



MANAGER'S BRIEFING

Date: Thursday, November 6th, 2009 Time: 1200
 Preparedness levels: **Eastern Area 1 National 1**

[National WX Service Link](#) **EA Fire Weather Watches/Red Flag Warnings: None**

Please check your local [National Weather Service](#) Fire Weather Forecast for more info.

[EA Situation Report Link](#) **Eastern Area Activity** [EA Staffing](#)

Situation Report activity from 11/5/09 (Units out of fire season are reporting weekly, when there is no activity)

Units Fire Danger:	Low: 21	Moderate: 11	High: 0	Very High: 0	Extreme: 0
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Initial Attack Activity:	Minimal	Big Rivers: 1	Great Lakes: 1	Mid-Atlantic: 2	Northeast: 0
IA Totals:	Fires: 4	Acres: 28			

Rx Activity:	Fires: 6	Acres: 690
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Detailed Initial Attack Activity						
Agency	State	Unit	Human	Acres	Lightning	Acres
MN	MN	MNS	1	1		
ST	WV	WVS	2	1		
FS	MO	MTF	1	26		
Total:			4	28	0	0

Large Fire Activity: None

[Geographic Area Coordination Center Link](#) **National Activity** PL 1 [National IMSR](#)

[Large Fire Map](#) [InciWeb: National Incidents](#)

Friday, November 6, 2009 (Updated weekly on Friday's)

Situation	Resources
Initial attack activity: Light (61) New large fires: Large fires contained: Uncontained large fires : *	Area Command Teams committed: 0 NIMO's committed: 0 Type 1 IMT's committed:1 Type 2 IMT's committed: 0

*Uncontained large fires do not include confine/contain and resource benefit incidents.

GACC Preparedness Levels @ 3+: None.

New Large Fire Activity: Southwest

Predictive Services Discussion: Arizona will see warm temperatures and low humidity today. Southern California will have low clouds and fog along the coast with dry weather inland. Florida will also be warm and dry today with low humidity in the northern portions of the state.

Great Lakes Compact:

Fire Danger: Fire danger is mainly low.

Fire Weather: Mainly dry conditions are forecast through the end of the work week into the weekend. **Breezy southeast to south winds will affect the compact into Friday.** Milder and continued dry conditions will persist through the weekend as westerly flow aloft prevails. The next chance of precipitation is forecast to affect the compact from west to east later Sunday afternoon into Tuesday morning.

Big Rivers Compact:

Fire Danger: Fire danger is mainly low in the north with pockets of moderate in the southern portions of the compact.

Fire Weather: Mainly dry conditions are forecast through the end of the work week. **Breezy south to southeast winds will increase across the compact from into Friday night.** Mild and dry conditions should continue this weekend as westerly flow aloft prevails. Scattered areas of precipitation are forecast to affect the parts of the compact from northwest to southeast Sunday evening into Tuesday.

Northeast Compact:

Fire Danger: Fire danger is mainly low.

Fire Weather: Areas of precipitation will advance through the Northeast into Friday as a trough of low pressure works its way eastward through the compact. Brisk north to northeast winds will prevail along the coast on Friday on the backside of the low. Cooler than normal conditions will persist into Friday before warming up this weekend into early next week.

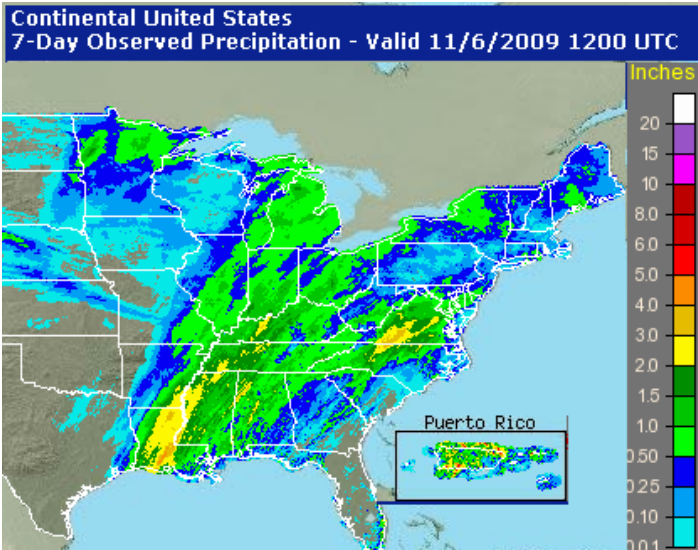
Mid-Atlantic Compact:

Fire Danger: Fire danger is low with pockets of moderate.

