

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, April 28, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (115 new fires)
New large fires:	3 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: **	25
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there are no large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

The 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs, CO and the 146th Air Wing, Channel Islands, CA are providing two each, MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel to the state of Texas. The aircraft and personnel are based at Dyess Air Force Base under the command of Colonel Jack Pittman.

Southern Area (PL 4)

New fires:	56
New large fires:	3
Uncontained large fires:	23
Type 1 IMT committed	2
Type 2 IMT committed	2

IMT 1 (Quesinberry) is assigned to manage large fires and provide support to initial attack operations for the West Branch Operational Area in Texas. Texas State IMT 2 (Hannemann) is managing existing and new fires located in Texas state initial attack zones. Florida IMT 2 (Graham) is managing existing and new fires for the East Branch Operational Area in Texas.

Rock House, Texas Forest Service. Fort Davis, TX. Grass. Extreme fire behavior. Residences threatened.

PK Complex (4 fires), Texas Forest Service. IMT 1 (Wilder). Sixteen miles northeast of Breckenridge, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Wildcat, Texas Forest Service. Nineteen miles southwest of Bronte, TX. Grass. Minimal fire activity. Numerous residences threatened.

Deton Cole, Texas Forest Service. Thirty-seven miles southwest of Ozona, TX. Brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Pleasant Farms, Texas Forest Service. Includes previously reported C Bar fire. Fifteen miles southwest of Odessa, TX. Hardwood slash, brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior with torching. Residences threatened.

Scott Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Sixteen miles northeast of Barnhart, TX. Hardwood slash, brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior with torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

Oasis Pipeline, Texas Forest Service. Four miles northwest of Telegraph, TX. Hardwood slash, brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior with torching and spotting. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Fuller, Texas Forest Service. Fifteen miles northwest of Snyder, TX. Grass. No further information received.

Spade Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Forty-three miles southwest of Lubbock, TX. Grass. No further information received.

Happy, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land eleven miles west of Happy, TX. Grass. No further information received.

Slope, Florida DOF. Twelve miles east of East Naples, FL. Southern rough. Active fire behavior with spotting. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

T Bar Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Twenty-four miles southwest of Lubbock, TX. Grass. No further information received.

Champion, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land five miles south of Colorado City, TX. Grass. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. Residences threatened. No further information received.

Hungryland, Florida DOF. Fourteen miles west of Jupiter, FL. Grass. No further information received.

Hutto, Florida DOF. Twelve miles northwest of Moore Haven, FL. Southern rough. No further information received.

Boys Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Seventeen miles northwest of Amarillo, TX. Grass. Residences threatened. No further information received.

3 Goats, Texas Forest Service. Nine miles southwest of Mason, TX. Hardwood slash and brush. Minimal fire activity. Residence threatened.

* **CR266**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles southeast of Realitos, TX. Grass. Residences threatened. No further information received.

* **Jay**, Merritt Island NWR. Twelve miles north of Cape Canaveral, FL. Southern rough. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Mathis, Texas Forest Service. Two miles north of Paducah, TX. Grass. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Rock House	TX	TXS	292,739	61,835	66	UNK	409	5	11	26	0	41	4.3M	ST
PK Complex	TX	TXS	126,734	0	94	UNK	620	-135	13	46	8	291	5.6M	ST
Wildcat	TX	TXS	159,308	0	90	UNK	0	-39	0	0	0	2	3.7M	ST
Deton Cole	TX	TXS	20,000	14,500	3	UNK	85	37	1	12	0	0	NR	ST
Pleasant Farms	TX	TXS	12,800	4,300	75	UNK	113	99	1	10	0	1	27K	ST
Scott Ranch	TX	TXS	10,000	8,000	40	UNK	41	28	0	5	0	0	234K	ST
Oasis Pipeline	TX	TXS	6,000	4,000	10	UNK	74	-17	1	7	0	0	117K	ST

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Fuller	TX	TXS	5,200	1,700	70	UNK	35	-31	1	4	0	0	NR	ST
Spade Ranch	TX	TXS	4,000	0	90	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Happy	TX	TXS	3,000	0	75	4/28	0	-12	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Slope	FL	FLS	1,769	1,269	35	UNK	13	0	0	1	1	1	NR	ST
T Bar Ranch	TX	TXS	1,500	0	90	UNK	0	-2	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Champion	TX	TXS	1,000	-600	75	4/28	17	0	0	5	0	3	NR	PRI
Hungryland	FL	FLS	900	0	90	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Hutto	FL	FLS	801	1	99	UNK	17	0	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
Boys Ranch	TX	TXS	500	0	85	UNK	0	-6	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
3 Goats	TX	TXS	453	0	95	UNK	0	-24	0	0	0	0	11K	ST
* CR266	TX	TXS	450	---	0	UNK	5	---	0	0	0	6	NR	ST
* Jay	FL	MIR	418	---	90	UNK	16	---	0	4	2	0	10K	FWS
Mathis	TX	TXS	300	0	90	UNK	0	-12	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Pipeline	TX	TXS	7,101	0	100	---	41	-1	2	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Taylor	TX	TXS	654	0	100	---	0	-29	0	0	0	0	15K	ST
* Hwy 255 East	TX	TXS	131	---	100	---	15	---	0	0	2	0	NR	ST

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 20
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2

Last Chance, Lincoln NF. Thirty-three miles southwest of Carlsbad, NM. Hardwood slash and brush. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened.

