

# **ARIZONA STATE LAND DEPARTMENT**

## **FORESTRY DIVISION**

Monday, July 03, 2006

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **FIRES ON STATE AND PRIVATE LANDS**

Fire Name	Size	Comments	
MEDUSA (update)	1,800	This lightning caused fire is located two and a half miles north of the town of Hillside. Now 60% contained, this fire is burning in mesquite, chaparral and brush, with a moderate rate of spread. Estimated containment is 7/5 at 0000. Crews worked the fire conducting burnout operations. Today's plan of action is to continue with line construction and monitor the fire. (2) State DOC Crews are assigned as well as (2) Helicopters and (5) Overhead.	
MISC LIGHTNING FIRES	3.5	There were three confirmed lightning fires yesterday, one, the Hyde Fire (0.2 acres) was located in the Hyde Park area. Ashfork FD responded. Another, the March Fire (3.0 acres) was located southwest of Sunsites-Pierce Fire District. The third fire, the Whiskey Fire, was located in the Pine Lakes area. Sunsites-Pierce FD responded.  There was a forth fire, the Pile Fire which was located in the Fort Mohave area and was the result of a resident burning trash. Mohave Valley responded.	

### INCIDENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY ON STATE AND PRIVATE LANDS

	Yesterday	Year to Date	This Date Last Year	10 yr Average This Date
Incidents	4	399	434	****
Acres	3.6	4,514	41,402	13,755

### TOTAL STATE RESOURCES ASSIGNED TO INCIDENTS YESTERDAY

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AIRCRAFI	EQUIPMENT	OVERHEAD			
7	89	90			
CREWS					
NORTHERN AZ	SOUTHERN AZ	CENTRAL AZ			
ADOC Crews: Winslow (#1) – At Incident Winslow (#2) – Available Winslow Apache (#3) – Available	ADOC Crews: Douglas – Available Fort Grant – Available Wilmot Echo (#1) – Available Wilmot Catalina (#2) – At Incident Picacho – At Incident	ADOC Crews: Adobe Camp (JDOC) – Available Florence (#1) – At Incident Globe – At Incident Lewis – At Incident Perryville (#1) – Available Perryville (#2) – At Incident Yuma – At Incident			
Other Crews: Flagstaff Fuels (short) – Available	Other Crews:  Northwest Fire – At Incident Santa Cruz Valley (short) – Available	Other Crews: Prescott FD #7 – At Incident			

## FIRES ON FEDERAL AND TRIBAL LANDS IN ARIZONA

Fire Name	Acres	Agency	Comments
HACKBERRY	1,000	Tonto NF	This fire is located 6 miles northeast of Punkin Center and started on 7/1. It is 0% contained. Low to moderate fire behavior was noted with isolated fire runs. Management has been monitoring this fire since the start and currently continues to monitor. A Hotshot Crew will be placed on the fire today with aerial support for the next couple days. No additional information is available.
WARM (update)	58,630	Kaibab NF	This Incident is located just south of Jacobs Lake on the North Rim of the Kaibab NF and was caused by lightning. Reinarz Type 2 Incident Management Team is assigned to this fire. The Incident is now 70% contained. Hwy 67 to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon NP is scheduled to be re-opened this morning at 0800.  Hwy 67 to the north rim of Grand Canyon NP remains closed to the public. Considerable progress was made in containing the Southeast and East flanks of the fire. Light winds and high RH's with some light precipitation on portions of fire helped moderate fire behavior to mostly low intensity burning on the ground with some more active burning and individual tree torching in interior draws. Very little perimeter growth on fire today.  Today, resources will continue burnout and mop up operations along the existing handline, and continue clearing hazard trees on the interior roads. Currently, there are (4) Type 1 Hand Crews, (10) Type 2 Hand Crews, (6) Helicopters, (26) Engines. (8) Dozers, (12) Water Tenders. State Land continues to support this Incident with resources from White Mountain Apache FD, St. Johns, Chandler, Mesa, Diamond Star, bullhead City, Central Yavapai, Chino Valley, Mayer, Summit, Parker and Highlands FD's, as well as (1) Type 2 Hand Crew from Northwest Fire, (2) Type 2 Crews from Rural Metro, and (4) Type 2 DOC Hand Crews.  For additional information, new releases, fire maps and photo's visit either <a href="https://www.nazteam.com">www.inciweb.org</a> or <a href="https://www.nazteam.com">http://www.nazteam.com</a> .
TIGER (update)	6,568 TOTAL Tiger (5,143) Rock Hill (1,425)	Prescott NF	This fire is located 6 miles southeast of Crown King in extremely difficult terrain. There are few drivable roads and access is difficult. Jeff Whitney's Type I Team has assumed management for this fire as well as the Rock Hill fire.  Yesterday's fire behavior was generally quiescent and limited to smoldering and smoking in a few areas. With air support, crews contained an appreciable perimeter on each fire. Demob of excess resources is underway with heavy Demob scheduled for today. Currently there are 411 personnel assigned to this Incident