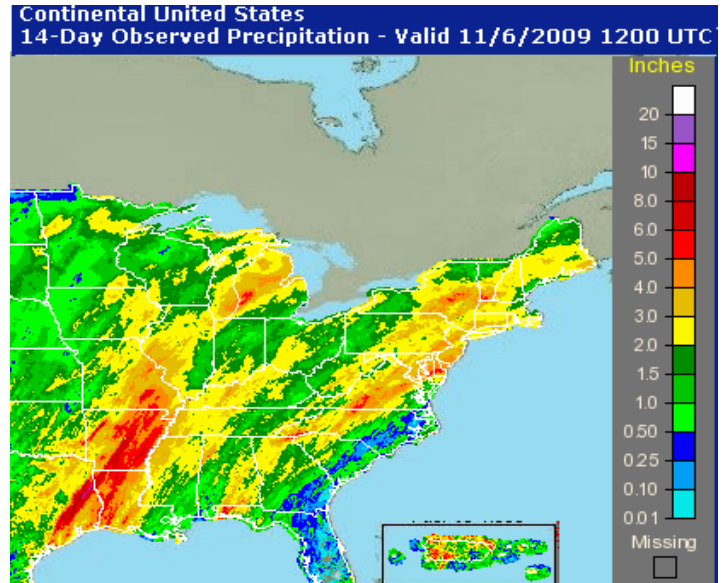
Fire Weather: Mainly dry conditions will prevail across the compact into this weekend. Temperatures will be at or below normal early November readings into the end of the week before a warming trend develops this weekend into next week. The next chance of precipitation should move into the western Mid-Atlantic States on Tuesday.

Fire Weather Information

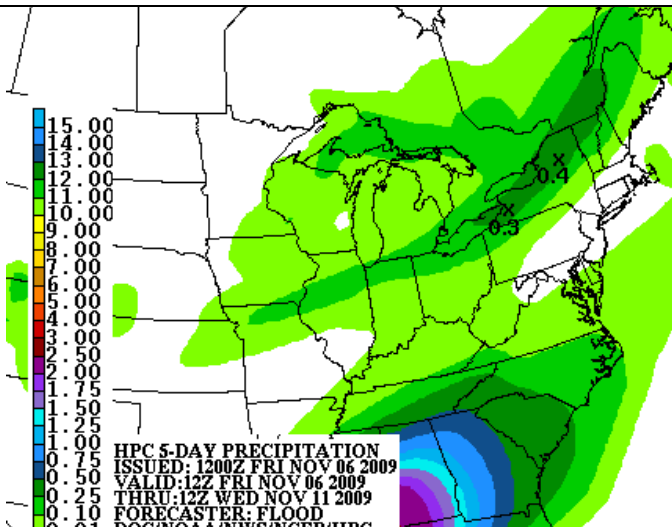
Previous 7 Day Accumulated Precipitation



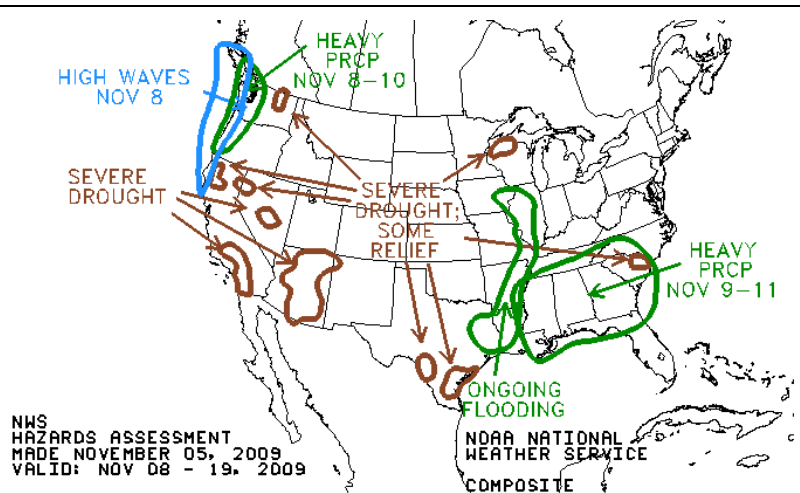
Previous 14 Day Accumulated Precipitation



