National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Friday, March 18, 2016 – 0800 MT National Preparedness Level 1

National Fire Activity (Mar. 11 - Mar. 17)

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:546New large incidents:9Uncontained large fires:4

- * Mini Post Lane, Texas A & M Forest Service. Started on private land 13 miles southwest of Channing, TX. Tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior.
- * Canadian Oxbow, Oklahoma DOF. Six miles southeast of Mooreland, OK. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and flanking.

Katie, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles southwest of Dustin, OK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	ze	%	Ctn/	Est	Pers	onnel	R	esourc	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
incident Name	Offic	Acres	Chge	/0	Comp	ESI	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Maker	OK-OSA	1,090		80	Ctn	3/25	24		0	5	0	0	15K	BIA
* Mini Post Lane	TX-TXS	860		98	Ctn	UNK	14		0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* Canadian Oxbow	OK-OKS	804		75	Ctn	UNK	38		0	12	0	0	4K	ST
Katie	OK-OKS	1,630	0	65	Ctn	UNK	0	-30	0	0	0	0	9K	ST
Mustang	OK-OSA	11,257	0	100	Ctn		3	-19	0	1	0	0	83K	BIA
* County Line Road	NC-NCS	980		100	Ctn		18		0	9	0	0	9K	ST
* Tech	OK-ECU	678		100	Ctn		8		0	3	0	0	3K	ST
* Clark	OK-OKS	327		100	Ctn		2		0	1	0	0	16K	ST
* Boiling Springs Road	NC-NCS	331		100	Ctn		0		0	0	0	0	15K	ST
* French	SC-FMF	161		100	Ctn		0		0	0	0	0	23K	FS
* Gunlock	KY-KYS	124		100	Ctn		28		3	0	0	0	4K	PRI

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

^{*} **Maker**, Osage Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Prue, OK. Tall grass and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	33
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Boss Ranch, Coronado NF. Nineteen miles northeast of Douglas, AZ. Tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	ze	%	Ctn/	Est	Perso	onnel	R	esource	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
incident Name		Acres	Chge	/0	Comp	250	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Boss Ranch	AZ-CNF	1,253	0	98	Ctn	UNK	12	-67	0	2	1	0	100K	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

New fires:	1
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Cherry, Miles City Field Office, BLM. Started on county land 23 miles northwest of Terry, MT. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	Size %		Ctn/	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
		Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Cherry	MT-MCD	440	0	50	Ctn	UNK	0	-7	0	0	0	0	5K	CNTY

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires:20New large incidents:3Uncontained large fires:0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
moident Name	Offic	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Marion Upland Road	KS-MNX	600		100	Ctn		53		0	17	0	0	5K	C&L
* Rourke 2	WY-BFD	453		100	Ctn		8		0	4	0	0	75K	BLM
* Tabor Rec Area	SD-SDS	350		100	Ctn		49		0	11	0	0	10K	ST

MNX – Marion County

BFD - Buffalo Field Office, BLM

SDS- South Dakota Wildland Fire Suppression

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires:4New large incidents:1Uncontained large fires:0

Incident Name		Unit	Siz	ze	% Ctn/		Est -	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
incluent Name	Acres		Chge	Comp	Total	Chge		Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own		
	* Sooy Road	NJ-NJS	347		100	Ctn		26		0	6	1	0	15K	ST

NJS - New Jersey Forest Fire Service

Active	Incid	lent Resource Si	ummar	у		
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
oscc	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	2	1,278	3	4	1	99
RMCC	3	1,403	0	32	0	110
EACC	2	348	0	12	1	41
SACC	19	18,286	14	35	1	204
Total	26	21,315	17	83	3	454

Fires and Acres Last Week (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Alaska Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Northern Camornia Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	16	0	16
Southern California Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northern Rockies Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	80	1	81
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Great Basili Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southwest Area	FIRES	22	2	0	1	3	5	33
Southwest Area	ACRES	31	3	0	15	3	1	53
Decky Mountain Area	FIRES	7	0	0	0	11	2	20
Rocky Mountain Area	ACRES	55	0	0	0	603	0	658
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
Eastelli Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	210	0	4	214
Couthorn Area	FIRES	1	0	0	1	527	17	546
Southern Area	ACRES	2	0	0	1	6,522	382	6,907
TOTAL FIRES:		30	2	0	3	564	27	626
TOTAL ACRES:		88	3	0	226	7,227	388	7,932

