

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, May 21, 2018 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial Attack Activity: Light (64) new fires
 New large incidents: 1
 Large fires contained: 4
 Uncontained large fires:** 3
 Area Command teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 5 large fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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

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

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	1	117	0	0	0	5
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	1	1,261	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	1	110	0	1	0	14
SWCC	6	52,604	6	15	0	159
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	1	1,300	0	2	0	17
SACC	14	187,032	1	15	4	249
Total	24	242,424	7	33	4	444

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 20
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 4

Happy, Northwest District, Arizona DOF. Nineteen miles north of Bagdad, AZ. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Tinder, Coconino, NF. Twenty miles northeast of Pine, AZ. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area and trail closures in effect. No new information.

Rattlesnake, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. Twenty-four miles southwest of Alpine, AZ. Timber, heavy logging slash and short grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Pinery, Southeast District, Arizona DOF. Six miles southwest of Hilltop, AZ. Timber and brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Happy	AZ-A5S	1,700	0	80	Ctn	5/21	7	0	0	0	0	0	30K	ST
Tinder	AZ-COF	16,309	---	95	Ctn	5/31	20	---	0	5	0	96	7.1M	FS
Rattlesnake	AZ-FTA	26,072	---	96	Ctn	5/26	4	---	0	1	0	0	11.3M	BIA
Pinery	AZ-A3S	1,200	---	80	Ctn	UNK	84	---	4	0	0	0	750K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
San Luis	NM-N3S	20,586	0	100	Comp	---	12	-11	1	1	0	0	264K	ST

N3S - Socorro District, New Mexico State Forestry

Southern Area (PL 2)

New Fires: 2
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Hardin 20:46	TX-TXS	150	---	100	Ctn	---	2	---	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
Mallard	TX-TXS	75,530	0	100	Ctn	---	35	-85	0	2	0	1	7M	PRI
Caldwell	TX-TXS	2,450	0	100	Ctn	---	6	-24	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Avian Complex	FL-BCP	82,461	0	45	Comp	5/31	161	-20	1	5	3	9	10.1M	NPS
Tye River	VA-VAF	2,057	0	80	Comp	5/21	5	0	0	1	0	0	335K	FS
CN 346-B	AL-ALF	478	0	80	Comp	6/30	9	0	0	2	0	0	15K	FS

TXS - Texas A&M Forest Service BCP - Big Cypress National Preserve, NPS VAF - George Washington & Jefferson NF
 ALF - National Forests in Alabama

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Southern California Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	29	0	30
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	320	0	320
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	4	0	0	0	1	5
	ACRES	0	60	0	0	0	0	60
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	6	0	0	3	10	20
	ACRES	0	34	0	0	3,069	70	3,173
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
TOTAL FIRES:		2	10	0	0	38	14	64
TOTAL ACRES:		0	94	0	0	3,398	75	3,567

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	10	0	0	43	7	60
	ACRES	0	2	0	0	166	1	169
Northwest Area	FIRES	23	16	3	0	144	42	228
	ACRES	254	134	1,507	0	271	26	2,192
Northern California Area	FIRES	3	7	0	0	396	44	450
	ACRES	1	10	0	0	401	321	733
Southern California Area	FIRES	10	4	0	3	912	66	995
	ACRES	13	42	0	252	7,557	20	7,884
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	297	1	0	0	46	19	363
	ACRES	2,146	1	0	0	664	20	2,831
Great Basin Area	FIRES	6	83	0	10	140	23	262
	ACRES	102	916	0	35	3,485	183	4,721
Southwest Area	FIRES	289	74	4	10	346	257	980
	ACRES	27,577	1,984	215	3,288	212,250	40,045	285,359
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	87	35	6	4	240	45	417
	ACRES	2,098	79	1,712	7	184,738	210	188,844
Eastern Area	FIRES	404	0	3	11	2,474	270	3,162
	ACRES	4,009	0	21	179	14,743	7,002	25,954
Southern Area	FIRES	392	67	27	32	14,648	247	15,413
	ACRES	115,064	310	2,622	18,869	947,217	22,440	1,106,522
TOTAL FIRES:		1,511	297	43	70	19,389	1,020	22,330
TOTAL ACRES:		151,264	3,478	6,077	22,630	1,371,492	70,268	1,625,209