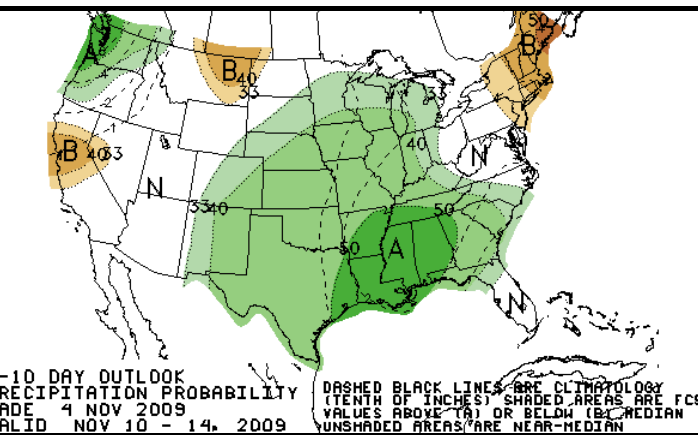
5 Day Forecast Precipitation Totals



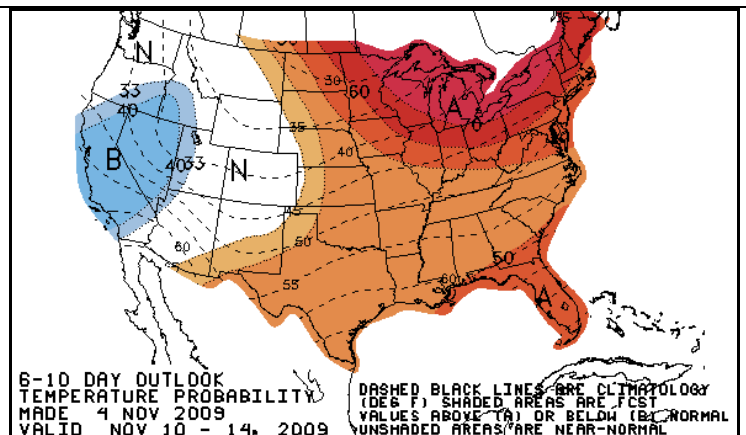
10 Day Forecast Hazards Assessment



6 to 10 Day Precipitation Outlook



6 to 10 Day Temperature Outlook



[EA Weather Briefing Link](#)

[Observed Fire Danger Link](#)

[Forecasted Fire Danger Link](#)

[Four Panel Forecast](#)

Aviation Resources			
<i>Helicopters</i>			
Tail #	Make/Model	Contract	Host
N915MF	UH-1H	EX	MES
N925MF	UH-1H	EX	MES
N955MF	UH-1H	EX	MES
N945MF	UH-1H	EX	MES
N905MF	Bell 407	EX	MES
N2751A	Bell 206 B-3	EX	MES
<i>Fixed Wing Aircraft</i>			
ATK-6	Queen Air	CWN	MNS
Beaver 1	DHC2 Beaver	Federal	SUF
Beaver 2	DHC2 Beaver	Federal	SUF
Beaver 3	DHC2 Beaver	Federal	SUF

EA Crew Availability	
T21A	5
T2	2
T1	0
Camp	0
Total	7

EA Engine Availability	
T-7	0
T-6	27
T-4	5
T-3	0
Total	32

Prescribed Fires				
Agency	New Fires		Year to date	
	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres
BIA	1	52	72	72,442
DDQ	0	0	1	20
FWS	0	0	554	78,600
NPS	0	0	52	9,288
ST	4	368	2,677	155,603
USFS	1	280	220	53,669
TOTAL:	6	690	3,577	370,622

For today's planned burns please see the EA Daily Planned RX link above.

Reported Prescribed Burn Activity				
Agency	State	Unit	Ignitions	Acres
BIA	MN	MRA	1	52
ST	IL	ILS	1	27
ST	MN	MNS	3	331
FS	MO	MTF	1	280
Total:			6	690

Atlantic

Tropical Storm Ida

As of 4:00 a.m. EST, on November 5, 2009, the center of Tropical Storm Ida was located about 815 miles south of Key West, FL (1,275 miles south-southeast of New Orleans, LA). The storm is moving toward the northwest at 7 mph and a gradual turn to the north-northwest with a slight decrease in forward speed is expected during the next day or two. On the forecast track Ida should make landfall along the east coast of Nicaragua this morning and move across portions of eastern Nicaragua and eastern Honduras during the next couple of days. Maximum sustained winds have increased to near 70 mph with higher gusts. Ida could briefly reach hurricane strength before making landfall this morning. Weakening is expected once Ida moves inland over Nicaragua later today. Tropical Storm force winds extend outward up to 50 miles.

Elsewhere, tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next 48 hours.

Eastern Pacific

Shower and thunderstorm activity associated with an area of low pressure is located about 250 miles south of the Mexico/Guatemala border. The upper-level wind environment is becoming less conducive for development and there is a low chance (less than 30 percent) of this system becoming a tropical cyclone during the next 48 hours.