Abrams, Las Cruces Field Office, BLM. Six miles south of White Sands, NM. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with isolated torching.

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Last Chance	NM	LNF	49,140	9,880	60	5/1	252	1	7	17	2	1	1.5M	FS
Abrams	NM	LCD	7,419	719	25	4/30	174	30	6	7	2	0	300K	BLM
Martin 2	NM	N5S	24,781	-219	100	---	67	0	0	17	0	0	60K	ST

Predictive Services Discussion: Strong winds of 25 to 35 mph with gusts to 45 mph in the southern Plains coupled with low relative humidity below 15 percent will create critical fire weather conditions across west Texas, most of New Mexico and Arizona and the southern portion of California. Scattered rain and snow showers will move across the Pacific Northwest and into the northern Rockies. A strong storm system over the Great Lakes region will push a cold front across the Eastern Seaboard, producing scattered thunderstorms from New England to the Carolinas.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



**Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.**

NO COMMUNICATION LINK WITH CREW MEMBERS, SUPERVISORS & ADJOINING FORCES

Watchout Situation #7 is a danger that must be mitigated by maintaining good communications while working on fires. Firefighters must constantly ask themselves the following questions as situations change on the fireline:

- Can communications be established?
 - Talk about how communications are set up on fires.
 - Review situations where communications were a problem and what was done to fix the problem.
 - Do you need a repeater setup or can an experienced firefighter act as a human repeater?

- Is the communication triangle complete?
 - Review the communication triangle and where it comes up in the "10 Standard Fire Orders" and the "18 Watchout Situations."
 - Discuss ways that firefighters can maintain the communication triangle on the fireline.

- Reduce the risks
 - If the situation is complex, wait until communications are in place.
 - Talk about the fires where crews had to leave the line, didn't go out on the line, or something negative happened because communications were inadequate. Discuss what was done to establish communications.

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations
Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					5		5
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	19				1		20
	ACRES	128				10		138
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			0		22	1	23
	ACRES			32		982	0	1,014
Eastern Area	FIRES	9				5		14
	ACRES	20				10		30
Southern Area	FIRES			4		48	4	56
	ACRES			373		5,958	4	6,335
TOTAL	FIRES	28	0	4	0	78	5	115
	ACRES	148	0	405	0	6,965	4	7,522

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					37		37
	ACRES					19		19
Northwest	FIRES		2			12		14
	ACRES		8			41		49
Northern California	FIRES				3		14	17
	ACRES				2,076		3	2,079
Southern California	FIRES		16			197	10	223
	ACRES		25			957	2	984
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22		3		10		35
	ACRES	38		49		17		104
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11			11	2	24
	ACRES		5			2	0	7
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	17		3	4		25
	ACRES	10	1		0	95		106
Southwest	FIRES	241	71	6	8	255	102	683
	ACRES	1,285	18,843	147	112	230,581	43,021	293,989
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	124	8	17	1	166	29	345
	ACRES	2,215	14	1,492	2,269	133,748	3,107	142,845
Eastern Area	FIRES	164		19	12	1,683	148	2,026
	ACRES	136		1,271	70	18,434	14,012	33,923
Southern Area	FIRES	167		172	31	18,788	382	19,540
	ACRES	10,843		12,841	6,624	1,840,400	18,432	1,889,140
TOTAL	FIRES	719	125	217	58	21,163	687	22,969
	ACRES	14,527	18,896	15,800	11,151	2,224,294	78,577	2,363,245

Ten Year Average Fires	26,288
Ten Year Average Acres	859,131

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					200		200
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES			0			0	0
	ACRES			3,800			78	3,878
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	15						15
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		1					1
Eastern Area	FIRES	1				2		3
	ACRES	50				84		134
Southern Area	FIRES			3		4		7
	ACRES			648		736		1,384
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	3	0	6	0	12
	ACRES	65	1	4,448	0	1,020	78	5,612

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		3		4
	ACRES			20		430		450
Northwest	FIRES		26	3	1		67	97
	ACRES		2,771	245	6		2,023	5,045
Northern California	FIRES	1	15	5	14		76	111
	ACRES	12	306	13,440	68		1,778	15,604
Southern California	FIRES		5	7			53	65
	ACRES		570	551			877	1,998
Northern Rockies	FIRES	32	5	1		1	21	60
	ACRES	1,143	152	15		20	307	1,637
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		9	3	1	39	9	61
	ACRES		1,184	995	13	875	1,390	4,457
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	4	11
	ACRES		111	550		64	182	907
Southwest	FIRES	8	20	3	1		64	96
	ACRES	1,680	14,749	1,428	15		24,709	42,581
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	27	38	16	43	111	241
	ACRES	712	1,089	6,127	3,603	7,428	21,677	40,636
Eastern Area	FIRES	9		90	17	574	68	758
	ACRES	37,025		11,885	3,441	34,778	32,891	120,020
Southern Area	FIRES	39		136	15	968	602	1,760
	ACRES	7,632		65,745	10,082	192,519	577,260	853,238
TOTAL	FIRES	95	111	288	65	1,630	1,075	3,264
	ACRES	48,204	20,932	101,001	17,228	236,114	663,094	1,086,573

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

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