

Incident Action Plan

If you see a Python call it in to the Python Hotline: 305-815-2080

**Sunday May 25, 2008 through
Wednesday May 28, 2008
Everglades National Park**



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| Incident Objectives | 1. Incident Name MUSTANG CORNER | 2. Date Prepared 05/24/08 | 3. Time Prepared 1742 |
| 4. Operational Period 05/25/08 Sunday Day Shift 0700 - 1930 | | | |
| 5. General Control Objectives for the incident (include alternatives) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide for fire fighter and public safety. • Limit acreage burned in occupied Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow Habitat. • Confine fire to Everglades National Park Boundaries. • Protect sensitive cultural resource sites. | | | |
| 6. Weather Forecast for Period Scattered thunder showers with possible periods of gusty winds. | | | |
| 7. General Safety Message <h1>Hydrate Hydrate Hydrate</h1> | | | |
| 8. Attachments (mark if attached) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organization List - ICS 203 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Div. Assignment Lists - ICS 204 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications Plan - ICS205 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Plan - ICS 206 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Operations Summary - ICS 220 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Incident Map <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Message <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tailgate Briefing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit Log | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephone List <input type="checkbox"/> Demob List <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 215A <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 9. Prepared by (Planning Section Chief) Tom Lowry | 10. Approved by (Incident Commander) | | |

| ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST | | 9. Operations Section | |
|--|---------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1. Incident Name MUSTANG CORNER | | Day | Brandon Coville (TFLD) |
| 2. Date Prepared 05/24/08 | | 3. Time Prepared 1742 | John Stebner (TFLD (t)) |
| 4. Operational Period 05/25/08 Sunday Day Shift 0700 - 1930 | | a. Branch I - Division/Groups | |
| Position | | Name | |
| 5. Incident Commander and Staff | | Branch Director | |
| Incident Commander | Greg Sanders | Deputy | |
| Deputy | Robert Trincado (t) | Division/Group A | |
| Safety Officer | David Benavitch | Division/Group B | |
| Information Officer | Larry Perez (t) | Division/Group Z | |
| Liaison Officer | | Division/Group IA | |
| | | Division/Group | |
| 6. Agency Representative | | b. Branch II - Division/Groups | |
| Agency | Name | Branch Director | |
| EVP NPS Duty Officer | Tom Ledbetter | Deputy | |
| | | Division/Group | |
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| 7. Planning Section | | c. Branch III - Division/Groups | |
| Chief | Peter Fischer | Branch Director | |
| Deputy | | Deputy | |
| Resources Unit | | Division/Group | |
| Situation Unit | | Division/Group | |
| Documentation Unit | | Division/Group | |
| Demobilization Unit | | Division/Group | |
| Fire Behavior Analyst | | Division/Group | |
| Human Resource Specialist | | d. Air Operations Branch | |
| Training Specialist | | Air Operations Branch Director | |
| GIS Specialist | | Helibase Manager | |
| Computer Specialist | Robert Webb | Air Attack Supervisor | George Sheppard |
| Meteorologist | | Air Support Supervisor | Jack Benzilio |
| | | Helicopter Coordinator | |
| | | Air Tanker Coordinator | |
| 8. Logistics Section | | 10. Finance Section | |
| Chief | | Chief | |
| Deputy | | Deputy | |
| Supply Unit | Peter Dybing | Time Unit | Leandra West |
| Facilities Unit | | Procurement Unit | Laura Seers |
| Ground Support Unit | | Compensation/Claims Unit | |
| Communications Unit | | Cost Unit | Laura Sears |
| Medical Unit | | Prepared by (Resource Unit Leader) | |
| Security Unit | Walter Sellers | Peter Fischer | |
| Fire Cache Manager | Jason Money | | |

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AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY

PREPARED BY: Bob Yeager

PREPARED DATE/TIME: 5/24/08/ 1800

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| 1. INCIDENT NAME: Mustang Corner | 2. OPERATIONAL PERIOD DATE: 5/25/08 START TIME: 0800 END TIME: 2000 SUNRISE: 0635 SUNSET: 2005 |
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| 3. REMARKS (Safety Notes, Hazards, Air Operations Special Equipment, etc.): : "REMEMBER SAFETY IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT MISSION" : WATCH FOR NEWS AIRCRAFT, WE'RE THE BIGGEST SHOW AROUND. : "SEE TFR MAP FOR BOUNDARIES" | 4. MEDEVAC A/C: 129 NH | 5. TFR: Radius: _____ NM Altitude: _____ = MSL Centerpoint: |
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| 6. PERSONNEL | Phone | 7. FREQUENCIES | AM | FM | 8. FIXED-WING | # Avail / Type/ Make-Model / FAA N# / Base(s) |
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| AOBD: | | AIR/AIR FW: | 118.250 | | Airtankers | T-491FF (AT 802) Joe Tivino (Mgr) |
| ATGS: George Sheppard | 239-398-9772 | AIR/AIR RW: | | | Leadplanes | |
| HLCO: | | AIR/GROUND: | | 169.150 | Base FAX #: | |
| ASGS: | | COMMAND: | | | ATGS Aircraft | Cessna (5ER) |
| HEBM: Jack Benzilio | 970-799-1232 | COMMAND RPT | Rx: | Tx: | Other | |
| ATB MGR: | | DECK FREQ: | | 163.100 | | |
| | | TOLC FREQ: | | 168.350 | | |

