National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Saturday, June 4, 2011 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 3

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (249 new fires)
New large fires:	6 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: **	25
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	8

Nationally, there are 14 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:	10
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	9
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Wallow, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. IMT 1 (Reinarz) and IMT 2 (Philbin). Twenty-three miles southwest of Alpine, AZ. Timber and grass. Extreme fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Horseshoe 2, Coronado NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Hughes) to IMT 1 (Thomas) will occur on 6/5. Seven miles southwest of Portal, AZ. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with crown fire in canyons. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Osha, Carson NF. IMT 2 (Templin). Four miles east of Penasco, NM. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Murphy, Coronado NF. IMT 2 (Nelson). 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. Minimal fire activity.

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

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

Durfee, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Fifty miles south of Winslow, AZ. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Wells, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twelve miles east of Pinon, NM. Slash and brush. No new information.

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
Wallow	AZ	ASF	120,600	102,600	0	UNK	1,089	0	29	60	5	5	3.2M	FS
Horseshoe 2	AZ	CNF	90,200	4,060	50	6/22	859	34	19	42	9	0	25M	FS
Osha	NM	CAF	700	-700	15	6/15	519	336	15	36	6	0	450K	FS
Murphy	AZ	CNF	21,000	5,564	15	6/7	203	1	12	11	2	0	864K	FS
Bear	NM	N2S	6,885	0	90	6/4	310	-25	9	9	1	2	1.7M	ST
Miller	NM	GNF	88,835	0	95	6/9	230	-25	2	1	3	4	14.3M	FS
Riverside	NM	N5S	4,500	2,758	60	6/5	160	83	6	3	1	0	183K	ST
Durfee	AZ	ASF	107	0	80	6/4	147	0	7	0	1	0	150K	FS
Wells	NM	N5S	500	0	UNK	UNK	14	0	0	4	0	0	50K	ST
* Cortese River	NM	N5S	700		100		40		0	4	0	0	11K	ST
Empire 2	AZ	SAD	611	0	100		0	-54	0	0	0	0	95K	PRI
Engineer	AZ	COF	601	-399	100		79	-151	3	6	0	0	250K	FS

SAD - Safford District, BLM COF - Coconino NF

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	192
New large fires:	4
Uncontained large fires:	12
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

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. IMT 1 (Wilder). IMT is also managing the Race Pond fire. Five miles northeast of Fargo, GA. 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.

Tejano Canyon, Texas Forest Service. Twelve miles west of Fort Davis, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior. 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. Structures threatened.

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

* Sherrod, Texas Forest Service. Nineteen miles south of Big Spring, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

* Douglas Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Seven miles south of Electra, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

* **Dam B,** Texas Forest Service. Eleven miles southwest of Jasper, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Evacuations in effect.

* **Snyder**, Texas Forest Service. Forty-six miles northeast of Abilene, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

Rocco, Texas Forest Service. Sixty-seven miles southwest of Fort Stockton, TX. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

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

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

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

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Honey Prairie	GA	OKR	157,173	986	N/A	N/A	319	21	0	37	4	0	10.5M	FWS
Race Pond	GA	OKR	7,792	-990	60	UNK	148	22	1	23	3	0	1.1M	FWS
Tejano Canyon	ТΧ	TXS	4,000	3,000	10	UNK	183	45	2	23	2	0	NR	ST
Pains Bay	NC	ALR	29,479	0	85	UNK	236	0	0	40	4	0	7.2	FWS
Trail 3	FL	FLS	4,900	700	60	UNK	7	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Sherrod	ТΧ	TXS	5,000		50	UNK	33		0	6	0	0	NR	ST
* Douglas Ranch	ТΧ	TXS	1,800		0	UNK	33		0	6	0	0	NR	ST
* Dam B	ТΧ	TXS	500		10	UNK	9		0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Snyder	ТΧ	TXS	300		0	UNK	34		0	4	1	0	NR	ST
Rocco	ТΧ	TXS	700	0	70	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Gully Branch	FL	FLS	512	0	90	UNK	10	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Chainbreaker	MS	MNF	525	0	75	6/6	6	0	0	1	1	0	18.5K	FS
Pen Branch	MS	MSS	615	0	90	UNK	5	0	0	1	0	0	17K	ST
Larkspur	FL	FLS	320	10	100		0	-1	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Alaska Area (PL 3)

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

Hastings, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 1 (Kurth). Fifteen miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior. 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. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Little Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-six miles south of Tanana, AK. Hardwood slash, brush and tundra. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

McCord Creek, Upper Yukon District, BLM. Seven miles east of Livengood, AK. Timber, brush and tundra. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Bull Creek**, Yukon Flats NWR. Ninety-three miles north of Fairbanks, AK. Timber and tundra. Moderate fire activity. 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	7,350	1,545	0	UNK	475	112	20	4	1	2	1.6M	ST
East Volkmar	AK	DAS	34,000	-7000	8	6/15	243	12	9	0	4	0	2.8M	ST
Tatalina	AK	TAD	3,268	-88	30	UNK	137	38	6	0	0	0	514K	BLM
Little Creek	AK	TAD	12,222	7,222	N/A	N/A	34	2	1	0	2	0	267K	BLM
McCord Creek	AK	UYD	3,497		N/A	N/A	11		0	1	0	0	54K	ST
* Bull Creek	AK	UYD	563		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	NR	FWS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires:	2
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.

