

Honey Prairie Complex

GA-OKR-000001

Incident Action Plan Operational Period

Sunday

October 2, 2011

0800-2000

Incident Commander

Steve Gray

Bryce Thomas (T)



Accounting Codes

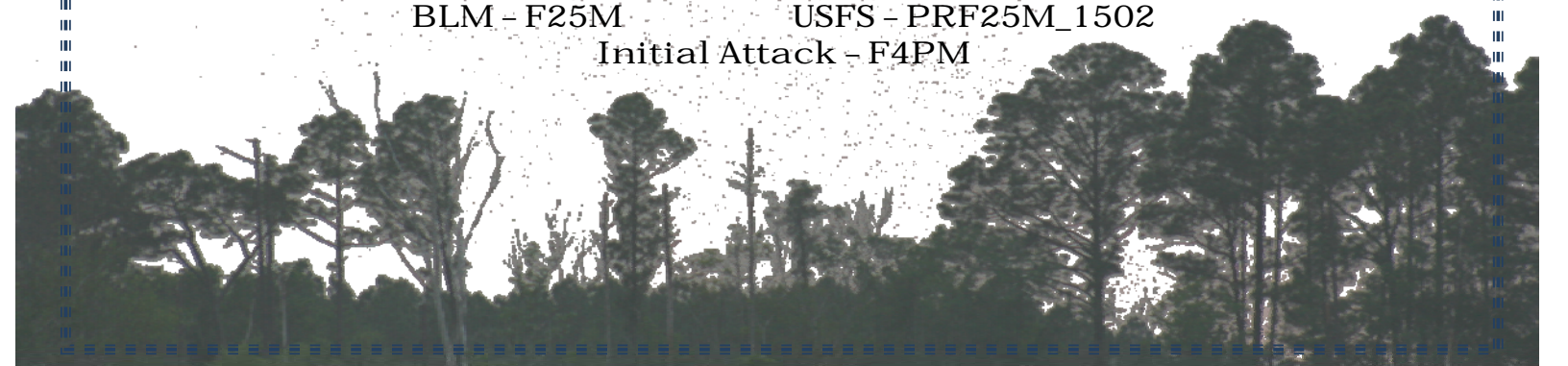
FWS - 9141-F25M-2J

NPS - 5023 F25M E11

BLM - F25M

USFS - 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 Honey Prairie Complex	2. DATE PREPARED 10/01/11	3. TIME PREPARED 1700
4. OPERATIONAL PERIOD (DATE/TIME) Sunday, October 2, 2011 0800 – 2000			
5. GENERAL CONTROL OBJECTIVES FOR THE INCIDENT (INCLUDE ALTERNATIVES) 1. Provide for safety of incident personnel and public in all incident operations. 2. Maintain a positive working relationship with all adjacent landowners, cooperators, State and Federal partners. Inform, involve and communicate incident planning and operations with all partners. 3. Contain all fires that are within the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, inside the Refuge and/or inside the swamp edge break if possible. 4. In cooperation with local land owners and communities, use full suppression strategies and tactics to minimize damage to private timberlands and structural improvements and to prevent fires outside the Refuge from entering the Refuge. 5. Assist in management and suppression of additional fires (new starts or breakouts) in the vicinity as approved by Agency Administrators and Incident Commander. 6. Protect all cultural and archeological sites and structures within the refuge. 7. Manage the fires cost-effectively consistent with the values at risk. 8. Coordinate suppression actions with assigned Refuge Resource Advisors			
6. WEATHER FORECAST FOR OPERATIONAL PERIOD See attached forecast for area specific weather information.			
7. GENERAL SAFETY MESSAGE Drive defensively and use spotter when backing. Ensure LCES is in place and known by all personnel. Drink plenty of water and take frequent rest breaks. Ensure proper use of PPE during all operations.			
8. Attachments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organization List (ICS 203) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Incident Map <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety Message <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment List (ICS 204) <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Demobilization Procedures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications Plan (ICS 205) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit Log <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Plan (ICS 206) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phone List			
9. PREPARED BY (PLANNING SECTION CHIEF) Greg Strenkowski		10. APPROVED BY (INCIDENT COMMANDER) Steve Gray	

ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST		9. Operations Section	
1. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex GA-OKR-000001		Chief	Bryce Thomas (T) 10/7
2. Date 10/01/2011 3. Time 1500 hrs		a. Branch/Divisions/Groups	
4. Operational Period 10/02/2011 0800 - 2000		West Branch	
5. Incident Commander and Staff			
Incident Commander	Steve Gray 10/9 Bryce Thomas (T) 10/7	Rehab Group	Brent McCarty 10/13 John Molve (T) 10/13
Safety Officer	Tommy Hawkins 10/12 Leonard Kempf 10/5	Refuge Group	Brent McCarty 10/13 John Molve (T) 10/13
Information Officer	Art Webster	Division Y/Z	Brent McCarty 10/13 John Molve (T) 10/13
		Division Z 10A)	Brent McCarty 10/13 John Molve (T) 10/13
6a. Agency Administrators			
FWS	Curt McCasland		
FWS	Mindy Gautreaux		
6b. Agency Representatives		b. Branch/Divisions/Groups	
GFC	Frank Sorrells		
FLFFS	James Karels		
FWS AREP	Mike Housh		
FWS-Refuge PAO	Art Webster		
GEMA AREP	Alan Robinson / Diane Adams		
USFS AREP	Ivan Greene		
7. Planning Section		c. AIR OPERATIONS BRANCH - Honey Prairie	
Chief	Dave Fogler 10/14	Waycross Helibase Mgr	Kevin Merrill 10/5
Resource Advisors	Ron Phernetton, Reggie Forcine		
Resources Unit			
IMET	Jon Jelsema 10/3		
Situation Unit			
FBAN		d. AIR OPERATIONS BRANCH - Pogo	
Demob Unit	Chuck Norvell 10/10		
Documentation			
GIS			
CTSP			
SCKN			
8. Logistics Section		10. Finance Section	
Chief	Shane Locke 10/2	Chief	
Supply Unit	Teresa (Tracy) Stelman 10/6	Time Unit	Vickie Hulsizer 10/3
Ground Support	Steve Blackwell 10/9	Cost	
Ground Support	Dan Chappell (T) 10/13	PTRC	Teresa Kregl-Barber 10/2
COML	James (Ronnie) Sumler 10/5	EQTR	
EMTB	Andrew Gill 10/2 David Moore 10/15	IBA	
RCDM	Jayson Brockmeyer 10/2		
Facilities	Rusty Brown 10/13		
SECM	Lindel Gregory 10/7 James Willett 10/13	Purchasing Agent	Fredrick Cheeks 10/6
COMT			
RADO			
Mechanic			
Base Camp Mngr	Rusty Brown 10/13		
		Prepared by: Dave Fogler	PSC2

DIVISION ASSIGNMENT LIST			1. Branch		2. Division REHAB Group		
3. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex			4. Operational Period Date: 10/02/2011 Time: 0800-2000				
Operations		Bryce Thomas (T)10/7		Branch Director			
Resource Advisor		Reggie Forcine		Division Supervisor		Brent McCarty 10/13	
Safety Officer		Tommy Hawkins 10/12 Leonard Kempf 10/5		Division Supervisor		John Molve (T) 1013	
6. Resources Assigned this Period							
Strike Team/Task Force/ Resource Designator	Leader / Name / Designator	Last Shift Date	Num. Per.	Drop Off PT./Time	Crew Names		
TFLD (O-1332)	Brian Delasantos	10/12	1		720-314-5073		
FWS Motorgrader (E-1356)	Unstaffed						
PVT DOZ2 (E-1424)	Pierce Timber Co.		1				
PVT DOZ2 (E-1413)	Pierce Timber Co.		1		Mngr's Cell# 912-548-4369		
PVT Excavator (E-1327)	Pierce Timber Co.		1				
Timberline Skidder (E-1305)	Timber Line Forest Service		1		Mngr's Cell# 912-218-0360		
PVT Excavator (E-1326)	Hughes Tree Planting		2		Mngr's Cell# 912-218-0360		
PVT Motorgrader (E-1390)	Tim Prep Inc.		1		Mngr's Cell# 904-759-0561		
7. Control Operations							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patrol fire perimeter Initial attack IC will communicate sizeup information to the Honey Prairie communication. Make contact with the resource advisor before using mechanical equipment. Continue to work with resource advisor on Refuge rehab objectives. 							
8. Special Instructions							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure LCES are in place before operations begin. Stay hydrated. Drive defensively with lights on at all times and use extra caution on wet or dry roads. Boggy terrain: Be careful and aware when working around this type of area. Avoid areas with potential tree fall. 							
9. Division/Group Communication Summary							
	Function	Frequency	Channel	Function	Frequency	System	Channel
Command N Okee Repeater	RX 164.575/206.5 TX 163.150/206.5	KING NIFC	5	Logistics		KING NIFC	
Tactical Div/Group	RX 168.775 TX 168.775	KING NIFC	9	Air to Ground	RX 166.9375 TX 166.9375	KING NIFC	6
Prepared by (Resource Unit Ldr.) Chuck Norvell		Approved by (Planning Sect. Ch.) Greg Strenkowski			Date October 1, 2011		Time 1800

