National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Friday, June 3, 2011 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (197 new fires)
New large fires:	14 (*)
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires: **	24
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	10

Nationally, there are 13 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.

Southwest (PL 4)

New fires:	8
New large fires:	6
Uncontained large fires:	11
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Horseshoe 2, Coronado NF. IMT 1 (Hughes) and IMT 1 (Thomas). Seven miles southwest of Portal, AZ. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Wallow, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. IMT 2 (Philbin) and IMT 1 (Reinarz). Twenty-three miles southwest of Alpine, AZ. Timber and grass. No new information.

* **Osha**, Carson NF. IMT 2 (Templin). Four miles east of Penasco, NM. Timber. Crown fire with long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Murphy, Coronado NF. Five miles east of Arivaca, AZ. Grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Bear, Cimarron District, New Mexico State Forestry. IMT 2 (Richardson). IMT is also managing the Purgatoire fire (Rocky Mountain Area). Twenty miles northeast of Raton, NM. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior.

* **Engineer**, Coconino NF. IMT 2 (Nelson). Six miles southwest of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Outbuildings threatened.

Miller, Gila NF. IMT 2 (Pierson). Twenty-five miles north of Silver City, NM. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

* **Riverside,** Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twelve miles southeast of Hondo, NM. Grass. Moderate fire behavior.

Empire 2, Safford District, BLM. Started on private land ten miles north of Sonoita, AZ. Grass. No further information received.

* Wells, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twelve miles east of Pinon, NM. Slash and brush. Running and spotting.

* **Durfee**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Fifty miles south of Winslow, AZ. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting.

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
Horseshoe 2	AZ	CNF	86,140	5,640	50	6/22	825	-10	18	36	7	0	24M	FS
Wallow	AZ	ASF	18,000		0	UNK	601		16	14	6	0	1.8M	FS
* Osha	NM	CAF	1,500		0	6/15	183		7	31	6	0	250K	FS
Murphy	AZ	CNF	15,436	7,636	15	6/7	202	5	12	11	2	0	370K	FS
Bear	NM	N2S	6,885	0	50	6/5	335	-16	11	18	3	2	1.2M	ST
* Engineer	AZ	COF	1,000		50	6/3	230		8	11	2	0	150K	FS
Miller	NM	GNF	88,835	0	95	6/15	255	-109	3	1	4	4	13.8M	FS
* Riverside	NM	N5S	1,742		50	6/3	77		3	3	0	0	127K	ST
Empire 2	AZ	SAD	611	0	90	6/3	54	0	0	8	0	0	90K	PRI
* Wells	NM	N5S	500		10	UNK	14		0	4	0	0	50K	ST
* Durfee	AZ	ASF	107		0	UNK	147		7	0	1	0	100K	FS
* Brown Lake	NM	ROD	968		100		36		0	12	0	0	20K	BLM

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Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	133
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	9
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

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

Honey Prairie, Okefenokee NWR. Transfer of command from Florida IMT 2 (Leneave) to IMT 1 (Wilder) will occur today. IMT is also managing the Race Pond fire. Five miles northeast of Fargo, GA. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity.

* **Tejano Canyon,** Texas Forest Service. Twelve miles west of Fort Davis, TX. Grass. Extreme fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened.

Pains Bay, Alligator River NWR. North Carolina IMT 2 (Hildreth). Nineteen miles south of Manns Harbor, NC. Timber and brush. Moderate fire activity. Numerous structures threatened.

Trail 3, Florida DOF. Six miles south of Indiantown, FL. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity.

Race Pond, Okefenokee NWR. Eleven miles south of Hoboken, GA. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Rocco, Texas Forest Service. Sixty-seven miles southwest of Fort Stockton, TX. Grass. Creeping and smoldering.

Gully Branch, Florida DOF. Sixteen miles north of Eastpoint, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

Pen Branch, Mississippi Forestry Commission. Six miles southeast of Derby, MS. Closed timber litter. No further information received.

Chainbreaker, National Forests in Mississippi. Nine miles southeast of McHenry, MS. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

Larkspur, Florida DOF. Three miles east of DeLand, FL. Southern rough. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. No further information received.

