## Honey Prairie Complex G4-OKR-000001 Incident Action Plan Operational Period Wednesday <br> October 5, 2011 0800-2000 Incident Commander Steve Gray Bryce Thomas (T) <br> Accounting Codes

FWS - 9141-F25M-2J
BLM - F25M

NPS - 5023 F25M E11
USF S - PRF25M_1502
Initial Attack - F4PM

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Letter from GFC Incident Commander:
To: All Honey Prairie Incident Personnel
As a Type 3 Incident Commander, I am committed to a policy of "zero tolerance" of inappropriate behavior during incident operations. Any form of harassment, discriminatory practices, or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.

Guidelines on in-appropriate behavior both "on Duty" and "off Duty" while assigned are addressed within each agencies policies. Our Team expects all incident personnel to follow established government policies for behavior along with all Illegal drug and alcohol directives.

Our Incident Management Team endorses and supports an attitude of mutual respect for all personnel and the public we serve.

We expect a strong work ethic and an attitude of Safety at all times!
Sincerely,
/s/ Steve Gray
Incident Commander
Type 3 Incident Management Team

| INCIDENT OBJECTIVES | 1. INCIDENT NAME <br> Honey Prairie <br> Complex | 2. DATE PREPARED <br> $10 / 04 / 11$ | 3. TIME PREPARED <br> 1700 |
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| 4. OPERATIONAL PERIOD (DATE/TIME) |  |  |  |
| Wednesday, October 5, 2011 |  |  |  |
| $0800-2000$ |  |  |  |







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FORECAST NO:
PREDICTION FOR:
SHIFT DATE:
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151
Day Shift
Wednesday 10/05/11

NAME OF FIRE: Honey Prairie Complex
UNIT: Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge

SIGNED: Joel Rothfuss, IMET

WEATHER DISCUSSION: High pressure will remain north of the area with continued dry weather conditions. Developing low pressure well to the south will increase the pressure gradient and the northeast to east winds. Minimum relative humidity values will still be near critical levels again today but will be higher Thursday.

TODAY: Mostly Sunny.

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MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES:
    82-85
    28 to 32%
MINIMUM HUMIDITY:
20 FT WINDS:
STABILITY/INVERSION:
TRANSPORT WINDS:
DISPERSION INDEX:
CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION:
LIGHTNING ACTIVITY LEVEL:
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28 to 32\%
Northeast 2 to 5 mph , becoming east to northeast 7 to 10 mph
with gusts to $13-15 \mathrm{mph}$ in the afternoon.
5600 feet
East 14 mph
58, Generally Good
5\%
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## TONIGHT:

Mostly clear. Low temperature 50-53. Light winds northeast 2 to 5 mph .

Thursday: Partly cloudy. Possible late afternoon isolated showers on east side of fire.

MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES:
MINIMUM HUMIDITY:
20 FT WINDS:
STABILITYIINVERSION:
TRANSPORT WINDS:
DISPERSION INDEX:
CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION:
LIGHTNING ACTIVITY LEVEL:

81-83 ${ }^{\circ}$
40-45\%
Northeast $5-8 \mathrm{mph}$ becoming East to Northeast 10 to 13 mph in the afternoon with gusts 16 to 18 mph .
5700 feet
Northeast 15 mph .
59, Generally Good.
10\%
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EXTENDED FORECAST: High pressure north of the area with low pressure developing south. East winds increase with a slight chance of rain showers Friday. Mostly cloudy Saturday and Sunday with a chance of showers and possible thunderstorms.

|  | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| SKY/WEATHER | Partly Cloudy with a <br> slight chance of <br> showers | Mostly Cloudy with <br> a chance of <br> showers and <br> isolated <br> thunderstorms | Mostly Cloudy with <br> a chance of <br> showers and <br> thunderstorms |
| THUNDERIPRECIP | $20 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| 20 FT. WINDS | Northeast to east 10 <br> to 13 mph with gusts <br> to 20 mph | Northeast to east <br> 11 to 14 mph with <br> gusts to 20-23 <br> mph | East 10 to 12 mph <br> with gusts to 20 <br> mph |
| MIN/MAX | $55 / 82$ | $58 / 80$ | $60 / 78$ |
| Relative Humidity | $33-38 \%$ | 45 to $50 \%$ | 50 to 55\% |


| FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fire: Honey Prairie Complex | Unit: GA-OKR-000001 | Prediction for Day Shift |
| Forecast \#151 Issued: 10/4/2011 1600 hrs | Signed: David Fogler |  |
| GENERAL FIRE BEHAVIOR | Shift Date: Wednesday 10/5/2011 |  |
| Fuels around the Okefenokee Wildlife Refuge are predominately Fuel Model 7 (Southern Rough). Large to moderate <br> acreage tracts of commercial timberland are mixed in throughout the entire perimeter surrounding the refuge. Fast <br> moving wildfires with extremely high flame lengths and rapid rates of spread occur within and around the swamp. |  |  |

Indicators/Threshold for Increased Fire Activity

- Relative humidity below 45\%
- Winds above 10 mph
- Heavy fuel loadings
- Fine dead fuel moisture 8\% or less
- Dispersion above 70
* Items in BOLD ITALICS are predicted to occur today*


## SPECIFIC FIRE BEHAVIOR

> Interior smoldering may become active burning with flare ups and re-burn possible.
$>$ Expect fire to continue smoldering with potential open flame as heated areas are fanned by winds. Backing fire will progress in organic leaf mats, muck soils, and un-burnt shrubs in the Refuge Wilderness swamp area.

LIGHTNING ACTIVITY LEVEL 1

|  | Rates of Spread | Flame Length | Spotting Distance | Firebrand I Innition |
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| Winds at 6-9 mph | Winds will be brisk from the Northeast - East |  |  |  |
| Small PL Pines (4) | 35-60 ch/hr | $14-18 \mathrm{ft}$ | UP to 2/10 MILE | 66\% |
| Southern Rough (7) | 15-25 ch/hr | $4-6 \mathrm{ft}$ | UP to 2/10 MILE | 66\% |
| Reburn (9) | 4-8 ch/hr | 2-3 ft | UP to 2/10 MILE | 66\% |
| Shrub Fuels (sh8) | 10-17 ch/hr | 7-9 ft | UP to 2/10 MILE | 66\% |

One hour fine dead fuel moisture is $5 \%$ for Wednesday: Smoldering in the duff and larger fuels will continue. 1,000 hour fuels remain drier than normal for this time of year. Re-burn potential is likely due to lower humidity's in the areas that have received minimal rainfall. The uncontrolled fire edge in the Wilderness swamp will continue to burn through organic soils, leaf litter and downed woody material. If contiguous fuels are ignited, spread and spotting potential will increase due to lower humidity and higher winds

NOTE- OTHER THAN THE RE-BURN, FIRE BEHAVIOR CALCULATIONS ARE FOR FIRES IN UNBURNED FUELS INCLUDING NEW IA STARTS.

## All Divisions:

The fire continues a slow spread through the thick bays and muck soils. Roots and fallen trees are protecting heat sources allowing the fire to burn organic soils from the bottom up. Keep a heads-up for falling trees. Re-burn potential is likely.
Air Operations: Expect an increase in smoke from the fire.

## SAFETY:

Brisk Winds - Watch for increasing winds throughout the afternoon
Live Trees/SNAGS - are falling in all Divisions and will be influenced by Increased winds.
FUELS: Watch for pockets of cured shrubs or blankets of needle cast. Re-burn is possible in some area. 1,000 and 10,000 hour fuels as well as deep duff pockets are providing a heat source. 100 and 1000 hour fuels are still below average in moisture content. Stay focused, and put LCES in place before starting operations.

Energy Release Component (ERC) is running WELL ABOVE AVERAGE for this time of year.

INCIDENT: Honey Prairie Fire
DATE: 10/05/2011
TIME: 0800
Major Hazards and Risks: PPE
Traffic in fire area Complacency

PPE - You must wear all appropriate PPE while on fire line. When you get out of your vehicle, you must put on your Hardhat, and wearing your fire shirts and fire pants. If you are on a nozzle you must have eye protection, and it is recommended that working with ground fires that you wear goggles with wrap around protection. J ust remember if you get out of the truck yeller up!

Traffic in fire area - Logging operations are going on in the area which will increase the congestion in the fire area, use caution and watch for trucks, skidders and other logging equipment. In addition to the Logging operation is the road construction with lots of obstructions in the roadway. Continue to scan ahead, slow down and communicate hazards to others.

