#### National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Tuesday, April 19, 2022 – 0730 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

## **National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (134 fires
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: ***	12
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0
Complex IMTs committed:	0

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 post Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.

	Active Incident Resource Summary											
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel					
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
swcc	10	19,218	33	81	21	1,515	-26					
RMCC	5	5,766	4	16	0	202	0					
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
SACC	13	229,796	5	32	3	225	-143					
Total	28	254,780	42	129	24	1,942	-169					

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

#### Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:3New large incidents:1Uncontained large fires:7Type 1 IMTs committed:3

**McBride**, Capitan District, NM State Forestry. IMT 1 (SW Team 2). One mile southeast of Ruidoso, NM. Light slash and grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

**Hermits Peak**, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Timber. Minimal fire with creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Evacuations have been lifted.

**Nogal Canyon**, Capitan District, NM State Forestry. Eight miles northwest of Ruidoso, NM. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, backing and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Bonita**, Coronado NF, USFS. Six miles southwest of Ruby, AZ. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Big Hole**, Bernalillo District, NM State Forestry. Nine miles south of Los Lunas, NM. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**Wildkat**, Southeast District, Arizona DOF. Twelve miles north of Huachuca City, AZ. Grass, brush and chaparral. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	nit Size %	Ctn/ Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin			
modent Name	Offic	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Crooks	AZ-PNF	500		0	Ctn	5/4	181		4	5	2	0	100K	FS
McBride	NM-N5S	6,159	0	84	Ctn	4/30	438	6	8	20	5	331	3M	ST
Hermits Peak	NM-SNF	7,581	36	81	Ctn	4/25	567	-105	12	34	6	7	7.2M	FS
Nogal Canyon	NM-N5S	412	0	70	Ctn	4/27	117	-27	3	7	3	10	790K	ST
Bonita	AZ-CNF	730	130	25	Ctn	4/19	87	21	3	3	2	0	200K	FS
Big Hole	NM-N6S	890	0	85	Ctn	4/25	15	-62	0	2	0	19	675K	ST
Wildkat	AZ-A3S	562		95	Ctn	UNK	68		2	6	1	0	15K	ST

### Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:18New large incidents:4Uncontained large fires:5

<sup>\*</sup> **Crooks**, Prescott NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 4) mobilizing. Eleven miles south of Prescott, AZ. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior with group torching, flanking and spotting. Communication infrastructure threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

<sup>\*</sup> Nina Lucia, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private lands 20 miles southeast of Colorado City, TX. Grass. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened.

<sup>\*</sup> **Easter Blues**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 13 miles south of Merkel, TX. Grass. Minimal fire behavior.

**Hancock Creek**, National Forests in North Carolina, USFS. Five miles northeast of Havelock, NC. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Kane, Osage Agency, BIA. Eight miles west of Bartlesville, OK. Timber and grass. No new information.

**Arbuckle**, Chickasaw Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Graham, OK. Hardwood litter and tall grass. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	Size		% Ctn/	Est	Perso	Personnel		Resources			\$\$	Origin
incident Name	Offic	Acres	Chge	/0	Comp	ESI	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Nina Lucia	TX-TXS	564		85	Ctn	4/20	41		0	5	0	0	NR	PRI
* Easter Blues	TX-TXS	350		50	Ctn	4/20	56		0	7	1	0	NR	PRI
Hancock Creek	NC-NCF	829	0	96	Ctn	UNK	11	2	0	2	1	0	25K	FS
Kane	OK-OSA	1,676		90	Ctn	UNK	23		0	8	1	0	30K	BIA
Arbuckle	OK-CHA	1,910		75	Ctn	4/20	5		0	1	0	0	50K	BIA
* Stag	TX-TXS	1,060		100	Ctn		0		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Debord	KY-KYS	178		100	Ctn		6		0	0	0	0	3K	ST
Berlin Rd	OK-OKS	3,776	0	100	Ctn		2	-22	0	1	0	0	277K	ST
Training Area 23	TX-TXS	3,005	0	100	Ctn		0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	DOD

KYS – Kentucky DOF OKS – Oklahoma DOF

#### Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

\* **Kwethluk**, Southwest Area, Alaska DOF. Started on FWS land 21 miles southeast of Kwethluk, AK. Grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and backing. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	ze	0/2	% Ctn/		Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
modern Name	5	Acres	Chge	70	Comp	Est -	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Larg	e Fires Bein	g Manage	d with a S	Strateg	y Other T	han Full	Suppres	sion With	out a T	ype 1	or 2 IM	T Assiç	gned	
* Kwethluk	AK-SWS	2,011		0	Comp	9/30	0		0	0	0	0	6K	FWS