DIVISION ASSIGNMENT LIST				1. Branch West		2. Division Refuge Group	
3. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex				4. Operational Period Date: 10/02/2011 Time: 0800-2000			
5. Operations Personnel							
Operations	Bryce Thomas (T) 10/7						
				Division Supervisor	Brent McCarty 10/13		
Safety Officer	Tommy Hawkins 10/12	Leonard Kempf 10/5		Division Supervisor	John Molve (T) 10/13		
6. Resources Assigned this Period							
Strike Team/Task Force/ Resource Designator	Leader / Name / Designator	Last Shift Date	Num. Per.	Drop Off PT./Time	Crew Names		
TFLD	Rocky Chesser (O-5)		1		912-276-3232		
TPL GAOKR 56 (E-22)	Matt Brown (O-1345)		1				
TPL GA OKR 54 (E-21)	Charles Johnson (O-1335)		1				
7. Control Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respond to Initial Attack as requested • Secure fire's edge, and mop up 200-feet in, (upland areas only). • Initial attack IC will communicate sizeup information to the Honey Prairie communication. • Improve swamp break boundaries for fire breaks, work with resource advisor. 							
8. Special Instructions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure LCES are in place before operations begin. Stay hydrated. • Drive defensively and with lights on at all times and use extra caution on wet or dry roads. • Boggy terrain: Be careful and aware when working around this type of area. • Avoid areas with potential tree fall 							
9. Division/Group Communication Summary							
Function	Frequency	System	Channel	Function	Frequency	System	Channel
Command W Okee Repeater	RX 167.125/156.7 TX 163.150/156.7	KING NIFC	1	Logistics		KING NIFC	
Tactical Div/Group	RX 168.775 TX 168.775	KING NIFC	9	Air to Ground	RX 166.9375 TX 166.9375	KING NIFC	6
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DIVISION ASSIGNMENT LIST			1. Branch West		2. Division Y / Z		
3. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex			4. Operational Period Date: 10/02/2011 Time: 0800-2000				
5. Operations Personnel							
Operations	Bryce Thomas (T)10/7						
				Division Supervisor	Brent McCarty 10/13		
Safety Officer	Tommy Hawkins 10/12	Leonard Kempf 10/5	Division Supervisor		John Molve (T) 10/13		
6. Resources Assigned this Period							
Strike Team/Task Force/ Resource Designator	Leader / Name / Designator	Last Shift Date	Num. Per.	Drop Off PT./Time	Crew Names		
STEN (T) (E-1394.1) GA	Leland Bass	10/6	1		770-280-7684		
GA ENG6 Habersham 86 (E-1394)	Rusty Carroll(O-1351)	10/14	2		Aubrey Brown (O-1351)		
GA ENG6 Monroe 86 (E-1392)	David Carter 10/6		2		Ben Godowns (E-1392.3)10/15		
GA ENG6 Polk 86 (E-1393)	Anthony Keene (E-1393.1)	10/2	2		Timothy Sosebee (E-1393.2)		
FL ENG6 B-114 (E-1396)	Jason Longfellow (E-1396.2)	10/6	2		Mark Reddich (E-1396.1)		
FL ENG6 G-106 (E-1395)	Charles Shewey (E-1395.2)	10/6	2		Johnathan Lambert (E-1395.1)		
FL ENG6 C-920 (E-1431)	Shane McGowen	10/14	2		Walter Bowers		
TFLD (T) (O-1333)	Wes Merkison	10/9	1		912-552-3821		
GA TPL3 Lanier 70 (E-1418)	Stewart McIntosh	10/9	1				
GA TPL3 ATCO 71 (E-1420)	Derek Harper	10/9	1				
GA TPL3 Appling 72 (E-1417)	Josh Yawn	10/9	1				
GA TPL3 Brantley 72 (E-1419)	David Smith	10/9	1				
EMTB	Andrew Gill (O-1261)	10/2	2		David Moore (O-1344) 10/15		