Complacency - We have several days with the same weather and fire conditions. We have a tendency to make this a routine or we get complacent. Remember to think what if! Keep your head in the game, and be professional in your actions.


## LCES

LCES must be established and known to
ALL firefighters BEFORE it is needed.

## Lookout(s) <br> Communication(s) <br> Escape Route(s)

- More than one escape route
- Avoid steep uphill escape routes
- Scouted for loose soils, rocks, vegetation
- Timed considering slowest person, fatigue, and temperature factors
- Marked for day or night
- Evaluate escape time vs. rate of spread
- Vehicles parked for escape

Safety Zone(s)

IRPG Page 6
Safety Officers: Tommy Hawkins, Lenny Kempf

| INCIDENT ACTION PLAN SAFETY ANALYSIS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1. Incident Name <br> Honey Prairie Fire | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} \hline \text { 2. Date } \\ 10 / 5 / 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | 3. Time Day Shift |
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| LCES* Analysis of Tactical ApplicationsLookouts Communications Escape routes Safety zones |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Other Risk Analysis |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{n}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{n} \\ & \frac{0}{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | LCES Mitigations | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \stackrel{y y}{*} \\ \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{6} \\ \stackrel{y}{6} \end{array}$ | 㖪 |  |  |  | Other Risk Mitigations |
|  | 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 14 | $\begin{aligned} & 2, \\ & 6, \\ & 11, \\ & 15, \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 12, \\ & 20, \\ & 26 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 14 | $\begin{aligned} & 7, \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{\|l} 2, \\ 3, \\ 5, \\ 6, \\ 20, \\ 21, \\ 24, \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \\ 2, \\ 23, \\ 28 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1.Establish \& maintain LCES. Report LCES checks twice daily to DIVS on line \& staging. <br> 2. Look UP,DOWN and AROUND <br> 3. Post experienced Lookouts. Make sure LCES is in place and make known. <br> 4. Use Aerial Resources as Lookout if available. | 24 | $\begin{aligned} & 12 \\ & 17 \\ & 19 \\ & 20 \\ & 22, \\ & 26, \\ & 27 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1, \\ & 3, \\ & 10 \\ & 14 \\ & 19 \\ & 24 \\ & 25 \end{aligned}$ | 16 18 21 |  | 16. Take adequate rest breaks and encourage to drink water NOW through briefings. <br> 17. Defensive driving will be addressed in all briefings. <br> 18. All personnel must meet the $2: 1$ work/rest ratio. Line supervisors and Safety will <br> monitor closely. <br> 19. Notify Operation and Safety of Railroad track issues to ensure safety of <br> firefighters. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5. Flag escape routes on right side of escape route facing outward. Create new escape routes as you progress and identify Safety Zones on the ground and maps. <br> 6. Identify, mark \& mitigate. <br> 7. FBAN/Meteorologist to monitor weather updates and advisories. <br> 8. Ensure Fireline is Anchored to black or manmade/natural barrier. |  |  |  |  |  | 20. Ensure Traffic Planning is safe and enforced. Heed Defensive Driving techniques noted in Safety Messages. <br> 21. Relocate staging area when driving conditions warrant. <br> 22. Use spotter when backing vehicle(s). <br> 23. For insects, use protective spray with deet on skin (Not on Nomex), permethrin can be used on nomex clothing |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10. Keep Firefighters informed of any changes in predicted weather, consider at least a two day weather pattern when planning Strategic Firing operations. <br> 11. Refer to IRPG, pg. 12 on Power Line Hazards. <br> 12. Observe all traffic signals and speed limits. Drive with lights on. <br> 14. Ensure GOOD tailgate briefings with resources unable to attend Operational Briefing (Include Ops, Logs, Fin \& Plans info.). |  |  |  |  |  | 24. Establish smoke/fog signs on roadways. Coordinate with Department of Transportation. <br> 25.Follow establish communication plan, flight follow through dispatch <br> 26. Watch-out for school buses and for children along the edge of roadway and crossing the road. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15. Scout ahead of tractor operations to avoid making contact with power poles and guide wires when tying into roads. Power companies are working in some DIVS, avoid all down lines as they may become charged. |  |  |  |  |  | 27. Treat all intersections as 4-way stops <br> 28. Bears, Gators, and some snakes are dangerous. Do not approach or feed wildlife at any time. |
|  | pared |  | a | Po |  |  | ICS | 215A | A $\quad$ Tommy Hawkins/ Lenny Kempf; SOF |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 1. INCIDENT NAME: Honey Prairie | 2. OPS PERIOD DATE: October 5, 2011 | START TIME: $0830$ | END TIME: $2000$ | SUNRISE: $0726$ | SUNSET: $1912$ |
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| 3. REMARKS (Safety Notes, Hazards, Air Operations Special Equipment, etc ALL FLIGHT REQUESTS GO DIRECTLY TO HELIBASE Afternoon thunderstorms NOTE: Latitude/Longitude format is "Degrees-Minutes-Decimal Minutes" (example: N30 41.42 W082 33.97) |  |  |  | $\mathbf{Y}$ 5. TF <br>  $\mathcal{S E E}$ | Canceled 7/27/11 avo ID!!! |