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WHITE HILLS COMPLEX (update)	2,500	BLM	This fire is located in the White Hills area south of Lake Mead and Dolan Springs. It is 70% contained. This fire was the result of (2) lightning fires. More than 100 homes are potentially threatened. Command of the Incident was assumed by the Type 2 Incident Management Team (Goheen) at 1300 hours.  During yesterday's operational period, active fire behavior was observed in areas outside of rain shower events. Rain associated with thunder storms fell on the northern portion of the incident. Crews hiked into the new start discovered in the afternoon. Today, resources will continue suppression and mop-up operations as well as provide initial attack operations and support.  There are currently 343 personnel assigned to this fire, including (5) type 1 Hand Crews, (8) Type 2 Hand Crews, (1) Helicopter, and (14) Engines. State Land is supporting this Incident with (2) Type 2 Hand Crews.

#### **NATIONAL LARGE FIRE ACTIVITY**

Initial attack activity was heavy nationally with 321 new fires reported. Four new large fires were reported, two in the Eastern Great Basin Area, and one each in the Southern and Northwest Areas. Seven large fires were contained, three in the Western Great Basin Area, and one each in the Southern California, Northern California, Northern Rockies and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming.

#### FIRE WEATHER FORECAST

**FLAGSTAFF:** .DISCUSSION... A MOIST AIRMASS WILL REMAIN IN PLACE ACROSS THE REGION BRINGING A CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS TO THE FIRE DISTRICT. EXPECT DAYTIME TEMPERATURES NEAR NORMAL VALUES WITH GOOD RELATIVE HUMIDITY RECOVERIES OVERNIGHT. WINDS WILL GENERALLY REMAIN LIGHT THROUGH THE PERIOD...ALTHOUGH VERY GUSTY AND ERRATIC WINDS WILL BE PRESENT NEAR THUNDERSTORMS.

PHOENIX: DISCUSSION... STRONG HIGH PRESSURE ALOFT WILL CONTINUE OVER ARIZONA. SOME MOISTURE WILL REMAIN OVER THE AREA FOR A SLIGHT CHANCE OF AFTERNOON AND EVENING THUNDERSTORMS...MAINLY IN SOUTHWEST AND SOUTH-CENTRAL ARIZONA... WITH THE BEST CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS OVER THE HIGHER TERRAIN EAST OF THE PHOENIX AREA. THE CHANCE OF SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS WILL INCREASE MONDAY LATE AFTERNOON THROUGH TUESDAY... AS A WEAK LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM MOVES NORTH ACROSS OUR AREA. A SLIGHT CHANCE FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS WILL CONTINUE WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY.

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DISCUSSION...HIGH PRESSURE REMAINS IN PLACE OVER THE FOUR CORNERS REGION...PROVIDING SUFFICIENT MOISTURE FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING SHOWERS AND THUNDERSTORMS. THIS ACTIVITY WILL INCREASE AS A PAIR OF UPPER LEVEL DISTURBANCES ENTER SOUTHEAST ARIZONA TODAY AND TUESDAY. WINDS AROUND ANY THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE GUSTY AND ERRATIC. AN UPPER LEVEL DISTURBANCE IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST WILL BEGIN TO PUSH HIGH PRESSURE OUT OF THE FOUR CORNERS REGION BY LATE WEEK...INITIATING A SLIGHT DRYING TREND...THOUGH ENOUGH LINGERING MOISTURE WILL STILL BE PRESENT TO PERMIT A SLIGHT CHANCE FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING THUNDERSTORMS. DAYTIME HIGH TEMPERATURES WILL REMAIN CLOSE TO SEASONAL NORMALS AND OVERNIGHT RELATIVE HUMIDITY RECOVERIES ARE EXPECTED TO REMAIN FAIR TO GOOD.

For more detailed Arizona and national fire and weather information please visit the Arizona Fire Intelligence Information web page at <a href="https://www.azstatefire.org">www.azstatefire.org</a> Select "News and Fire Intell".

For detailed information for wildland fires throughout the Southwest and the Nation, visit the following webpage <a href="https://www.inciweb.org">www.inciweb.org</a>