

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, May 20, 2022 – 0730 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity:

Initial attack activity:	Light (127 fires)
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires: **	15
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5
***Complex IMTs committed:	2

***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 is one fire 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.

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	1	200	2	0	0	47	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	1	97	0	1	1	8	0
SWCC	9	561,954	101	223	44	4,557	253
RMCC	5	3,090	11	69	7	712	4
EACC	2	2,622	1	7	0	71	0
SACC	18	49,967	0	72	0	341	61
Total	36	617,930	115	372	52	5,736	318

Southwest Area (PL 5)

New fires: 8
New large incidents: 1
Uncontained large fires: 4
Type 1 IMTs committed: 4
Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

Hermits Peak, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1) and IMT 1 (CA Team 2). Transfer of command from IMT 2 (SW Team 3) to IMT 1 (CA Team 5) will occur today. Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Grass and timber. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, group torching and spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Black, Gila NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Twenty-four miles north of Mimbres, NM. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, uphill runs and spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Bear Trap, Cibola NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). Twenty-two miles southwest of Magdalena, NM. Timber. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Cerro Pelado, Santa Fe NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (GB Team 1) to IMT2 (RM Team Black) will occur today. Seven miles east of Jemez Springs, NM. Grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and backing. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Evacuations have been lifted.

* **Burchard 519**, Cimmaron District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twenty-two miles northeast of Des Moines, NM. Brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior with wind-driven runs and torching.

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	303,341	1,370	40	Ctn	7/31	2,408	239	47	156	27	635	95M	FS
Black	NM-GNF	93,014	15,485	0	Comp	7/7	475	94	16	7	6	0	3.8M	FS
Bear Trap	NM-CIF	19,148	2,026	28	Ctn	5/31	709	-29	19	15	4	0	9.4M	FS
Cerro Pelado	NM-SNF	45,605	0	75	Ctn	6/15	656	-69	15	28	6	10	34.6M	FS
* Burchard 519	NM-N2S	600	---	5	Ctn	5/246	20	---	0	4	1	0	25K	ST

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4
New large incidents: 1
Uncontained large fires: 4
CIMTs committed: 2

* **Simms**, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison NF, USFS. CIMT (RM Team 1) mobilizing. Fourteen miles southwest of Montrose, CO. Chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with group torching, long-range spotting and wind-driven runs. Residences threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

Plumtaw, San Juan NF, USFS. CIMT (RM Team 2). Seven miles northwest of Pagosa Springs, CO. Timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

High Park, Teller County. Transfer of command from CIMT (RM Team 1) back to the local unit will occur today. Six miles west of Cripple Creek, CO. Timber and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping.

201 East, Nebraska NF, USFS. Four miles south of Halsey, NE. Timber. Extreme fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Simms	CO-GMF	370	---	0	Ctn	5/26	28	---	0	7	0	1	100K	FS
Plumtaw	CO-SJF	727	-8	0	Ctn	7/15	297	113	9	12	5	0	1.4M	FS
High Park	CO-TLX	1,572	0	89	Ctn	5/31	305	-62	2	34	2	0	4M	CNTY
201 East	NE-NBF	2,500	2,385	5	Ctn	5/25	68	0	1	14	0	0	500K	FS
Medano	CO-GSP	306	0	100	Ctn	---	14	-20	0	2	0	0	60K	NPS

GSP – Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, NPS

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 37
 New large incidents: 4
 Uncontained large fires: 6
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Mesquite Heat, Texas A&M Forest Service. IMT 2 (SA Gold Team). Started on private land 11 miles south of Abilene, TX. Grass, brush and timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and creeping. Residences threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Coconut, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 18 miles south of Vernon, TX. Grass, brush and timber. Active fire behavior with running and isolated torching. Residences threatened.

Pope 2, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 24 miles southeast of Eldorado, TX. Grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping. Residences threatened.

Sandstone Mountain, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land two miles southeast of Llano, TX. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened.

Dry Branch, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land seven miles west of Evant, TX. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations have been lifted.

Full Moon, Avon Park Air Force Base, DOD. Fifteen miles northeast of Avon Park, FL. Brush and grass. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Mesquite Heat	TX-TXS	9,613	4,613	25	Ctn	5/23	71	47	0	16	0	27	NR	PRI
Coconut	TX-TXS	26,000	8,000	45	Ctn	5/23	61	1	0	11	0	0	NR	PRI
Pope 2	TX-TXS	2,530	0	75	Ctn	5/21	34	-16	0	5	0	0	NR	PRI
Sandstone Mountain	TX-TXS	351	1	75	Ctn	5/22	16	6	0	5	0	0	NR	PRI
Dry Branch	TX-TXS	4,000	0	85	Ctn	5/24	21	3	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
Full Moon	FL-APQ	1,500	---	80	Ctn	UNK	10	---	0	5	0	0	6K	DOD