| PERSONNEL | NAME | PHONE \# | FREQUENCIES | AM | FM | AIRTANKERS / LEAD PLANES - None Available |
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| HEB2 <br> Waycross HB | Melvin Tate Desk <br>  Cell | $\begin{aligned} & 912-287-4479 \\ & 850 \cdot 849 \cdot 0405 \end{aligned}$ | AIRI AIR | 122.375 |  |  |
| ABRO | Darold Wilfiams Desk Cell | $\begin{aligned} & 912.287 .4479 \\ & 386.383 .6288 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | OTHER: <br> Waycross Airport Helibase: 912-287-4479 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Waycross Airport Helibase Fax: 912-287-4458 ICP Helispot is Waycross Airport Helibase |
|  |  |  | Georgia AIR/GRND <br> (Smokey - Dozers) |  | 159.285 W | Okefenokee Dispatch: 912-496-7366 X230 |
|  |  |  | AIR/GROUND PRIMARY |  | 166.9375 | Waycross Airport: N 31 16.16 10 W82 33.38 |
|  |  |  | AIR/GROUND ALTERNATE |  | 166.9000 | BERGANZA HELISPOT N 31 07.22 W082 15.22 * don't use unless cleared with AOBD. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | POGO HELISPOT: N30 44.03 W082 07.41 |
|  |  |  | AIR GUARD |  | 168.625 T 110.9 |  |

9. HELICOPTERS (Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

| FAA N\# | TY | MAKEI <br> MODEL | BASE | AVAIL | MANAGER | FAA N\# | T | MAKE/ MODEL | BASE | AVAIL | MANAGER |
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| 351 CH | 3 | AS350-B3 | Waycross | 0830 | Robert Dodgen 970-799-1176 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 699RH | 1 | K-max | Waycross | 0830 | Tracy Dott (805) 722-0170 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. TASK/ MISSION/ ASSIGNMENT (Type/ function includes: Air Tactical, Retardant, Recon, Personnel Transport, Bucket Operations, SAR, etc. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TYPE/FU | CTIO |  | NAME OF PERSONNEL OR CARGO (If applicable) or instructions for tactical aircraft |  |  |  | MISSION START |  |  | FLY FROM | FLY TO |
| Bucket O |  |  | 699RH |  |  |  | As Requested |  |  | Waycross |  |
| Recon |  |  | 351 CH |  |  |  | As Requested |  |  | Waycross |  |
| Medevac |  |  | 351 CH |  |  |  | As Requested |  |  | Waycross |  |