7. Control Operations							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respond to Initial Attack as requested Mop up and monitor fire's edge, and mop up 200-feet in,(upland areas only) Initial attack IC will communicate sizeup information to the Honey Prairie communication. Improve swamp break boundaries for fire breaks, work with resource advisor. 							
8. Special Instructions							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goto Argyle turn down Antioch Church Rd. Turn down Rd. 28, then Turn on Rd 26, to Perimeter Rd. Stage at DP41 until DIVS Authorizes movement. Avoid Confrontations with bear hunters (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday only). Ensure LCES are in place before operations begin. Stay hydrated. Drive defensively and with lights on at all times and use extra caution on wet or dry roads. Boggy terrain: Be careful and aware when working around this type of area. Avoid areas with potential tree fall 							
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DIVISION ASSIGNMENT LIST				1. Branch West	2. Division Z (10A)		
3. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex			4. Operational Period Date: 10/02/2011 Time: 0800-2000				
5. Operations Personnel							
Operations	Bryce Thomas (T)10/7						
			Division Supervisor	Brent McCarty 10/13			
Safety Officer	Tommy Hawkins 10/12	Leonard Kempf 10/5	Division Supervisor	John Molve (T) 10/13			
6. Resources Assigned this Period							
Strike Team/Task Force/ Resource Designator	Leader / Name / Designator	Last Shift Date	Num. Per.	Drop PT	Crew Names		
TFLD	Raymond Franco (O-1318)	10/4	1		208-720-7472		
BIA ENG6 (E-1318) WIMEA	Adam Waukau (E-1318.1)	10/4	3		Curtis Wayka (E-1318.3)/ Jamie Guzman (E-1318.2)		
NPS ENG6 (E-1319) WIAIP	Michael Larson (E-1319,4)	10/5	3		Sawyer Grooms(E-1319.5) / James Strezishar Jr. (E-1319.6)		
GA ENG6 (E-2) GAOKR # 41	Donald Stanley (O-1327)	10/5	2		Nicolas Hawkins (O-1341) 10/12		
GA ENG6 (E-3) GAOKR # 42	Unstaffed		0				
FWS NCDOR ENG6 PLE1 (E-1364)	Eric Meekins (O-1343)	10/13	2		Donald Harris (O-1342)		
FWS GAPDR ENG6 51 (E-1391)	John Mason (E-1391.1)	10/9	2		Matthew Smith (E-1391.2)		
TPL4 GA ENG6 OKR 53 (E-23)	Unstaffed		0				
TPL2 FL (E-1400)	Robert Dorminey (O-1312)	10/8	1				
7. Control Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish control check lines. Secure fire's edge, and mop up 50-feet in, in the upland areas. Respond to Initial Attack as requested. Initial attack IC will communicate sizeup information to the Honey Prairie communication. Improve swamp break boundaries for fire breaks, work with resource advisor. 							
8. Special Instructions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goto Argyle turn down Antioch Church Rd, Turn on Rd. 28, Stage at DP44 until DIVS Authorizes movement. Avoid Confrontations with bear hunters (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday only). Ensure LCES are in place before operations begin. Stay hydrated. Drive defensively and with lights on at all times and use extra caution on wet or dry roads. Boggy terrain: Be careful and aware when working around this type of area. Avoid areas of potential tree fall. 							
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Fire Weather Forecast



