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Incident Situation Report

May 11, 2007 at 0730hours (released at 0945hrs)

Weather (Meteorology):

Rain: Isolated showers are possible during the late afternoon and evening in the peninsula. **Lightning:** Isolated thunderstorms are possible in the panhandle during the late afternoon on Friday. Isolated strong thunderstorms are also possible in the western panhandle, with frequent lightning strikes and hail being the main hazards. **Wind:** Northeasterly winds of 15-20 mph are forecast for northeast Florida, with west or northwesterly winds forecast in South Florida. Onshore winds will develop during the afternoon in the panhandle and the peninsula. Winds in the peninsula are forecast from the northwest at 10-20 mph.

Wildland Fire Activity: (Division of Forestry) (5/11/07)

Currently Active:

Number of Counties: 54

Number of wildfires: 223

Number of acres: 89,670

Year to Date Activity: (January 1- May 9, 2007)

Number of wildfires: 2,196

Number of acres: 240,914

Confirmed Fatalities/Injuries (FDLE and ESF 16):

None at this time

Wildland Firefighter Fatalities/Injuries (DOF):

Injuries: (3 minor)

Fatalities: (0)

Road Closures (DOT):

Alachua County: County Road 1471 from US 301 to the Bradford County Line.

Baker County: State Road 2 closed from Baxter Westbound into Georgia.

Bradford County: CR 21B from SE 8th Av to SE 43 St.

Columbia County US441 Closed from I-10 to SR100 NW Bradley Rd. to Casa to River Rd to 246

Damages/Impacted (Plans Section/Situation Unit):

Total Affected Homes: (25)

Minor: (13) Walton County- 13 Homes

Major: (6) Walton County- 5 Homes

Bradford County- 1 Homes

Destroyed: (6) Collier County- 3 Homes

Walton County- 3 Homes

Businesses: (0)

Public Structures: (0)

Emergency Management Assistance Compact:

(Out of state Resources)

Georgia:

(1) Black Hawk Helicopter

(4) Personnel

South Carolina:

(2) Black Hawk Helicopters

(8) Personnel

County EOC Activations

Partial:, Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Collier, Columbia Suwannee and Union

Evacuations

Columbia County: Mandatory East of 441, Voluntary West of 441 to the river, 23 persons

Bradford County: 150 homes/400 people evacuated

Shelters (ESF6 & ESF8): (3)

Baker County- SpNs Shelter 4 persons, General Shelter 8 persons

Columbia County- 2 General Shelter 1 Pet Friendly 23 persons

Suwannee County- General Shelters 0 persons

Burn Bans by County (Division of Forestry): (26)

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Columbia, Flagler, Hendry, Hernando, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Marion, Martin, Nassau, Okaloosa, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Seminole, Sumter, St. Lucie, Union, and Volusia

Deployed Resources (FDLE and ESF 16):

State Resources

Personnel: (988)

Division of Forestry (DOF): (608)

Other Agencies: (103)

United States Forestry Service: (150)

Florida National Guard (ESF 13): (91)

Law Enforcement Officers (ESF 16): (38)

SERT Liaisons (OPS Support): (4)

Incident Management Team: (7)

Equipment:

Division of Forestry Air:

(1) Type II Huey rotor wing helicopter; (1) Type III Chinook helicopter; (17) fixed wing aircraft

Division of Forestry Ground:

(225) Dozers; (80) Engines; (15) Bulldozers

Florida National Guard:

(2) Black Hawks

U.S. Forestry Service:

(3) P-3 Large Air Tankers; (2) P-2 Large Air Tankers; (3) King Air fixed wing aircraft; (2) Type I Rotor wing helicopters;

(2) Type II Huey rotor wing helicopters

Local Resources

Fire Rescue Resources (ESF 4/9):

Personnel (385); Fire apparatus (100)

7 Fire Rescue Strike Teams with 5 companies each

30 Ambulances en route from Jacksonville

Fire Management Assistance Program Declarations:

2689-FM-FL Suwannee Complex: (Baker, Bradford, Hamilton, Suwannee, Union & Columbia)

2687-FM-FL DeLand Complex: (Lake, Flagler, Volusia & Seminole)

2692-FM-FL Caloosahatchee Complex: (Collier & Lee)

2684-FM-FL Big Pine (Polk)

2690-FM-FL Black Creek/South Walton (Walton)



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DAILY TALKING POINTS
Friday, May 11, 2007

• **URGENT INFORMATION**

- **EVACUATION ORDERS** - Mandatory evacuations for those living East of U.S. 441 from the Georgia/Florida border South to Interstate 10. Voluntary evacuations are in effect for residents living West of U.S. 441 to the Suwanee River North of Interstate 10
- **CONDITIONS CAN CHANGE RAPIDLY** - Listen to local officials, follow directions and heed any evacuation orders
- **SHELTERS** – Baker County, Columbia County and Suwanee County have open shelters

• **TEAMS FIGHTING FIRES STATEWIDE**

- Federal, State and local resources are assisting the Florida Division of Forestry in over 50 counties
- Over 1000 Federal, State and Local personnel are providing support
- Helicopter crews from Georgia and South Carolina are supporting Florida efforts

• **FLORIDIANS CAN JOIN THE TEAM – “ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE TO BE SAFE”**

- **Stay Indoors** - to limit the inhalation of smoke and ash
 - Run your air conditioner with a clean filter and the fresh air intake closed, to prevent additional smoke from entering your home
 - If you are not comfortable in your home seek alternative shelter
 - Check on the elderly and those with respiratory conditions
- **Smoke On Highways** - Motorists should be cautious, turn on lights, slow down, or pull over, but DO NOT stop in the middle of the road
 - For road condition information dial 511
- **Be Careful With Fire** - pay attention to any open fire source including, cigarette butts, fireworks, BBQ pits, and camp fires
- **Protect Your Pets** - move animals inside where possible and evacuate them with your family when directed by officials
- **Be Firewise** - materials such as pine needles and leaves should be cleared off your roof. Remove all brush, mulch and debris 30 feet away from your home and property during high fire conditions

For more information go to: www.FloridaDisaster.org or www.firewise.org

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