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| $\begin{gathered} \text { Ch } \\ \# \end{gathered}$ | Function | Channel Name | Assignment | RX Freq | NW | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{RX} \\ \text { Tone/NAC } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | TX Freq | N W | TX Tone/NAC | Mode $A, D$ or $M$ | Remarks |
| 1 | Command | West Okee Repeater | Sec West Branch CMD | 167.1250 | N | 156.7 | 163.1500 | N | 156.7 | A | Stephen Foster State Park |
| 2 | Command | South Okee Repeater | Sec East/West Branch CMD | 164.7750 | N | 123.0 | 163.1500 | N | 123.0 | A | Eddy Florida |
| 3 | Command | East Okee Repeater | PRIMARY East Branch CMD | 164.6250 | N | 103.5 | 163.1500 | N | 103.5 | A | Refuge Headquarters |
| 5 | Command | North Okee Repeater | PRIMARYNorth Branch CMD | 164.5750 | N | 206.5 | 163.1500 | N | 206.5 | A | Waycross |
| 6 | Air-Ground | Air to Ground | PRIMARY | 166.9375 | N | CSQ | 166.9375 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 7 | Tactical | MOB-MOB | GFC Contingency | 159.3900 | W | CSQ | 159.3900 | W | 156.7 | A |  |
| 8 | Tactical | V-Fire 21W WHITE | West group Secondary | 154.2800 | W | CSQ | 154.2800 | W | 156.7 | A |  |
| 9 | Tactical | USFS 9 | East/West Groups | 168.7750 | N | CSQ | 168.7750 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 10 | Tactical | S.E. Compact |  | 159.2850 | W | CSQ | 159.2850 | W | CSQ | A |  |
| 11 | Tactical | USFS 11 | East Group Secondary | 168.2000 | N | CSQ | 168.2000 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 12 | Tactical | Refuge Tac 1 | East Group | 168.3500 | N | CSQ | 168.3500 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 13 | Tactical | FL 190 |  | 151.2725 | N | CSQ | 151.2725 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 15 | Air-Ground | Air to Ground | SECONDARY | 166.9000 | N | CSQ | 166.9000 | N | CSQ | A |  |
| 16 | EMERGENCY | AIR Guard | Air OPS. | 168.6250 | N | CSQ | 168.6250 | N | 110.9 | A |  |
| Prepared by (Communications Unit) Ronnie Sumler COML Incident Dispatcher: 404-772-5384 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cloning at ICP communications and briefings, |  |  |  |  |

The convention calls for frequency lists to show four digits after the decimal place, followed by either an " N " or a " W ", depending on whether the frequency is narrow or wide band. Mode refers to either "A" or "D" indicating analog or digital (e.g. Project 25) or " M " indicating mixed mode. All channels are shown as if programmed in a control station, base stations, mobile or portable radio.