FORECAST NO: 148
PREDICTION FOR: Day Shift
SHIFT DATE: Sunday 10/02/11

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

FORECAST ISSUED: 10/01/11 at 1600

SIGNED: Jon Jelsema, IMET

WEATHER DISCUSSION: Cool and dry conditions will continue through early next week as high pressure remains in firm control of the areas weather. Minimum relative humidity will drop to critical or near critical levels both this afternoon and Monday afternoon.

TODAY: Mostly Sunny.

MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES: 74°
MINIMUM HUMIDITY: 25 to 30%
20 FT WINDS: North 6 to 9 mph, becoming Northwest in the afternoon.
STABILITY/INVERSION: 5500 feet
TRANSPORT WINDS: Northwest 12 mph
DISPERSION INDEX: 40, Fair
CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION: 0%
LIGHTNING ACTIVITY LEVEL: 1

TONIGHT: Clear. Low temperature 44°. Northwest winds 1 to 4 mph, becoming light and variable after midnight.

MONDAY: Mostly sunny.

MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES: 77°
MINIMUM HUMIDITY: 25 to 30%
20 FT WINDS: North-Northwest 6 to 9 mph.
STABILITY/INVERSION: 5500 feet
TRANSPORT WINDS: Northwest 12 mph.
DISPERSION INDEX: 40, Fair
CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION: 0%
LIGHTNING ACTIVITY LEVEL: 1

EXTENDED FORECAST: High pressure will remain the dominant weather feature through the week, resulting in rain free weather across the fire. Relative Humidity values will remain above critical levels as onshore flow brings increasing moisture in off the Atlantic.

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
SKY/WEATHER	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
THUNDER/PRECIP	0%	0%	10%
20 FT. WINDS	Northeast 6 to 9 mph	Northeast 6 to 10 mph	Northeast 8 to 12 mph
MIN/MAX	48/80	53/81	57/82
Relative Humidity	30 to 35%	38 to 43%	40 to 45%

FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST

Fire: Honey Prairie Complex	Unit: GA-OKR-000001	Prediction for Day Shift
Forecast #148 Issued: 10/2/2011 1600 hrs	Signed: G Strenkowski	Shift Date: Sunday 10/2/2011

GENERAL FIRE BEHAVIOR

Fuels around the Okefenokee Wildlife Refuge are predominately Fuel Model 7 (Southern Rough). Large to moderate acreage tracts of commercial timberland are mixed in throughout the entire perimeter surrounding the refuge. Fast 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 Ignition
Winds at 6-9 mph	Winds will be brisk from the North - Northwest			
Small PL Pines (4)	19-30 ch/hr	10-13 ft	UP to 2/10 MILE	63%
Southern Rough (7)	8-13 ch/hr	4-5 ft	UP to 2/10 MILE	63%
Reburn (9)	3-4 ch/hr	2-3 ft	UP to 2/10 MILE	63%
Shrub Fuels (sh8)	6-9 ch/hr	6-7 ft	UP to 2/10 MILE	63%

One hour fine dead fuel moisture is at 5% for Sunday: 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:

WINDS – Winds will be brisk with some gusts throughout the day, diminishing just slightly overnight.

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.

Safety Message

INCIDENT: Honey Prairie Fire

DATE: 10/02/2011

TIME: 0800

Major Hazards and Risks: Travel Communications Situational Awareness

Travel – It has been dry for several days and the roads have been well traveled and getting dusty. We need to insure that we use the proper spacing and the proper speed. Travel with lights on and communicate any hazards to oncoming equipment.

Communications – Be sure to check your radios to insure they work on the approved frequencies, make sure you have fresh batteries on hand to get your through your shift. Test your radio coverage area to make sure you have communications.

Situational awareness – Keep your situational awareness up, Know what the fire is doing at all times, Keep monitoring the radio and keep up with weather updates. Make sure you know what the plan is and how you fit into it. Keep Your Head on a swivel.

There are a lot of falling tree in the area. Look up, Look down, Look all around.

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**TELL JOHNSON THAT THE SAFETY OFFICER WOULD LIKE TO
SPEAK WITH HIM...THE SOONER THE BETTER**

Working with Heavy Equipment

- When working around heavy equipment, stay at least 100 feet in front or 50 feet behind the equipment. In timber, distances should be increased to 2½ times the canopy height.
- No one but the operator should ride on the equipment.
- Never approach equipment until you have eye contact with the operator, all implements have been lowered to the ground, and equipment is idled down.
- Avoid working below equipment where rolling material could jeopardize your safety.
- Night work is more dangerous due to reduced visibility. Use headlamp and/or glow sticks so the operator can see you.
- Establish visual and radio communication methods prior to engaging.
- Communicate all hazards to the operator (spot fires, firing operations, and obstacles).
- Equipment operators have difficulty seeing ground personnel; take responsibility for your safety and all those around you.