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaaka Araa	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Alaska Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	450	0	450
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	6	0	6
Northern Camornia Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	8	1	9
Southern California Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4	1	5
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great basiii Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	2	3
Southwest Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	500	515
Dealer Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	97	0	97
Eastelli Alea	ACRES	0	0	0	0	642	0	642
Southorn Aron	FIRES	4	0	1	0	11	2	18
Southern Area	ACRES	1,962	0	2	0	64	5	2,033
TOTAL FIRES:		5	0	1	0	123	5	134
TOTAL ACRES:		1,962	0	2	0	1,177	506	3,647

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaaka Araa	FIRES	0	0	0	0	8	3	11
Alaska Area	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,200	0	1,200
Northwest Area	FIRES	19	7	0	0	78	9	113
Northwest Alea	ACRES	291	133	0	0	127	0	551
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	1	0	3	524	32	560
Northern Camornia Area	ACRES	0	1	0	0	399	72	472
Southern California Area	FIRES	4	10	1	1	654	80	750
Southern California Area	ACRES	0	8	100	1	5,885	596	6,590
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	38	1	0	0	75	14	128
Northern Rockies Area	ACRES	92	1	0	0	1,012	70	1,175
Great Basin Area	FIRES	2	22	2	1	57	11	95
Gleat Basiii Alea	ACRES	1	54	0	0	280	1	336
Southwest Area	FIRES	92	41	0	1	113	93	340
Southwest Alea	ACRES	1,269	4,222	0	0	33,251	14,346	53,089
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	62	6	7	1	104	20	200
Rocky Wouldain Area	ACRES	1,187	2	89	264	55,747	444	57,733
Eastern Area	FIRES	12	0	1	3	1,663	92	1,771
Lastelli Alea	ACRES	202	0	1	10	15,222	2,455	17,890
Couthorn Arcs	FIRES	479	1	12	30	14,560	394	15,476
Southern Area	ACRES	94,822	3	2,205	2,315	554,969	33,840	688,155
TOTAL FIRES:		708	89	23	40	17,836	748	19,444
TOTAL ACRES:		97,864	4,424	2,395	2,590	668,095	51,825	827,196

Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)	13,389
Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)	628,425

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

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

<u>Predictive Services Discussion:</u> A Pacific trough will move into the Intermountain West today pushing a strong cold front through northern California and the Great Basin. Elevated to critical conditions due to strong west to southwest winds are forecast ahead of the front across the southern Great Basin, Southwest, and portions of the central High Plains with the most critical conditions across New Mexico where fuels are driest. Dry post-frontal winds are forecast across southern Georgia into the northern Florida peninsula with relative humidity as low as the upper teens, but recent rainfall will help to mitigate the worst conditions. Light precipitation will spread across much of the northern Intermountain West with snow in the mountains. Scattered thunderstorms are likely across much of the southern and central Plains in the afternoon with thunderstorms also possible near the dry line in west Texas.

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



# Attempting A Frontal Assault On A Fire

Operational Engagement Category

Attempting a frontal assault on a fire is Watch Out Situation #10. It is a potentially dangerous tactic.

If your tactics include a frontal assault, adequately address the following before engaging the fire:

- Has the fire been scouted and sized up? Who will scout and size up a fire and what are they looking for?
- Is your position defensible? List what makes a firefighter's position defensible (anchor points, safety zones, escape routes, etc.).
- Are escape routes and safety zones adequate? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route.
- Do you have an anchor point? How would you establish an anchor point for a frontal assault on a fire?
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assault? Discuss things you need to consider. For example, if the frontal assault fails, do you have backup?
- Are you informed on strategy, tactics, and hazards? Consider what could happen if someone has implemented a different approach; for example, the Incident Commander (IC) has a burnout operation planned while you are attempting frontal assault.
- Is the terrain favorable to holding the fire? Discuss ways the terrain will influence where you will make a stand.
- Are you relying on aircraft to support the operation? Any operation, especially frontal assault, should not need air resources to be completed safely.

To reduce the risks, reassess your tactics, post lookouts, and identify situations in which firefighters may be enticed to attempt frontal assault on a fire. Review why this may or may not be a good idea.

#### Resources:

10 Standard Firefighting Orders, PMS 110
18 Watch Out Situations, PMS 118
10 and 18 Poster, PMS 110-18
Incident Response Pocket Guide (IRPG), PMS 461
Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations (Red Book)