Central Pacific

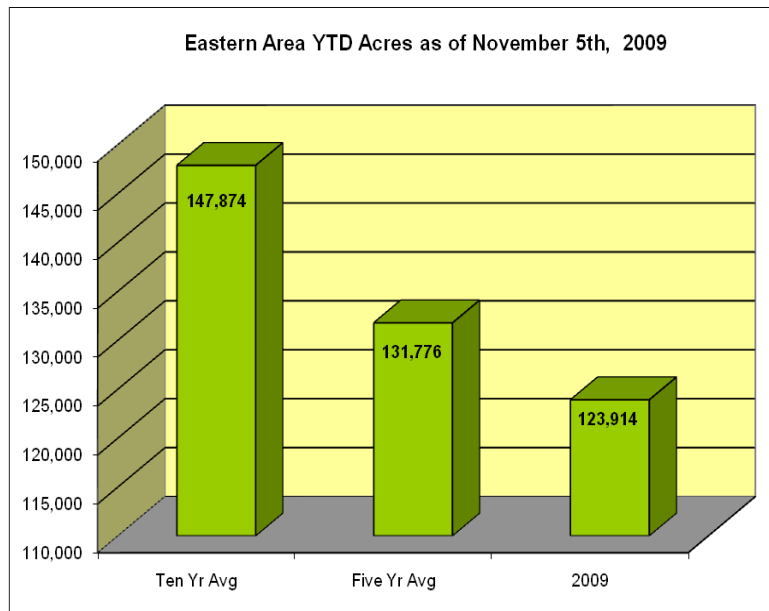
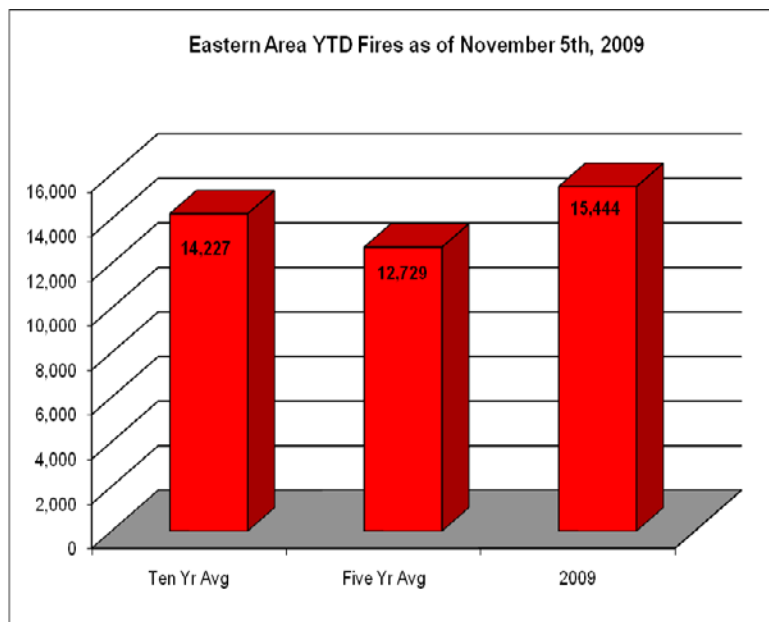
No tropical cyclones are expected through Thursday morning.

Western Pacific

No activity (NOAA, HPC, National Hurricane Center, Central Pacific Hurricane Center and the Joint Typhoon Warning Center)

Flooding also exists in Texas and Louisiana from Storms passing through the area October 28-30th.

Agency	Human Fires		Lighting Fires		Year to date	
	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres
BIA	436	1,239	2	2	438	1,241
DDQ	6	103	0	0	6	103
FWS	42	889	0	0	42	889
NPS	27	109	3	1	30	110
ST	14,307	114,367	51	422	14,358	114,789
USFS	564	6,780	6	2	570	6,782
TOTALS	15,382	123,487	62	427	15,444	123,914



Helpful web links:

- EA Fuels Fire Danger: http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive/fuels_fire-danger/fuels_fire-danger.htm
- EA weekly Outlook: <http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive/outlooks/EAWeeklyOutlook.pdf>
- EA 7 Day product: <http://199.141.1.21/predictive/index.html>
- Eastern Area Coordination Center: <http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/index.htm>
- Inci Web: <http://www.inciweb.org/>
- National Hurricane Center updates: <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
- Fire and Fuel Advisories: http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/predictive/fuels_fire-danger/fuels_advisories.htm
- Fire Danger Pocket Cards: <http://fam.nwccg.gov/fam-web/pocketcards/>
- Large fire Map of active incidents: http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/lq_fire2.php
- Six Minutes for Safety: http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php
- Aviation Safety Alerts: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/av_safety/safety_alerts/index.html
- H1N1 Info: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>

Be visible when biking or jogging, wear reflective material.