|  | Incident | HONEY PRAIR <br> Communication | PHONE LIST <br> (Hours: | 0800-2000) | $\begin{gathered} 10 / 04 / 11 \\ 912-286-1660 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
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| AGENCY | OFFICIALS |  | OPERATIONS |  |  |
| Curt McCasland | 602-359-0013 | USFWS AA | Bryce Thomas (T) | 850-625-6634 |  |
| Mindy Gautreaux | 912-282-7500 | USFWS Deputy AA |  |  |  |
| Frank Sorrells | 912-381-7503 | GFC AA | DIVISIONS |  |  |
| James Karels | 850-228-7763 | FL DOF AA | Brent McCarty | 229-938-8718 | West Group |
| Diane Adams | 912-266-5421 | GEMA | John Molve (T) | 404-772-5553 | West Group |
| Mike Housh | 404-772-5380 | USFWS AREP |  |  |  |
| Bruce Young | 912-390-0147 | Charlton EMA |  |  |  |
| COMMAND - IC |  |  | AIR OPERATIONS |  |  |
| Steve Gray | 770-655-8002 | Incident Commander | Melvin Tate | 850-849-0405 | HEB1 |
| Bryce Thomas | 850-625-6634 | ICT3 (T) |  | 912-287-4479 | WAYCROSS AIRPORT |
| RESOURCE | ADVISORS |  | LANDOWNERS |  |  |
| Ron Phernetton | 912-276-2349 | Resource Advisor | Jim Barrett | 229-356-1993 | Langdale/GOAL Chairman |
| Rocky Chesser | 912-276-3232 | Resource Advisor | Wesley Langdale | 229-220-2602 | Langdale |
| Reggie Forcine | 912-614-4041 | Resource Advisor | Hal Rowe | 229-412-3133 | Langdale |
| INFORMATION | 912-496-2566 |  | Langdale Office | 229-242-7450 | Langdale Office |
| Art Webster |  | Fire Information | Mike Conlon | 386-365-3882 | Rayonier Unit Supervisor |
| SAFETY OFFICERS |  |  | Ray Carter | 386-288-6626 | Rayonier |
| Tommy Hawkins | 404-558-4476 | LEAD SOF | Ed Carter | 386-288-6626 | Rayonier |
| Lenny Kempf | 715-661-0728 | LINE SOF | Doug Nuss | 912-390-1037 | Rayonier |
| DISPATCH |  |  | Randall McCrady | 912-283-4077 | Rayonier |
| Okeefenokee Dsp | 912-496-7366 | Okeefenokee | Colin Myerson | 229-506-1565 | Superior Pine Products Co |
| Suwannee Dispatch | 386-758-5700 | Fla wildfires, other | Robbie Lee | 229-356-0526 | Superior Pine Products Co |
| Honey Prairie Dspth | 404-772-5384 | Honey Prairie ICP | Superior Pine Office | 912-637-5261 | Superior Pine Products Co |
| Waycross Dispatch | 912-287-4915 | Ga wildfires, other | Al Alexander | 850-843-0104 | The Forestry Co |
| GA DNR | 1-800-241-4113 | Hunting Issues | Savell Schmidt | 850-843-1181 | The Forestry Co |
| LOGISTICS | 912-287-6540 | fax 912-287-6542 | John Bogue | 850-843-1192 | The Forestry Co |
| Steve Blackwell | 423-605-3793 | LSC (T) | Joe Hopkins | 912-276-0911 | Toledo Timber |
| Lindel Gregory | 404-772-5401 | Security | Chris Gowan | 912-276-0965 | Toledo Timber |
| Rusty Brown | 478-973-6231 | FACL (T)/BCMG (T) | Martin Bell | 912-283-0583 | Swamp Park |
| James (Ronnie) Sumler | 850-361-9163 | COML | Crystal Peeples | 352-316-0632 | FIA |
| James Chappell | 404-772-5318 | GSUL (T) | Steve Davis | 912-614-1828 | Davis Community |
| James Chappell | 404-772-5318 | EQPM (T) | Trevor Fortner | 912-599-9271 | Little Suwannee |
| James Chappell | 404-772-5318 | RCDM (T) | Tim Jarrell | 912-223-7120 | Hancock Forest Mgmt. |
| David Moore | 513-616-9192 | EMT | RAILROADS |  |  |
| Tracy Stelman | 209-352-0548 | SPUL | Norfolk Southern | 800-453-2530 |  |
| PLANNING | 912-287-6565 | FAX 912-287-6541 | Sid Moody | 904-318-7983 | Norfolk Southern Railroad |
| Dave Fogler | 352-442-2895 | PSC2 /SITL | Chad Edwards | 404-582-4909 | Norfolk Southern Railroad |
| JD Rothfuss | 240-778-5019 | IMET | Eric Sams | 904-576-9907 |  |
| Chuck Norvell | 912-287-6565 | RESL/DMOB | Emergency Dispatch | 404-529-1597 | Norfolk Southern Railroad |
| FINANCE | 912-287-6544 | FAX 912-287-6564 | CSX Randy Dixon | 912-270-0699 |  |
| Amy Treadwell | 912-287-6544 | FSC2 | CSX Dispatch | 800-232-0144 |  |
| Fredrick Cheeks | 256-497-8334 | Purchasing Agent |  |  |  |
|  | 912-287-6557 | Buying Team Fax | COUNTY |  |  |
| All Contractors | 912-287-6568 | All Contractors |  | 912-496-7229 | Charlton County EMA |
| FEDERAL Federal |  |  | John F. Meyer - | 912-496-2549 | Charlton County Commissioners |
| Okefenokee Fire Shop | 912-496-4181 |  | Dobie Conner | 912-496-7321 | Charlton County Sheriff |
| Okefenokee NWR HQ | 912-496-7366 |  | Jesse Booth | 912-520-0061 | Clinch County EMA |
| Okefenokee NWR | 912-637-5322 |  | Jonathan Daniel | 912-281-5158 | Ware County EMA |
| Okefenokee Visitor | 912-496-7836 |  | Jessie Jordan | 912-816-6063 | Ware County Fire Dept |
| STATE | State |  | Joe Morris | 912-281-6020 | Ware County Sheriff |
| GFC Fargo Office | 912-637-5270 |  | Robbie Sutton | 912-599-9027 | Tri County 911 |
| GFC Satilla District | 912-287-4915 |  | Georgia State Patrol | 912-287-6500 |  |
| Jason Gillis | 912-314-9233 | GFC Satilla Mgr. | Travis Griffin | 912-281-5790 | Laura Walker State Park |