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Honey Prairie	GA	OKR	156,187	383	N/A	N/A	298	28	1	37	6	0	10.1M	FWS
* Tejano Canyon	ТΧ	TXS	1,000		10	UNK	138		2	14	2	0	NR	ST
Pains Bay	NC	ALR	29,479	0	80	UNK	236	14	0	29	4	0	6.8M	FWS
Trail 3	FL	FLS	4,200	2.700	60	UNK	7	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Race Pond	GA	OKR	8,782	-412	60	UNK	126	5	0	23	2	0	828K	FWS
Rocco	ТΧ	TXS	700	0	70	UNK	0	-21	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Gully Branch	FL	FLS	512	212	90	UNK	10	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Pen Branch	MS	MSS	615	0	90	UNK	5	0	0	1	0	0	17K	ST
Chainbreaker	MS	MNF	525	0	75	6/6	6	0	0	1	1	0	17K	FS
Larkspur	FL	FLS	310	-10	85	UNK	1	-13	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Friend Mountain	ТΧ	TXS	1,800	0	100		0	-40	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Buffalo	ТΧ	TXS	1,640	0	100		0	-13	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Whispering Pines	FL	FLS	1,110	10	100		1	-6	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Weight Station	ТΧ	TXS	450		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Little West	FL	FLS	320	0	100		1	0	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires:	2
New large fires:	6
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Hastings, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Allen) to IMT 1 (Kurth) will occur today. Fifteen miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Numerous structures threatened.

East Volkmar, Delta Area, Alaska DOF. Oregon IMT 2 (Sifford). Twenty-five miles northeast of Delta Junction, AK. Black spruce. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

Tatalina, Tanana Zone, BLM. Twenty-nine miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Hardwood slash and brush. Moderate fire activity.

* **Dish Mountain**, Southwest Area, Alaska DOF. Fifty miles west of McGrath, AK. Spruce and tundra. Backing fire with isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Kitalitna, Tanana Zone, BLM. Sixty-three miles northwest of Tanana, AK. Tundra. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* Fish River, Galena Zone, BLM. Twenty-five miles east of Buckhead, AK. Tundra. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Hochandochtla Mountain,** Galena Zone, BLM. Forty miles east of Huslia, AK. Spruce, slash, brush and tundra. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Gisasa River,** Galena Zone, BLM. Thirty miles west of Koyukuk, AK. Spruce, slash, brush and tundra. Backing fire with isolates single tree torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Chitanana,** Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty miles south of Tanana, AK. Mixed timber and grass. Backing with isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Gilahina, Valdez-Copper River Area, Alaska DOF. Twenty miles west of McCarthy, AK. Timber and tundra. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* Lloyd, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-two miles south of Tanana, AK. Timber. Backing fire. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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
Hastings	AK	FAS	5,805	371	0	UNK	363	29	19	0	1	2	979K	ST
East Volkmar	AK	DAS	41,000	2,000	8	6/15	231	20	9	0	4	0	1.9M	ST
Tatalina	AK	TAD	3,356	1,550	10	UNK	99	18	4	0	0	0	322K	BLM
* Dish Mountain	AK	SWS	25,000		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	18K	ST
Kitalitna	AK	TAD	22,500		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
* Fish River	AK	GAD	21,600		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	5K	BLM
* Hochandochtla Mountain	AK	GAD	5,000		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
* Gisasa River	AK	GAD	2,600		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
* Chitanana	AK	TAD	2,043		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Gilahina	AK	CRS	1,431		N/A	N/A	41		2	0	0	0	159K	ST
* Lloyd	AK	TAD	250		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires:	6
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Purgatoire, Las Animas County. Twenty-five miles southeast of Hoehne, CO. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Minimal fire activity.

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
Purgatoire	со	LSX	6140	0	75	6/6	97	4	4	4	0	0	152K	CNTY

Predictive Services Discussion: Near critical fire weather conditions associated with strong winds and low relative humidity will develop across parts of southern Colorado, Arizona, western and central New Mexico. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms will move across the Northwest and northern Rockies. Thunderstorms will develop ahead of a warm front moving into the upper Midwest. In Alaska, an approaching low will bring showers to the southwest. The interior will remain dry but cooler.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <u>http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm</u>



Today's discussion is from the Miscellaneous Category.