9. HELICOPTERS (Use Additional Sheets As Necessary)

| FAA N# | TY | MAKE/MODEL | BASE | AVAIL | START | REMARKS | FAA N# | TY | MAKE/MODEL | BASE | AVAIL | START | MISSION/TASK/ ASSIGNMENT |
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| 914HH | 3 | Bell 206B | | | | Ken Rodriguez 786-738-3510 | | | | | | | Recon, Cargo, Water Drops |
| 129NH | 2 | S58T | | | | Doug DeMoss 406-360-0481 | | | | | | | Crew Shuttle, Cargo, Water Drops |
| 03E | 1 | S61 | | | | Rick Jacobs 334-428-3042 | | | | | | | Water Drops |
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| INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN | | 1. Incident Name Mustang Corner Fire | | 2. Date/Time Prepared 5/24/08 | | 3. Operational Period Date/Time 5/25/08 | |
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| 4. BASIC RADIO CHANNEL UTILIZATION | | | | | | | |
| Radio Type/Cache | Channel | Function | Frequency/Tone | Assignment | Remarks | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 1 | Everglades Simplex | RX 172.525 N 292 TX 172.525 N 293 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 2 | LPK Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 555 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 3 | Flamingo Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 4F9 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 4 | Key Largo Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 4A4 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 5 | Pinecrest Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 5B6 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 6 | Ever City Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 61F | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 7 | East Ever Repeater | RX 172.525 N 555 TX 171.625 N 656 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 8 | Fire Simplex | RX 171.775 C/S TX 171.775 N 293 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 9 | Fire Repeater | RX 171.775 N 6F1 TX 172.775 N 6F1 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 10 | E.E. Fire Repeater | RX 171.775 N 6F1 TX 172.775 N 4F9 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 11 | Red | RX 154.265 N 293 TX 154.265 N 293 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 12 | White | RX 154.280 N 293 TX 154.280 N 293 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 13 | Blue | RX 154.295 N 293 TX 154.295 N 293 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 14 | Flight Following | RX 168.650 TX 168.650 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 15 | Weather | RX 162.550 TX 000.000 | | | | |
| King NIFC Narrowband | 16 | Air Guard | RX 168.625 TX 168.625 T 110.9 | | | | |
| 5. Prepared By (Communications Unit) Tim Moore (COMT) 305 338-4172 | | | | | | | |

| Name | Position | Phone | Name | Position | Phone |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---|----------|-----------------|
| COMMAND | | | OPERATIONS | | |
| Sanders, Greg | ICT3 | 540-529-3376 | | | |
| Benavitch, David | SOF1 | | | | |
| PLANNING | | | AIR OPERATIONS | | |
| Fischer, Peter | PSC2 | 304-642-1801 | | | |
| Cooley, Hillary | READ | 305-297-0338 | | | |
| | | | Benzilio, Jack | ASGS | 970 799 1232 |
| | | | Sheppard, George | ATGS | 239-398-9772 |
| FINANCE | | | LOGISTICS | | |
| Laura Seers | PROC | | | | |
| Leandra West | TIME | | | | |
| | | | Communications 479-206-0266 | | |
| | | | Sutton, Orlando | | |
| | | | | ORDM | |
| | | | | GSUL | |
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| | | | Dybing, Peter | SPUL | 404-354-6287 |
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| EVERGLADES FIRE DISPATCH | | 305-242-7850 | | EMTP | 423-310-2051 |
| FAX | | 305-242-7855 | | | |
| EVERGLADES FIRE DISPATCH | | | | | |
| 24 HOURS | | 305-242-7740 | | | |
| FAX | | 305-242-7729 | Miami Dade Fire/Police | Dispatch | 305-595-1201 |
| Dan Kimball | | 305-242-7712 | Florida Highway Patrol | | 305-470-2510 |
| Park Superintendent | | | | | or 305-596-8448 |
| Keith Whisenant | | 305-242-7713 | Miami Dade Fire Dept | | 305-596-8575 |
| Dep. Park Superintendent | | | Miccosukee Fire Dept | | 305-223-8380 |
| Rick Anderson | Landline | 305-242-7853 | Florida DOF | | 954-347-8071 |
| FMO | cell | 305-546-9358 | Gary Lewis | DOF Rep. | 954-347-8059 |
| Tom Ledbetter | Landline | 305-242-7846 | DOF Everglades Dist | | 954-475-4120 |
| Wildfire Suppression | cell | 305-972-4909 | | | or 954-475-4126 |
| Matt Ott | Landline | 305-254-2839 | National Weather Service | | 305-229-4523 |
| East Everglades | cell | 305-972-1683 | South Florida Water Mgt | | 305-377-7274 |
| Station Manager | | | Big Cypress NP | | 239-695-9280 |
| East Everglades Fire Station | | 305-251-7064 | Biscayne NP | | 305-230-1144 |
| | | or 305-251-0614 | | | |
| East Everglades Rangers | | 305-251-6594 | | | |
| | | or 305-251-0614 | | | |