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	3	0	0	6	0	9
Alaska Alea	ACRES	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
Northwest Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	65	8	73
Northern California Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	6,104	3	6,107
Southern California Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	189	20	211
Southern Camornia Area	ACRES	5	0	0	0	44	2	51
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	23	3	0	0	83	2	111
Notthern Rockies Alea	ACRES	67	49	0	0	787	2	905
Great Basin Area	FIRES	4	10	3	2	11	2	32
Great Basiii Area	ACRES	4	30	0	0	9	1	44
Southwest Area	FIRES	99	23	0	4	101	41	268
Southwest Alea	ACRES	1,377	6,936	0	3,374	14,745	9,153	35,585
Pooley Mountain Area	FIRES	67	4	0	2	77	15	165
Rocky Mountain Area	ACRES	452	8	1	0	50,729	396	51,586
Eastern Area	FIRES	7	0	1	6	316	80	410
Lasielli Alea	ACRES	4	0	19	702	1,262	3,323	5,310
Southorn Arcs	FIRES	182	0	5	2	5,043	166	5,398
Southern Area	ACRES	55,929	0	4	1	117,451	16,688	190,073
TOTAL FIRES:		384	43	9	16	5,892	337	6,681
TOTAL ACRES:		57,838	7,024	24	4,077	191,132	29,568	289,663

Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)	9,967
Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)	360,608

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Alaska Alea	ACRES	0	350	0	0	0	0	350
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Northwest Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Northern Camornia Area	ACRES	0	0	0	2	0	14	16
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Southern Camornia Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	99	99
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
Notthern Rockies Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	6	0	0	6
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	1	1	0	0	2	5
Gleat Basili Alea	ACRES	20	1	0	0	20	192	233
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	6	7
Southwest Area	ACRES	376	0	0	0	0	4,113	4,489
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	4	3	1	0	4	12
Nocky Mountain Area	ACRES	0	44	2,242	2	0	101	2,389
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	6	7
Lasterii Area	ACRES	0	0	100	0	0	2,020	2,120
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	3	2	1,055	36	1,096
Southern Area	ACRES	0	0	2,420	1,750	61,003	35,535	100,708
TOTAL FIRES:		2	6	8	7	1,055	156	1,234
TOTAL ACRES:		396	395	4,762	1,760	61,023	42,079	110,415

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	350	0	0	0	38	388
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	9	0	0	0	9	18
	ACRES	0	964	0	0	0	249	1,213
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	1	2	4	0	73	82
	ACRES	27	90	187	18	0	2,953	3,275
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	2	2	0	0	85	89
	ACRES	0	9	80	0	0	2,815	2,904
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	7	5	0	3	0	6	21
	ACRES	5,556	3,188	0	6	0	332	9,082
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	13	4	7	9	16	50
	ACRES	20	1,316	225	133	62	1,489	3,245
Southwest Area	FIRES	4	22	1	3	1	46	77
	ACRES	757	16,104	25	25	2	11,395	28,308
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	7	23	11	3	22	51	117
	ACRES	306	1,048	5,661	226	649	21,920	29,810
Eastern Area	FIRES	5	0	17	4	216	27	269
	ACRES	15,786	0	854	671	16,129	11,400	44,840
Southern Area	FIRES	7	0	97	26	5,358	572	6,060
	ACRES	892	0	77,358	9,171	356,144	517,550	961,115
TOTAL FIRES:		33	76	134	50	5,606	886	6,785
TOTAL ACRES:		23,344	23,069	84,390	10,250	372,986	570,141	1,084,180

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

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

Predictive Services Discussion: The weather pattern this weekend will feature a warm and dry high pressure system over the western U.S. including southern California and the southwest. Meanwhile, a broad trough of low pressure east of the Rockies will provide stormy conditions focused along cold frontal boundaries. In particular, a stationary front will bring more rainfall to the Gulf Coast and southeast regions where flooding concerns persist. Another storm system will progress from the mid-west through the mid-Atlantic and northeast with a spring mix of precipitation, including heavy wet snowfall. By mid-week this pattern will transition to more of a westerly, zonal flow with relatively neutral conditions over much of the Nation. In the west next week warm, dry and breezy conditions will re-develop over the southwest, while another round of mountain snowfall and valley rain will fall over the Pacific Northwest.



TRANSFER OF COMMAND

Operational Engagement Category

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.
- Not all Resources know who is in command.

Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.
- Transition at the morning briefing
- Utilize the Incident Response Pocket Guide transition checklist