Radio Narrow banding

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies have been congressionally mandated to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrow banded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrow banded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.fireradios.net Another website that has programming instructions as well as pocket cards that can be printed is: www.fs.fed.us/fire/niicd/documents
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for vourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

References: Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaaka	FIRES		0	0	0	2		2
Alaska	ACRES		3,965	5	581	17,000		21,551
Nexternat	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		1			22	3	26
Southern California	ACRES		0			198	0	198
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					3		3
Lastern Great Dasin	ACRES					1		1
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					4	4	8
oounwest	ACRES					82	47,779	47,861
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3	2	6
	ACRES		0			236	27	263
Eastern Area	FIRES					16		16
Lasiciii Aida	ACRES					14		14
Southern Area	FIRES		ĺ	1		129	3	133
Soumern Area	ACRES			625		5,608	32	6,265
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	0	181	13	197
IUIAL	ACRES	0	3,965	630	581	23,139	47,838	76,153

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		13	7	2	252	1	275
	ACRES		30,523	28,641	1,441	109,435	0	170,040
Northwest	FIRES	1	6			19	8	34
Northwest	ACRES	0	9			43	11	63
Northern California	FIRES			3	3		24	30
	ACRES			0	2,076		4	2,080
Southern California	FIRES	2	131	3		714	81	931
	ACRES	1	991	1		3,437	1,350	5,780
Northern Rockies	FIRES	87		4	1	45	18	155
	ACRES	261		49	6	241	23	580
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		35	1		34	2	72
	ACRES		30	26		205	5	266
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	38	2	8	9	1	59
	ACRES	10	33	12	0	99	0	154
Southwest	FIRES	400	115	7	10	457	257	1,246
	ACRES	5,296	63,428	181	112	391,610	315,614	776,241
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	165	15	21	2	207	68	478
	ACRES	3,000	24	3,422	2,269	150,322	21,633	180,670
Eastern Area	FIRES	335		20	12	2,673	180	3,220
	ACRES	353		2,577	70	23,525	14,033	40,558
Southern Area	FIRES	203		193	48	21,948	491	22,883
	ACRES	11,287		44,543	45,024	1,989,759	20,681	2,111,294
TOTAL	FIRES	1,194	353	261	86	26,358	1,131	29,383
	ACRES	20,208	95,038	79,452	50,998	2,668,676	373,354	3,287,726

Ten Year Average Fires	28,669
Ten Year Average Acres	1,033,305

*** 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
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES	_						0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES				0		0	
	ACRES				1		2	3
Southern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES	_			<u> </u>		7	7
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES	_					250	250
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						60	60
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	1	0	319	320

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		11		12
	ACRES			20		5,715		5,735
Northwest	FIRES	1	34	3	1		85	124
	ACRES	1,152	5,342	245	42		4,033	10,814
Northern California	FIRES	9	16	8	17		105	155
	ACRES	52	381	18,196	135		3,330	22,094
Southern California	FIRES		7	10		2	62	81
	ACRES		580	1,963		16	1,548	4,107
Northern Rockies	FIRES	38	12	32	1	13	83	179
	ACRES	1,387	653	6,549	141	211	3,671	12,612
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	12	3	1	34	22	72
	ACRES	54	1,845	1,023	55	695	4,874	8,546
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	9	16
	ACRES		121	550		64	296	1,031
Southwest	FIRES	15	25	3	3		79	125
	ACRES	1,691	191,660	1,428	45		75,407	270,231
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	38	31	89	17	45	119	339
	ACRES	4,664	6,877	14,174	4,703	7,932	29,567	67,917
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		472	21	757	124	1,403
	ACRES	60,253		32,289	3,780	47,282	38,978	182,582
Southern Area	FIRES	39	ĺ	138	15	1,155	635	1,982
	ACRES	7,632		66,190	10,082	232,666	603,065	919,635
TOTAL	FIRES	169	141	760	76	2,019	1,323	4,488
	ACRES	76,885	207,459	142,627	18,983	294,581	764,769	1,505,304

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	6	845	119	1,295
Yukon Territory	2	5,762	28	18,584
Alberta	11	3	548	464,065
Northwest Territory	5	13	18	30
Saskatchewan	6	3,109	164	7,243
Manitoba	0	0	43	93
Ontario	3	0	176	1,463
Quebec	2	0	67	949
Newfoundland	0	0	17	66
New Brunswick	0	0	49	30
Nova Scotia	0	0	90	128
Prince Edward Island	0	0	1	1
National Parks	0	0	12	16,650
Total	35	9,731	1,332	510,597

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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