Safety Officers: Tommy Hawkins, Lenny Kempf

1. Establish & maintain LCES. Report LCES checks twice daily to DIVS.
2. Look UP, DOWN and AROUND - Flag and Communicate.
3. Follow downhill fireline checklist.
4. Take plenty rest breaks and encourage to drink water NOW through briefings.
5. Watch out for complacency. Supervisors need to keep constant surveillance for early signs and address them.
6. Observe 30/30 Rule: Reference Incident Response Pocket Guide. Look for new starts.
7. Post experienced Lookouts. Make sure LCES is in place and make known.
8. Utilize Fire Departments for structure protection. Tailgate briefings on urban interface hazards.
9. Defensive driving will be addressed in all briefings.
10. Utilize public "Community Meetings" to warn public of fire hazards/traffic.
11. All personnel must meet the 2:1 work/rest ratio. Safety Team will monitor closely.
12. Maintain LCES at all times.
13. Use Air Attack as Lookout.
14. Post lookout for Snags, Rolling Material, and Spot Fires below line.
15. Ensure Fireline is Anchored.
16. All Firefighters know current weather, predicted weather & fire behavior forecast.
17. Line Supervisors will provide clear, concise briefings.
18. Flag hazard trees & snags, post lookouts when working in vicinity of snags.
19. FBA/Meteorologist to develop weather watch system.
20. Keep Firefighters informed of any changes in predicted weather.
21. Recognize & Avoid Hazmat situations.
22. Utilize Hazmat Response Teams.
23. Use Spike Camps to limit travel times.
24. Ensure Traffic Planning is safe and enforced.
25. Use Helicopter transport when driving conditions warrant.
26. Review Structural "Watch Out" situations.
27. Abandon Structures before Safety is compromised.
28. Air Attack and/or lead plane will always be in the air to coordinate aircraft.
29. Pilots will be briefed on strategy and tactics.
30. Personnel on ground will stay out of drop zones.
31. Observe all traffic signals and speed limits.
32. Use spotter when backing vehicle(s).
33. Refer to Fireline Handbook on Power Line Hazards.
34. Burn aerial fuels & avoid as a safety zone.
35. Construct direct line with immediate burn out of fuels.

INCIDENT ACTION PLAN SAFETY ANALYSIS											1. Incident Name Honey Prairie Fire		2. Date 10/2/2011		3. Time Day Shift	
LCES* Analysis of Tactical Applications Lookouts Communications Escape routes Safety zones											Other Risk Analysis					
Divisions	Indirect Fireline	Power lines / Snags	Road Conditions	Frontal Assault	Extreme Conditions	Railroad	Logging Operations	Wildlife, Insects	LCES Mitigations	Smoke	Traffic/Driving	Communications	Fatigue/Hydration	School Buses / Children	Other Risk Mitigations	
All Divisions	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 14	2, 6, 11, 15, 17	12, 20, 26	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 14	7, 10	1	2, 3, 5, 6, 20, 21, 24, 28	2, 23, 28	1. Establish & maintain LCES. Report LCES checks twice daily to DIVS on line & staging. 2. Look UP, DOWN and AROUND 3. Post experienced Lookouts. Make sure LCES is in place and make known. 4. Use Aerial Resources as Lookout if available.	24	12, 17, 19, 20, 22, 26, 27	1, 3, 10, 14, 19, 24, 25	16, 18, 21	26	16. Take adequate rest breaks and encourage to drink water NOW through briefings. 17. Defensive driving will be addressed in all briefings. 18. All personnel must meet the 2:1 work/rest ratio. Line supervisors and Safety will monitor closely. 19. Notify Operation and Safety of Railroad track issues to ensure safety of 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. 6. Identify, mark & mitigate. 7. FBAN/Meteorologist to monitor weather updates and advisories. 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. 21. Relocate staging area when driving conditions warrant. 22. Use spotter when backing vehicle(s). 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. 11. Refer to IRPG, pg. 12 on Power Line Hazards. 12. Observe all traffic signals and speed limits. Drive with lights on. 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. 25. Follow establish communication plan, flight follow through dispatch 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 28. Bears, Gators, and some snakes are dangerous. Do not approach or feed wildlife at any time.	
Prepared by (Name and Position)							ICS 215A	Tommy Hawkins/ Lenny Kempf; SOF								

AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY

Prepared By: Kevin Merrill, HEB1

Prepared Date: 9.30.2011

Prepared Time: 1600

1. INCIDENT NAME: Honey Prairie	2. OPS PERIOD DATE: October 2, 2011	START TIME: 0830	END TIME: 2000	SUNRISE: 0723	SUNSET: 1914
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)				5. TFR #: Canceled 7/27/11 SEE and AVOID!!!	

