### National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Monday, April 26, 2021 – 0730 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

## National Fire Activity (April 23,2021 - April 25, 2021):

Initial attack activity:	Light (254 fires)
New large incidents:	4
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: ***	6
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there is 1 fire being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Link** to Understanding the IMSR.

This report will be posted Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.

IMT 2 (NW Team 6) has been assigned in support of Oregon state COVID-19 response operations.

		Active I	ncident	Resourc	e Summar	у	
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	
NWCC	1	1,641	0	3	0	7	-16
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
oscc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	1	1,192	0	6	0	21	-39
SWCC	5	7,441	14	20	3	453	100
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10
EACC	1	200	1	17	2	143	143
SACC	10	1,302	1	17	3	123	26
Total	18	11,776	16	63	8	747	204

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

### Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	15
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1

<sup>\*</sup> Flag, Colorado River District, BLM. IMT 1 (SW Team 1) mobilizing. Twelve miles southeast of Kingman, AZ. Chaparral and timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, wind-driven runs and spotting. Numerous residences and communication infrastructure threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Jack**, Coronado NF, USFS. Ten miles southwest of Portal, AZ. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Bonito Rock**, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles southeast of Whiteriver, AZ. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and isolated torching. Road closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	:e	%	Ctn/	Est	Perso	nnel	R	esourc	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
modent Name	Offic	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	5	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Flag	AZ-CRD	400	-	0	Ctn	5/1	75		1	11	0	0	250K	BLM
Jack	AZ-CNF	1,856	-144	60	Ctn	4/28	110	-12	4	1	2	0	1.7M	FS
Bonito Rock	AZ-FTA	1,800	500	10	Ctn	5/21	194	64	6	5	2	0	868K	BIA
Larg	e Fires Beir	ng Manage	ed with a	Strateg	y Other T	han Ful	I Suppres	sion With	out a T	ype 1	or 2 IM	T Assiç	gned	
South Rim 4	TX-BBP	1,341		90	Comp	UNK	38		1	2	0	0	1.1M	NPS

BBP - Big Bend National Park, NPS

## Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	73
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

\* **Brittle**, Huron-Manistee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (EA Gold Team). Five miles northeast of Hale, MI. Timber. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	% Ctn/ Comp	- I Fst			Personnel		Resources			\$\$	Origin
moident Name	5	Acres	Chge	70		LSL	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own	
* Brittle	MI-HMF	200		35	Ctn	4/30	143		1	17	2	0	250K	FS	

#### Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:90New large incidents:2Uncontained large fires:2

- \* Long Branch, Cherokee NF, USFS. Eighteen miles southeast of Madisonville, TN. Hardwood litter and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Trail closures in effect.
- \* Mill Creek, Cherokee NF, USFS. Ten miles east of Newport, TN. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	Ctn/	Est	Perso	nnel	R	esourc	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
moident Name	Onit	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Long Branch	TN-CNF	700		70	Ctn	4/27	0		0	0	0	0	125K	FS
* Mill Creek	TN-CNF	263		25	Ctn	5/7	61		1	4	3	0	221K	FS
Meadow Creek	TN-CNF	360	0	100	Ctn		0	0	0	0	0	0	250K	FS
Wire Rd	GA-GAS	313	0	100	Ctn		2	-3	0	0	0	0	12K	ST

GAS – Georgia Forestry Commission

# **Great Basin (PL 1)**

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

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	% Ctn/		Ctn/ Est		Personnel		Resources			\$\$	Origin
moident Name	5	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Lavaside	ID-4BN	1,192	692	100	Ctn		21	-39	0	6	0	1	85K	CNTY

<sup>4</sup>BN – Bingham County

# Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires:9New large incidents:0Uncontained large fires:0

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	% Ctn/		Perso	nnel	R	esourc	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
modern rame	Offic	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	Est -	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Ponina	OR-982S	1,641	0	100	Ctn		7	-16	0	3	0	0	300K	ST

