

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (112 fires)
New large incidents:	4
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires: ***	8
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1
**Complex IMTs committed:	1

\*\*Complex Incident Management Teams (CIMTs) are configured to respond to large, complex fires and can expand and reduce staffing in all functional areas as necessary to meet the needs of the incident.

Nationally, there are two 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.

[Link](#) to Understanding the IMSR.

**This report will post Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.**

<b>Active Incident Resource Summary</b>							
<b>GACC</b>	<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Cumulative Acres</b>	<b>Crews</b>	<b>Engines</b>	<b>Helicopters</b>	<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>Change in Personnel</b>
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	1	475	0	35	0	60	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	14	178,326	73	184	28	3,140	720
RMCC	2	46,925	1	25	0	199	116
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	13	243,557	0	33	1	189	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>469,283</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3,588</b>	<b>840</b>

**Southwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 2  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 6  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 4  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Hermits Peak**, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Crooks**, Prescott NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 4). Eleven miles south of Prescott, AZ. Timber and chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, short-range spotting and backing. Communication infrastructure and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cerro Pelado**, Santa Fe NF. IMT 1 (SA Red Team). Seven miles east of Jemez Springs, NM. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and flanking. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

**Cooks Peak**, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Five miles north of Ocate, NM. Timber, grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Tunnel**, Coconino NF, USFS. IMT1 (PNW Team 3). Nine miles northeast of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and isolated torching. Communication infrastructure and numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Mitchell**, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. Seven miles east of Mosquero, NM. Grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

**McBride**, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. One mile southeast of Ruidoso, NM. Light slash and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Hermits Peak	NM-SNF	56,654	2,650	12	Ctn	7/31	817	84	14	55	11	0	15.3M	FS
Crooks	AZ-PNF	6,454	2,540	16	Ctn	5/17	746	71	19	40	8	0	7.1M	FS
Cerro Pelado	NM-SNF	4,688	0	0	Comp	5/5	232	144	8	8	3	0	1M	FS
Cooks Peak	NM-N4S	54,021	2,039	18	Ctn	5/28	541	16	15	20	3	0	4.1M	ST
Tunnel	AZ-COF	21,235	19	20	Ctn	5/13	420	-10	9	11	2	54	2.5M	FS
Mitchell	NM-N4S	25,000	5,000	40	Ctn	5/2	17	-19	0	5	0	0	100K	ST
McBride	NM-N5S	6,159	0	95	Ctn	4/30	37	0	1	2	1	331	4.4M	ST

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 0  
 New large incidents: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Complex IMTs Committed: 1



**Fires and Acres (by Protection):**

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	10	0	<b>10</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	<b>5</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	12	0	<b>12</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	1	<b>3</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	1	<b>2</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,098	4	<b>1,102</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	35	1	<b>36</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	33	1	<b>34</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	43	5	<b>48</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	81	19	<b>101</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>112</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,219</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,245</b>

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	10	3	<b>13</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	10,143	0	<b>10,143</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	20	8	0	0	84	11	<b>123</b>
	ACRES	291	183	0	0	132	0	<b>606</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	1	0	3	551	34	<b>589</b>
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	412	73	<b>486</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	4	10	1	2	722	82	<b>821</b>
	ACRES	0	8	100	2	5,934	597	<b>6,641</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	38	1	0	0	84	16	<b>139</b>
	ACRES	92	1	0	0	1,016	84	<b>1,193</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	2	28	2	1	68	11	<b>112</b>
	ACRES	1	61	0	0	292	1	<b>356</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	105	51	1	2	132	111	<b>402</b>
	ACRES	1,305	5,537	0	1	43,137	16,853	<b>66,834</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	65	8	7	1	129	28	<b>238</b>
	ACRES	1,462	102	119	264	73,015	470	<b>75,432</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	15	0	10	3	2,006	122	<b>2,156</b>
	ACRES	203	0	429	10	15,845	2,485	<b>18,973</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	484	1	12	31	14,870	417	<b>15,815</b>
	ACRES	96,191	3	2,205	2,315	556,235	34,813	<b>691,764</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>733</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>18,656</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>20,408</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>99,546</b>	<b>5,897</b>	<b>2,853</b>	<b>2,592</b>	<b>706,163</b>	<b>55,377</b>	<b>872,431</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>14,779</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>674,038</b>

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

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

**Predictive Services Discussion**: An upper low will remain off the Northwest coast with upper ridging sliding east into the Plains this afternoon. An upper trough will move into the Great Lakes with the associated cold front moving off the East Coast. Elevated conditions are likely across portions of the central High Plains as south to southwest winds 10-20 mph with gusts 25-35 mph develop amid minimum relative humidity of 10-20%. Locally elevated conditions are also possible across western Arizona into the southern Great Basin with winds of 10-15 mph and gusts to 25 mph likely coinciding with low afternoon relative humidity. Showers with mountain snow are likely to continue across the Northwest coast into eastern Oregon and much of Idaho. Showers with light to locally moderate rainfall and isolated thunderstorms are expected with the eastern front as it moves off the coast with heavier rain possible in thunderstorms across south Texas.

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



## 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), <https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/461>

[NWCG Standards for Helicopter Operations, PMS 510](https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/510), <https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/510>

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

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