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| MEDICAL PLAN | 1. Incident Name Mustang Corner | 2. Date Prepared 5/24/2008 | 3. Time Prepared 1400 | 4. Operational Period 5/25/08 0700-1930 | |
| 5. Incident Medical Aid Station | | | | | |
| Medical Aid Stations | Location | | | Paramedics Yes No | |
| On-site | Engine will have crew first aid kit and any qualified EMTB's will be used. | | | X | |
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| 6. Transportation | | | | | |
| A. Ambulance Services | | | | | |
| Name | Address | Phone | Paramedics Yes No | | |
| Miami Dade Fire/Air Rescue | Station 16, NW 2 nd Street, Homestead, FL (Medivac) (1 st Hoist alternative) (Venom Response Team 786-336-6600) | 305-596-8571 | X | | |
| AMR Ambulance | 7255 NW 19 th St, Miami, FL. | 305-718-6400 | X | | |
| US Coast Guard | 14750 NW 44 th Court Opalocka (Duty Officer) (2 nd Hoist alternative) | 305-953-2100 | X | | |
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| B. Incident Ambulances | | | | | |
| Name | Location | | | Paramedics Yes No | |
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| 7. Hospitals | | | | | |
| Name | Address | Travel Time Air Ground | Phone | Helipad Yes No | Burn Center Yes No |
| Homestead Hospital | 975 Baptist Way, Homestead, FL | 10 30 | 786-243-8000 | X | X |
| | N 25°28'50" W 80°25'53" | | | | |
| Jackson Memorial | 1611 NW 12 th Avenue, Miami, FL | 20 1 hr | 305-585-1111 | X | X |
| | Level 1 Trauma Capability | | | | |
| | N25°47'31" W80°12'44" | | | | |
| Baptist Hospital | 8900 North Kendall Dr., Miami | 20 1hr | 786-596-1960 | X | X |
| | N25°40'01" W80°19'59" | | | | |
| Campbell Urgent Care Clinic | 1855 NE 8 th St., Homestead, FL 33033 | | 20 305-242-8025 <u>Not</u> a Hospital | | |
| 8. Medical Emergency Procedures | | | | | |
| Report all injuries to Line Supervisors. Line Supervisors will notify Park Communications Center (784) of nature and severity of the medical emergency. They will request that the nearest EMT/First Responder respond to the scene. Communications will follow standard park operations in arranging for additional medical aid and transportation as needed. Do not use the injured person's name on the radio. Communications network will be clear of all traffic until the medical emergency is finished. | | | | | |
| Prepared by: /s/ /s/ Shanna F. Ellis/MEDL | | | 10. Reviewed by Safety Officer: /s/ Glenn Stapleton/SOF1 | | |

WEATHER FORECAST (Issued 5/24/08 1700)**Forecast #9 5/25/2008 DAY****Mustang Corner Everglades National Park**

John Pendergrast- Incident Meteorologist

WEATHER DISCUSSION: High pressure will build into south Florida early this week. This will bring some drying with onshore flow keeping RH values above critical levels each afternoon. Easterly flow from the ocean through midweek will allow for a chance of showers; perhaps a storm daily after Monday.

WEATHER FORECAST DAY (Night):***Breezy this afternoon*****GENERAL:** Partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers (*Partly cloudy. 20 percent chance of showers*).**TEMPERATURES:** 87 (70-72) **HUMIDITY:** Minimum humidity 48% (*Recovery to 97-100%*)*24 HOUR TREND: 2 lower 24 HOUR TREND: 6 lower***20 FT WINDS:** NE 11 to 16 mph with afternoon gusts to 22 mph. (NE 8 to 12 mph.)**STABILITY/INVERSION:** Minimal inversion. Afternoon mixing height around 4600 ft. Dispersion index 50. Haines Index 4. (*No Inversion. Dispersion index 9.*)**OUTLOOK FOR SUNDAY**

Partly cloudy. A chance of showers. High temperature mid 80s. Minimum RH 52 percent.

Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent.

EXTENDED FORECAST:**TUESDAY** Mostly sunny.. Highs near 86. Winds East around 10 mph.**WEDNESDAY** Mostly sunny.. Highs near 88. NE winds between 6 mph 10 mph.**THURSDAY** Partly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80's. Winds East 10 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent.**FRIDAY** Partly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80's. Winds SE 10 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent. **FIRE BEHAVIOR** (Issued 5/24/08 1900)

Jon Wallace (T)- FBAN

Mustang Corner Everglades National Park**Forecast #9 5/25/2008 DAY**

General: Fire activity will be minimal on the Mustang Corner fire today. Over the next several days high pressure will build over the area which will create generally an onshore flow through the week. This is the normal weather pattern for this area during this time of the year. Fuel conditions/Fire danger will remain at critical levels until precipitation deficits have been reduced. Fire potential will be moderate for the next week because of higher humidity values.

Specific:

Division A, B and Z: Fire will continue to smolder in hammocks until sufficient rainfall occurs. Flame lengths and rates of spread in hammocks will be minimal due to extensive mop-up which has already taken place.

Initial Attack: Lightning activity was heavy over the last several days. Many of these strikes received less than ¼ inch of precipitation. If lightning hit a receptive fuel bed, fires could be smoldering and as humidity drops and winds increase these fires could begin to move. When fire burns in Grass fuels expect rates of spread up to 100 chains per hour with fires moving to the west-southwest with the prevailing wind. If fire enters melaleuca areas expect spotting of up to 0.3 miles. Fire in dense melaleuca stands will move quickly into the crowns and produce prolific spots.

It is important to remember that in south Florida fire often burns across the top of water when sawgrass is present. Just because you see water under the grass, don't assume the fire is going to stop.

Heavy fuels (treated exotic species) will burn readily with 1000 hour dead fuel moistures of 15%.

Spread Rates/Spotting/Flame lengths: Grasses: Rates of spread: Heads (50-100 ch) Flanks (9-15) and Backing (4).

Flame lengths: Heads (10-20') Flanks (4-6') and Backing (<4'). **Hammocks:** these will burn slowly with low flame lengths pre-treating upper branches, which can then torch out with flame lengths of 5-10' above the brush. Spotting up to 0.3 miles is possible in timber. POI: 40%

FIRE BEHAVIOR - CONTINUED (Issued 5/24/08 1900)

Jon Wallace (T) - FBAN

Mustang Corner Everglades National Park**Forecast #9 5/25/2008 DAY**

Air operations: No inversion will occur on Sunday. There should be no impediments to flight operations other than gusty winds.

Safety:

Don't underestimate potential fire behavior where you are working. Fires in light flashy fuels, like sawgrass, are one of the common denominators of tragedy fires.

When performing initial attack re-assess escape routes and safety zones continuously throughout the day.

Fire has the potential to spot out of hammocks and into grass fuels again. With the high forecast winds any fire in sawgrass will move rapidly.

Pocket Card Thresholds: Temperature: >85 degrees, RH < 40%, 20' winds >12 mph, KBDI > 650, Dispersion Index >70

This forecast will be valid through Wednesday with the current weather Forecast.

 SAFETY MESSAGE

Dave Benavitch - Safety Officer

Mustang Corner Everglades National Park**5/25/2008 DAY****Major Hazards and Risks:*****Hazardous plants*****Hot weather conditions*****Driving****Narrative:**

With the exception of the military, you're part of the largest group of people which can be quickly mobilized in the USA. It's beginning to look like its going to be a long summer with mayor fires taking place all over the country. The National Weather Service is predicting 4 major hurricanes developing this summer. Your efforts are going to be needed. Take care of yourself and stay in shape. Treat all injuries and illnesses promptly.

Drink fluids before, during and after work. Your body is working extremely hard to keep up with the hot conditions out on the fire line. Give it all the help you can.

The occurrence of poison wood cases is increasing. The best prevention is to exchange nomex and/or turn your clothes in to supply for laundry service to remove the oils from clothing.

Drive defensively and plan for the unexpected. Don't use your cell phone while driving, your attention is divided and driving safely demands all your attention. If you must take the call, pull off the road and stop.

Three of the four common denominators of fire behavior on tragedy fires apply to the Mustang Corner fire...1. Working on relatively small fires or deceptively quiet areas of large fires. 2. Working in relatively light fuels, such as grass, herbs and light brush. 3. Fires respond quickly to shifts in wind direction or wind speed.

YOUR safety is our NUMBER ONE goal.

 PYTHON HOTLINE**305-815-2080**

Please call the hotline when you see a Burmese python and give the coordinates.