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Jackson Co.	MS-MSS	719	---	100	Ctn	---	6	---	0	0	0	0	143K	PRI
* Mine (27)	FL-FLS	650	---	100	Ctn	---	20	---	0	6	0	0	NR	ST
* S. Pierce (53)	FL-FLS	350	---	100	Ctn	---	6	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* WF5 Bright	FL-FLS	386	---	100	Ctn	---	7	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
4 Corners	FL-FLS	500	0	100	Comp	---	5	0	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

MSS – Mississippi Forestry Commission FLS – Florida Forest Service

Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 25
New large incidents: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Bemis, White Mountain NF, USFS. Started on state land eight miles northwest of Bartlett, NH. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Bemis	NH-WMF	106	0	75	Ctn	5/24	56	0	1	1	0	0	170K	ST

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	0	15
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	22	1	23
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	93	0	93
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	22	1	23
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	67	1	68
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	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	3	0	0	5	0	8
	ACRES	0	3	0	0	339	15,485	15,827
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	1,999	2,000
Eastern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	24	0	25
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	161	0	162
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	36	1	37
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,059	5	1,064
TOTAL FIRES:		1	3	0	0	117	6	127
TOTAL ACRES:		1	3	0	0	1,736	17,490	19,230

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	4	0	0	78	6	88
	ACRES	0	4	0	0	11,354	4	11,363
Northwest Area	FIRES	24	8	2	0	99	12	145
	ACRES	532	183	18	0	140	0	874
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	2	0	3	774	40	821
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	928	73	1,002
Southern California Area	FIRES	4	14	1	3	1,095	118	1,235
	ACRES	0	41	100	3	7,379	683	8,206
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	156	2	1	0	157	19	335
	ACRES	388	2	103	0	2,149	83	2,725
Great Basin Area	FIRES	4	43	3	6	125	16	197
	ACRES	1	136	0	0	964	104	1,206
Southwest Area	FIRES	163	81	1	3	261	205	714
	ACRES	1,417	6,526	0	4	133,817	459,665	601,429
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	90	12	8	4	674	44	832
	ACRES	1,494	980	119	570	162,470	4,411	170,044
Eastern Area	FIRES	63	0	19	7	3,672	209	3,970
	ACRES	239	0	679	10	22,692	2,580	26,200
Southern Area	FIRES	491	1	15	36	16,849	454	17,846
	ACRES	96,223	3	2,540	2,344	718,923	35,829	855,863
TOTAL FIRES:		997	167	50	62	23,784	1,123	26,183
TOTAL ACRES:		100,295	7,877	3,559	2,931	1,773,812	503,434	1,678,912

Ten Year Average Fires (2012 – 2021 as of today)	19,452
Ten Year Average Acres (2012 – 2021 as of today)	801,096

***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: Deep upper troughing will continue across the Intermountain West into the northern Plains with strong upper ridging developing along the East Coast. A cold front will stall across the Four Corners but push south into the southern Plains and east into the Great Lakes. Very hot, record setting temperatures will continue across western and central Texas. Elevated to critical conditions will develop across much of eastern Arizona through New Mexico and into portions of central Texas where west to southwest winds 15-25 mph with gusts to 40 mph will coincide with RH of 5-15%. Pyrocumulonimbus are possible across any active fires across central Texas in the vicinity of the dry line as well. Breezy and dry north winds will continue across the Sacramento Valley of California today before decreasing overnight. Showers with isolated thunderstorms and mountain snow will move into the central Rockies with the heaviest precipitation likely over northern Colorado. Showers and scattered thunderstorms will develop ahead of the cold front and east of the dry line from central Texas north and east into the Great Lakes. Thunderstorms are forecast to become more numerous over central Florida with heavy rain possible.

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



Fight Fire Aggressively, Having Provided for Safety First

Operational Engagement Category

Standard Firefighting Order #10 must be considered at all times when fighting fire. In order to fight fire safely and aggressively, every firefighter must be able to answer the following questions:

- Is the suppression method adequate? Are we making progress? Are we beating our heads against a wall? Is there a better way to get this done?
 - Give examples of when you have had to change your suppression method.
- Are there adequate resources and time for effective suppression? Do we need to retreat and reevaluate?
 - Talk about how you dealt with times when you realized you were not making progress on a fire.
- Are lookouts posted? When you post lookouts, who would you choose to be a lookout, and where should they be located?
- Are communications prompt with crews and other resources?
 - Review the importance of effective communications on the fireline.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been established?
 - Talk about your crew's procedure for establishing escape routes and safety zones. Review what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone.
- Do you feel comfortable with your assignment?
 - Discuss how you evaluate the situation. Remind firefighters that every individual has the right to question an assignment.
- To reduce the risks:
 - Post lookouts.
 - Establish trigger points.
 - Retreat if the situation is too complex. Emphasize that safety is everyone's responsibility; we all want to be good firefighters and being safe is part of that

Resources:

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

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