

Southern Area Coordination Center Morning Report

Monday, January 4, 2010	10:00 a.m.	Southern Area Preparedness Level: 1
Southern Area Current Situation		
<i>National Preparedness Level: 1</i>		
<i>Compact Status: All Southern Area compacts are closed.</i>		

Initial Attack Activity*

The Southern Area reported light initial attack activity over the past week (12/28-1/3), with 56 new fires reported on State protected lands in AR, FL, GA, MS, NC and SC for 315 acres burned. There was 1 new fire reported on Federal protected lands (USFS) in KY for 10 acres burned.

* For specific information on fire activity (numbers of new wildland or prescribed fires and year-to-date totals by state/unit), please refer to the Southern Area [Summary](#) or [Detailed](#) Situation Reports.

*Fire activity descriptions ¹

Incident Information (as reported via ICS-209s)

Large/significant incident² activity includes the following:

Incident Name	Incident Number	Start Date	Size	% Ctn or MMA	IMT Assigned	Structures Destroyed to Date
Rooftop	FL-FLS-2009-16-0835	12/28/2009	5	100	T5IC	1 Outbuilding

Newly reported fires and/or changes to existing fires are highlighted in blue.

Prescribed Fire Activity

Prescribed fire activity reported for the same time period, 22 fires for a total of 16,809 acres burned. Prescribed fire activity occurred in FL on USFS land (3,978 acres burned), and DOD land (12,3d50 acres burned), NC state also reported prescribe fire activity, with 2 fires for 481 acres burned.

Remarks

No comments were recorded by State Centers for January 3rd.

¹ Fire activity descriptions as follows: Light = 1-100, Moderate = 101-250, Heavy = 251+

² Large incidents are defined as fires which are 100+ acres in timber or 300+ acres in grass/brush, or incidents with a Type 1 or 2 IMT assigned. Incidents with structures damaged or destroyed are also included, regardless of size.

Resources Committed

The number of resources currently committed is obtained from the Resource Ordering and Status System (ROSS). There may be slight discrepancies in the total number of resources if they have not been released properly or in a timely fashion. The Overhead column only reflects individual overhead positions, not the total number of personnel assigned.

SACC MORNING REPORT - RESOURCES CURRENTLY ON ASSIGNMENT IN AREA

Southern Area and Out of Area Resources Currently Assigned In the Geographic Area

Total Requests	Aircraft	Crew	Equipment	Overhead	Summary
Bureau of Indian Affairs				3	3
Bureau of Land Management				1	1
Florida Division of Forestry				6	6
National Park Service		1		3	4
Oklahoma Forestry Services				1	1
Other				6	6
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service			2	2	4
U.S. Forest Service	2		2	69	73
			2	5	7
Summary	2	1	6	96	105

SACC MORNING REPORT - RESOURCES CURRENTLY ASSIGNED OUT OF AREA

Southern Area Resources Currently Assigned Out of the Geographic Area

Total Requests	Overhead	Summary
U.S. Forest Service	2	2
Summary	2	2

TEAM & HOTSHOT CREW INFORMATION

Area Command Team <i>Through 0800 MDT 01/13/2010</i>	Anderson
Incident Management Teams - National Rotation <i>Through 0800 MDT 01/06/2010</i>	Rocky Basin
Interagency Buying Team - National Rotation <i>Through 0730 MDT on 01/18/2010</i>	Northwest
Southern Area Incident Management Teams:	
Quesinberry (Type 1 - Blue)	Available. Next Southern Area rotation 1/31 – 2/13.
Ruggiero (Type 1 - Red)	Available. Next Southern Area rotation 1/17 – 1/30.
Wilder (Type 2)	Available. Currently on Southern Area rotation 1/03-1/16.
Asheville Hotshots (Asheville, NC)	Unavailable – End of season.
Augusta Hotshots (Augusta Springs, VA)	Unavailable
Cherokee Hotshots (Unicoi, TN)	Available as fire suppression module
Jackson Hotshots (Jackson, MS)	Unavailable - End of season.

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Southern Area Summary
Situation Report**



**Click for today's Southern
Area Detailed Situation
Report**

KBDI Links: [Florida KBDI Index](#)

Links to Burn Ban Information:

[Arkansas Burn Ban Map](#)

[Oklahoma Burn Ban Map](#)

[Texas Burn Ban Map](#)

[Alabama Drought Info](#)

[Mississippi Burn Bans](#)

[Kentucky Burn Ban Map](#)

[Florida Burn Ban Map](#)

Southern Area Predictive Services Daily Fire/All Hazards Weather Summary and Outlook

Monday, Jan 04, 2010

1. **Red Flag Warnings:** Have been issued across areas of the deep South and FL for low RHs (teens to 20%)
2. **Fire Weather Watches:** Low RH advisories cover much of FL for Tuesday.

3. Overall Risk Assessment for Significant Management/Resource Activity: PL1

Very low fire danger persists from Dec into Jan 2010. A higher precipitation event/amount pattern along with record setting cold temperatures associated with solar, PDO, AO, and El Nino cycles continue. Prescribed burning windows will remain very limited through the month. A slightly lower than average precipitation pattern remains persistent across KY/TN (1"-1.5" over a 30 day period) and across the NE quadrant of TX (1"-2" over 30 days).

4. Today's Weather/Fire/All Hazards Summary and Outlook: RECORD SETTING COLD, Brutal Wind Chills..

Record setting cold temperatures (15 to 25 degrees below average) will dominate the pattern across the Southern Area as multiple surges of arctic air flow into the deep south and southeast (nationwide, in general). With this cold air, hard freeze warnings remain in affect from deep southern TX to south FL with sub zero wind chill advisories for the

Appalachian Mountain region. While precipitation free weather will be widespread, snow showers will continue across areas of KY, TN, VA as well as AR and northern and central MS. 1"+ accumulations are likely in the higher elevations of the northern and central Appalachian Mountains.

By mid week, the next potent storm system will develop across the central US creating potential for a snow event Thursday/Friday down into the Deep South. Even colder air will dive again into TX and FL through the weekend.

Due to all the very cold air, RED FLAG Warnings and advisories for low RHs (teens to 20%s) will persist today in areas of the deep south and FL and will return again Friday through Sunday here with the next arctic surge.

Next Significant Precipitation Period(s): Jan 6-8 (mainly snow), Jan 12-13 (snow/mix/rain).

5. **Atlantic/Caribbean Tropical Activity Summary:** Official 2009 Season ended Nov 30.

6. **Weather for Existing Uncontained 209 Reported Fire Activity:** None.

7. **Fire Behavior** – No Assessment Issued.

8. **Key Measures of Fire Danger/Fire Weather Conditions. (Click on Links).**

a. [Days Since Significant Rain](#)

b. [Southern Area ERC-G Graph](#), [Southern Area ERC Percentile Map](#)

c. [10hr](#), [100hr](#), and [1000 hr Fuel Moistures](#)

d. KBDI: [Southern Area Map](#), [Florida \(DOF Product\)](#), [Georgia \(DOF Product\)](#), [North Carolina \(DOF Product\)](#), [Texas \(DOF Product\)](#), [Oklahoma](#), [Louisiana](#)

9. **FIRE POTENTIAL OUTLOOKS and ASSESSMENTS:**

a. [7 Day](#)

b. [Current Month](#)

c. [Seasonal \(Next Three Months\)](#).