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Purgatoire	со	LSX	6,140	0	90	6/6	104	7	4	4	0	0	250K	CNTY

Predictive Services Discussion: Near critical to critical fire weather conditions associated with strong winds and low relative humidity will develop over parts of southern Nevada, northern Arizona and northwest New Mexico. An upper low off the West Coast will bring rain to much of northern and central California. Isolated thunderstorms will develop over parts of eastern Arizona and western New Mexico. A cold front will produce showers and thunderstorms from the Great Lakes region to the central Plains and into northeast New Mexico. In Alaska, low pressure near the Aleutians will bring rain to the west and southwest coasts. The interior will be slightly cooler with a few showers developing in the afternoon.

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



Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.

HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SELECTION

Consider the following points when selecting a landing area for a helicopter:

- Locate a flat area that is of sufficient size for the helicopter you are expecting to land.
 - Type I -- Clear and level touchdown pad measuring 30 feet by 30 feet; safety circle measuring 110 feet in diameter.
 - Type II -- Clear and level touchdown pad measuring 20 feet by 20 feet; safety circle measuring 90 feet in diameter.
 - Type III -- Clear and level touchdown pad measuring 15 feet by 15 feet; safety circle measuring 75 feet in diameter.
- Choose an area clear of people, vehicles, and obstructions such as trees, poles, and especially overhead wires.
- The area must be free of stumps, brush, posts, large rocks or anything over 18 inches high.
- Consider the wind direction. Helicopters land and take off into the wind.
- Choose an approach free of obstructions. Any obstruction should be relayed to the helicopter crew during initial radio contact.
- Remove or secure any loose items in and around the landing area such as trash, blankets, hats, or equipment.
- Wet down the landing area if dusty conditions are present.

References:

Incident Response Pocket Guide Fireline Handbook Interagency Helicopter Operations Guide (IHOG)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0			8		8
Λιασιτα	ACRES		3,494			16,176		19,670
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES	_	1			29	2	32
	ACRES		0			336	163	499
Northern Rockies	FIRES	_						0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	_						0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	4	2			2	2	10
	ACRES	20	1			104	77,124	77,249
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	_	1			1		2
	ACRES		0			0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					11		11
Southern Area	FIRES					190	2	192
	ACRES					2,091	81	2,172
TOTAL	FIRES	4	4	0	0	235	6	249
	ACRES	20	3,495	0	0	18,718	77,368	99,601

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		13	7	2	260	1	283
	ACRES		34,017	28,641	1,441	125,611	0	189,710
Northwest	FIRES	1	6			19	9	35
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	132	3		743	83	963
	ACRES	1	991	1		3,917	1,513	6,423
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	404	117	7	10	459	259	1,256
	ACRES	5,316	63,429	181	112	391,714	392,339	853,091
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	165	16	21	2	208	67	479
	ACRES	3,000	24	3,422	2,269	150,322	21,608	180,645
Eastern Area	FIRES	335		20	12	2,679	180	3,226
	ACRES	353		2,577	70	23,537	14,033	40,570
Southern Area	FIRES	203		193	48	22,136	493	23,073
	ACRES	11,287		44,543	45,024	1,992,103	20,762	2,113,719
TOTAL	FIRES	1,198	357	261	86	26,592	1,137	29,631
	ACRES	20,228	98,533	79,452	50,998	2,687,792	450,298	3,387,301

Ten Year Average Fires	31,587
Ten Year Average Acres	1,364,420

*** 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			2	2
	ACRES	_		231			48	279
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES	_					2	2
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	_					75	75
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES	-				50	55	105
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	4	5
	ACRES	0	0	231	0	50	180	461

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		107	157
	ACRES	52	381	18,427	135		3,378	22,373
Southern California	FIRES		7	10		2	62	81
	ACRES		580	1,963		16	1,550	4,109
Northern Rockies	FIRES	38	12	33	1	13	83	180
	ACRES	1,387	653	6,917	141	211	3,671	12,980
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	125	1,404
	ACRES	60,253		32,289	3,780	47,282	39,033	182,637
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	761	76	2,019	1,326	4,492
	ACRES	76,885	207,459	143,226	18,983	294,581	764,874	1,506,008

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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	0	5,114	119	6,409
Yukon Territory	0	4,888	28	23,472
Alberta	19	47,883	567	511,948
Northwest Territory	1	0	19	30
Saskatchewan	3	0	167	7,243
Manitoba	1	0	44	93
Ontario	6	5	182	1,468
Quebec	3	1	70	950
Newfoundland	0	0	17	66
New Brunswick	1	2	50	32
Nova Scotia	1	0	91	129
Prince Edward Island	0	0	1	1
National Parks	0	0	12	16,650
Total	35	57,893	1,367	568,490

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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