982S - Lake Unit, Oregon DOF

# Fires and Acres (by Protection) (April 23, 2021 – April 25, 2021):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alacka Arac	FIRES	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Alaska Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	7	1	9
Northwest Area	ACRES	0	21	0	0	48	0	69
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	25	1	26
Northern Callionna Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	12	0	12
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	2	0	0	34	0	36
Southern California Area	ACRES	0	3	0	0	104	0	107
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Northern Rockies Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great basin Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	4	5	0	0	2	4	15
Southwest Area	ACRES	1	500	0	0	42	9	553
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	19	0	1	0	50	3	73
Lastelli Alea	ACRES	35	0	5	0	162	5	207
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	86	4	90
Southern Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	470	77	547
TOTAL FIRES:		23	9	1	0	208	13	254
TOTAL ACRES:		36	524	5	0	841	92	1,499

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaaka Araa	FIRES	0	3	0	0	4	0	7
Alaska Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northwest Area	FIRES	35	12	1	0	293	15	356
Northwest Alea	ACRES	194	106	0	0	2,282	699	3,282
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	594	61	657
Northern Camornia Area	ACRES	2	0	0	0	1,615	179	1,796
Southern California Area	FIRES	5	30	1	3	825	90	954
Southern California Area	ACRES	5	219	1	6	1,371	1,295	2,897
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	376	7	1	0	273	66	723
Northern Rockies Area	ACRES	19,555	51	22	0	9,991	13,749	43,368
Great Basin Area	FIRES	10	80	1	4	137	15	247
Gleat Basiii Alea	ACRES	2,301	7,101	0	4	5,191	100	14,698
Southwest Area	FIRES	157	45	4	5	150	111	472
Southwest Alea	ACRES	8,164	772	0	1,346	6,029	3,795	20,107
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	46	10	2	3	104	17	182
Rocky Wouldain Area	ACRES	2,121	35	1,244	305	68,374	2,723	74,803
Factors Area	FIRES	230	0	12	8	3,515	227	3,992
Eastern Area	ACRES	6,451	0	13,200	532	18,265	8,842	47,290
Couthorn Arcs	FIRES	367	0	42	21	8,421	280	9,131
Southern Area	ACRES	28,677	0	8,879	6,297	161,458	20,708	226,020
TOTAL FIRES:		1,228	187	64	44	14,316	882	16,721
TOTAL ACRES:		67,470	8,285	23,346	8,490	274,580	52,092	434,266

Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)	15,345
Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)	855,193

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

<u>Predictive Services Discussion:</u> A broad, deep upper-level trough will move over the West Coast today. Widespread critical fire weather conditions are expected from eastern Arizona to west Texas and northward through the Four Corners and onto the central High Plains ahead of this trough. Lingering precipitation will continue over portions of the West Coast with better coverage across the Intermountain West, especially in the mountains, with precipitation encroaching onto the western periphery of Red Flag Warnings later in the day and night. Dry and breezy conditions will result in elevated to locally critical conditions in portions of New England in a post-frontal environment. Rain and snow are also likely in the western Great Lakes and Upper Midwest. Upper-level ridging with above normal temperatures will continue for most of Alaska.

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

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <a href="https://gacc.nifc.gov/">https://gacc.nifc.gov/</a>



# **Working with Helicopter Drops**

Aviation Category

Consider the following questions when you have a helicopter with a bucket working in your area:

- Is the helicopter a Type 1? For larger helicopters, increase the distance ground personnel must standby from the drop zone.
- How might you use helicopter drops to knock down or secure a fire area that poses a direct threat to escaping control lines or climbing ladder fuels?
- Do you have good communications?
- Does the pilot have a clear understanding of the target?
- Are there trees and/or snags in the drop zone?
- Are ground crews clear of the area?
- How will the winds affect the mission?
- What is the turnaround time for the helicopter from drop zone to fill site?
- Are people on the ground aware of the effects of the helicopter's rotor wash?
- Are you providing feedback to the pilot about drop accuracy? Be honest and constructive.
- How can high altitudes and/or high temperatures affect helicopter performance capabilities? Be aware they may be significantly reduced.

#### Resources:

Incident Response Pocket Guide, PMS 461, https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/461

NWCG Standards for Helicopter Operations, PMS 510, https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/510

Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations (Red Book), https://www.nifc.gov/policies/pol\_ref\_redbook.html