Ten Year Average Fires (2008 – 2017 as of today)	23,470
Ten Year Average Acres (2008 – 2017 as of today)	1,113,698

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	2,000
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	90	90
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,402	0	1,402
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	0	0	4	0	4
TOTAL ACRES:		0	2,000	0	0	1,403	90	3,493

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

Areas		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	3	0	11	1	15
	ACRES	0	0	56	0	35,666	70	35,792
Northwest Area	FIRES	20	27	9	6	0	144	206
	ACRES	2,187	5,483	4,497	413	0	42,518	55,098
Northern California Area	FIRES	3	3	7	11	0	118	142
	ACRES	107	1,792	7,434	437	0	16,795	26,565
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	2	3	1	0	118	124
	ACRES	0	65	405	40	0	11,519	12,029
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	8	13	22	3	2	90	138
	ACRES	2,846	12,437	7,354	12,203	116	12,979	47,935
Great Basin Area	FIRES	2	18	2	4	31	70	127
	ACRES	75	2,239	40	67	2,420	18,896	23,737
Southwest Area	FIRES	10	15	6	4	1	94	130
	ACRES	1,676	12,963	194	836	51	62,701	78,421
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	11	36	22	9	37	110	225
	ACRES	223	3,889	12,434	263	7,508	45,339	69,656
Eastern Area	FIRES	51	0	127	29	771	209	1,187
	ACRES	31,720	0	19,272	7,669	69,944	68,103	196,708
Southern Area	FIRES	68	0	141	33	55,725	937	56,904
	ACRES	18,760	0	117,763	106,832	2,276,932	947,436	3,467,723
TOTAL FIRES:		173	114	342	100	56,578	1,891	59,198
TOTAL ACRES:		57,594	38,868	169,449	128,760	2,392,637	1,226,356	4,013,664

*** 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/>

Canadian Fires and Hectacres

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTACRES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO- DATE	HECTACRES YEAR- TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	165	1,964
YUKON TERRITORY	1	7	8	2,659
ALBERTA	18	5	320	1,339
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	1	0
SASKATCHEWAN	4	1,129	166	10,860
MANITOBA	16	193	147	11,412
ONTARIO	5	9	161	342
QUEBEC	14	29	133	111
NEWFOUNDLAND	9	3	45	89
NEW BRUNSWICK	17	23	121	137
NOVA SCOTIA	4	0	81	150
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	8	10
NATIONAL PARKS	3	0	12	17,163
TOTALS	91	1,398	1,368	46,236

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Prescribed Service Discussion: The trough of low pressure along the West coast of California will further develop into a disorganized area of low pressure that will move on shore and past the coastal ranges by afternoon. Most states across the West will experience at least isolated convection during the afternoon and evening period except possibly Arizona and the western half of New Mexico. In the East, the remnants of the tropical low pressure area will drift southward into northern Georgia and will continue to produce wet conditions along the Atlantic Coast. In Alaska, strong and cold low pressure will move north and from the southern Gulf of Alaska toward the coast and will spread low-mid elevation rain and high elevation snow into the interior of the state. Most precipitation, however, should remain south of the Alaska Range.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



Common Denominators Of Fire Behavior On Tragedy Fires

Weather / Fire Behavior Category

Five common denominators that contribute to accidents/incidents have been identified through studies of tragedy fires. It is important for firefighters to readily recognize the following common denominators so that future tragedies can be prevented:

- Most incidents happen on smaller fires or on isolated portions of larger fires.
- Most fires are innocent in appearance before unexpected shifts in wind direction and/or speed results in flare-ups or extreme fire behavior. In some cases, tragedies occur in the mop-up stage.
- Flare-ups generally occur in deceptively light fuels, such as grass and light brush.
- Fires run uphill surprisingly fast in chimneys, saddles, gullies, and on steep slopes.
- Some suppression tools, such as helicopters or air tankers, can adversely affect fire behavior. The blasts of air from low-flying helicopters and air tankers have been known to cause flare-ups.

Discussion Points

- Talk about some instances in which you have been in any of the above situations/ experienced any of the over common denominators.
- Discuss the frequency of the above situations on a fire, speak about complacency towards the end of a shift/fire season. Come up with examples of ways to combat and/or deal with situations in which you are involved in a common denominator situation.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations](#)

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide](#)

[Common Denominators PowerPoint](#)

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