| RequestN | ResourceName | KindCode | UnitID | TravelMethod | Jetport | DemobDate |
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| E-1318 | MENOMINEE ENGINE | ENG6 | WIMEA | AOV |  | 10/05/2011 |
| E-1318.2 | GUZMAN, JAIME | FFT2 | WIMEA | AOV |  | 10/05/2011 |
| E-1318.1 | WAUKAU, ADAM | ENGB | WIMEA | AOV |  | 10/05/2011 |
| O-1318 | FRANCO, RAYMOND | TFLD | IDSCS | AIR | SUN | 10/05/2011 |
| O-1327 | STANLEY, DONALD | ENGB | MDCAP | AIR | MDT | 10/06/2011 |
| A-83.11 | MERRILL, KEVIN | HMGB | NMCIF | AIR | ABQ | 10/06/2011 |
| O-1326 | KEMPF, LEONARD | SOF2 | WICNF | AIR | CWA | 10/06/2011 |
| E-1412 | FFS SUMLER VAN | VAN | FLFLS | AOV |  | 10/06/2011 |
| E-1319 | ENG6 6140 | ENG6 | WIAIP | AOV |  | 10/06/2011 |
| E-1319.4 | LARSEN, MICHAEL | ENGB | WIAIP | AIR | DLH | 10/06/2011 |
| E-1319.6 | STREZISHAR, JAMES | FFT2 | WICNF | AIR | CWA | 10/06/2011 |
| E-1396.2 | LONGFELLOW, JASON | ENGB | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| O-1315 | STELMAN, TERESA (TRACY) | SPUL | CASTF | AIR | SMF | 10/07/2011 |
| E-13952 | SHEWEY, CHARLES | ENGB | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| A-83 | AS 350 B3 \#351CH | HEL3 | NMCIF | AIR | ABQ | 10/07/2011 |
| E-1395.1 | LAMBERT, JOHNATHAN | ENOP | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| E-1396 | B-114 FL ENG6 | ENG6 | FLFLS |  |  | 10/07/2011 |
| E-1396.1 | REDDISH, MARK | ENOP | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| O-1302 | CARTER, DAVID | STEN | FLFLS | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| O-1112 | WILLIAMS, DAROLD | ABRO | FLFIC | POV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| O-1245 | CHEEKS, FREDERICK | BUYL | ALALF | AOV |  | 10/07/2011 |
| O-1300 | THOMAS, BRYCE | ICT3 | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/08/2011 |
| E-1389 | FLFLS THOMAS PU | PU | FLFLS | AOV |  | 10/08/2011 |
| O-1301 | GREGORY, LINDEL | SECM | MOOZP | AOV |  | 10/08/2011 |
| E-1394.1 | BASS, LELAND | STEN | GAGAS |  |  | 10/08/2011 |
| O-1312 | DORMINEY, ROBERT | TPOP | FLFNF | AOV |  | 10/09/2011 |
| E-1416 | HAWKINS PU | PU | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/09/2011 |
| O-1296 | MENDOZA JR, BENNY | HECM | NMCIF | AIR | ABQ | 10/09/2011 |
| E-1414 | BLACKWELL PU WALKER 31 | PU | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| O-1328 | GRAY, J. STEVE | ICT3 | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1391.2 | SMITH, MATTHEW | FFT2 | GAPDR | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1393.2 | SOSEBEE, TIMOTHY | FFT2 | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1393.1 | KEENE, ANTHONY (TONY) | ENGB | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1391 | FWS GAPDR 51 | ENG6 | GAPDR | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1393 | GA ENG6 POLK 86 | ENG6 | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| O-1324 | BLACKWELL, STEPHEN | GSUL | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1391.1 | MASON, JOHN | ENGB | GAPDR | AOV |  | 10/10/2011 |
| E-1418 | LANIER 70 | DOZ3 | GAGAS |  |  | 10/11/2011 |
| O-1186 | BURKHART, JAMES | PIO2 | GAOKR | AOV |  | 10/11/2011 |
| E-1421 | NORVELL PU | PU | GAGAS |  |  | 10/11/2011 |
| O-1331 | NORVELL, RAYMOND | RESL | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/11/2011 |
| E-1418.1 | LANIER 60 | TRTL | GAGAS |  |  | 10/11/2011 |
| E-1418.2 | MCINTOSH, STEWART | TPOP | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/11/2011 |
| E-1420 | ATCO 71 | TPL3 | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1419.1 | BRANTLEY 62 | TRTL | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1427 | MERKISON PU | PU | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| O-1333 | MERKISON, ROBERT (WES) | TFLD | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1420.2 | HARPER, DEREK | TPOP | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1417 | APPLING 72 | TPL3 | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1417.2 | YAWN, JOSH | TPOP | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1419.2 | SMITH, DAVID | TPOP | GAGAS | AOV |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1419 | BRANTLY 72 | TPL3 | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| O-1291 | HULSIZER, VICKIE | TIME | IDIPF | AIR | GEG | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1417.1 | APPLING 62 | TRTL | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |
| E-1420.1 | ATCO 61 | TRTL | GAGAS |  |  | 10/12/2011 |

## Hunter Encounters and Confrontations

Bear, Archery, and Muzzle Loader season is now open. Crews are likely to encounter hunters either hunting or scouting in the area of the Swamp Edge Break. Bear Hunter will be running dogs and chasing the pack in vehicles on narrow dusty roads to intercept bears. Use Caution traveling as hunters may not be paying attention and traveling at excessive speeds.

Avoid contact as much as possible. The least amount of impact we have on their hunting area the better off we will be. Expect many questions about the fire operations and how long the fire will continue to burn. It's a good idea to review the Fire Information section of the plan for a good explanation of what to expect in the coming months.
The majority of the hunters will be friendly but should you have a confrontation with someone:

1. Politely excuse yourself and leave the area immediately;
2. Notify your supervisor;
3. Notify the Security Manager by radio or phone:

SECM - Lindel Gregrory 404-772-5401
Or
GA DNR Gary Simmons 912-282-2406 Cell
4. If necessary, call the Georgia DNR at 1-800-241-4113 with a description of the person, vehicle and Tag number, and the nature of the confrontation. Georgia DNR will send an officer to handle the situation.

1. Public and firefighter safety remains the top priority for this incident.
2. Fire managers for the refuge have coordinated suppression efforts with the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Greater Okefenokee Association of Landowners (GOAL) representing federal and state agencies, industry and private landowners. Through this Unified Command, the partners support the chosen strategy as the appropriate management response to protect adjacent valuable commercial timber, isolated homes scattered on private land, and critical wildlife habitat for threatened and endangered species.
3. Fire is a natural component of the Okefenokee ecosystem; since the refuges creation in 1937, there have been hundreds of wildfires that have burned thousands of acres here. The plants and animals on the refuge are well adapted to survive periodic wildfires.
4. Past experience has shown that conventional fire suppression tactics do not work well inside the swamp. Humans have never been successful in controlling fires within the swamp; only "mother nature" has done this. Attempting suppression within the swamp is ineffective, costly, wastes firefighting resources and needlessly endangers firefighter safety.
5. Fire on the refuge is usually fought by reinforcing firelines along the Swamps Edge Break, including areas of private land, to keep the fire contained within the swamp.
6. Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge typically employs a contain and control strategy to manage fire; containing it within the swamp and actively suppressing it outside of the swamp in the upland forest.

Commonly asked question:

1. Why won't this fire go out? What will it take? Surface burning of available fuels is only part of the current problem. Peat beds (partially decayed vegetation normally floating in a vertical column of water) is what supports these surface fuels. Unfortunately, the current dry conditions have allowed a portion of the peat beds to dry out and the surface burn has transferred into the peat beds and is now burning subsurface. There are now two sources of heat and available fuel that must be extinguished. The current spotty, localized rain storms can have some effect on the surface burns but do not do much to control subsurface burns. It will take a big rain storm blanketing the entire swamp (remember the swamp is huge -over 650 square miles in size) dropping a minimum of 6-8 inches of rain. As the water levels in the swamp slowly rise, as a result of the rain, the peat beds will become water saturated again eliminating one source of the fire. As the surface of the swamp becomes covered by water, burning surface fuels will be extinguished as well. Burning fuels that extend above these water levels (dead and drying trees/shrubs) may continue to burn until they fall over or burn up. Fire that exists in upland habitat on islands within the swamp may also continue to burn but it will be confined to that immediate area by the swamp waters surrounding the island. This is not something that will likely occur overnight. It may take days, weeks, or even months. The refuge has experienced fire events that were not declared officially out for well over a year after the main firefighting effort had ceased.