PERSONNEL	NAME	PHONE #	FREQUENCIES	AM	FM	
HEB2 Waycross HB	Kevin Merrill Desk Cell	912-287-4479 505-504-4613	AIR/ AIR	122.375		AIRTANKERS / LEAD PLANES - None Available OTHER: <u>Waycross Airport Helibase: 912-287-4479</u> <u>Waycross Airport Helibase Fax: 912-287-4458</u> <u>ICP Helispot is Waycross Airport Helibase</u> <u>Okefenokee Dispatch: 912-496-7366 X230</u> <u>Waycross Airport: N 31 16.16 10 W82 33.38</u> <u>BERGANZA HELISPOT N 31 07.22 W082 15.22 * don't use unless cleared with AOB.</u> <u>POGO HELISPOT: N30 44.03 W082 07.41</u>
ABRO	Darold Williams Desk Cell	912-287-4479 386-383-6288				
			Georgia AIR/GRND (Smokey - Dozers)		159.285 W	
			AIR/GROUND PRIMARY		166.9375	
			AIR/GROUND ALTERNATE		166.9000	
			AIR GUARD		168.625 T110.9	

9. HELICOPTERS (Use Additional Sheets as Necessary)

FAA N#	TY	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	AVAIL	MANAGER	FAA N#	T Y	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	AVAIL	MANAGER
351CH	3	AS350-B3	Waycross	0830	Robert Dodgen 970-799-1176						
699RH	1	K-max	Waycross	0830	Al Driesbach (805) 479-1837						

10. TASK/ MISSION/ ASSIGNMENT (Type/ function includes: Air Tactical, Retardant, Recon, Personnel Transport, Bucket Operations, SAR, etc.)

TYPE/FUNCTION	NAME OF PERSONNEL OR CARGO (If applicable) or instructions for tactical aircraft	MISSION START	FLY FROM	FLY TO
Bucket Ops/	699RH	As Requested	Waycross	
Recon	351CH	As Requested	Waycross	
Medevac	351CH	As Requested	Waycross	

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN ICS-205			Incident Name Honey Prairie			GROUP 22		Date/Time Prepared 09/30/2011-18:00		Operational Period Date/Time 10/02/2011 0800-2000	
Ch #	Function	Channel Name	Assignment	RX Freq	NW	RX Tone/NAC	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	PRIMARY North 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.

MEDICAL PLAN	Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex	Date Prepared 09/02/2011	Time Prepared 1000	Operational Period 10/2/2011
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5. Incident Medical Aid Station

<u>Medical Aid Stations</u>	<u>Location</u>	Paramedics Yes	No
MEDICAL UNIT (ICP EMT)	Honey Prairie Complex ICP- No MEDL		
WEST SIDE (Line EMT)	****Andrew Gill 404-772-5402 (BLS Kit)****		
EAST SIDE (Line EMT)	****Andrew Gill 404-772-5402 (BLS Kit)****		

Ambulance Services

Name	Address	Phone	Paramedic	
			Yes	No
Clinch County EMS (West)	Homerville, GA (911 to activate)	912-487-5315	Yes	
Ware County EMS (North)	Waycross, Georgia (911 to activate)	912-287-4335	Yes	
Charlton County EMS (East)	Folkston, GA (911 to activate)	912-496-7321	Yes	

Air Ambulance Service

Trauma 1	Lake City, FL	1-800-223-4878	Yes	
Trauma 1	Jacksonville, FL	1-800-223-4878	Yes	
AirMed	Augusta, GA	1-888-792-9245	Yes	
Lifeflight	Jacksonville, FL	1-877-870-7779	Yes	
Air Evac	Waycross, GA	1-800-247-3822	Yes	
US Coast Guard (Heli-Rescue)	Savannah GA	1-912-652-4646	Yes	

7. Hospitals

Name	Address	LAT-LON	Phone	Helipad		Burn Center	
				Yes	No	Yes	No
Satilla Regional	410 Darling AVE. Waycross, GA	N 31' 13.509 W 82' 20.853	(912) -283-3030	Yes			No
Clinch Memorial Hospital (WEST SIDE)	1050 Valdosta HWY Homerville, GA	N 31' 01.977 W 82 45.851	(912) -487-5211 ext 4502	Yes			No
Charlton Memorial Hospital (EAST SIDE)	1203 3 rd Street Folkston, GA	N 30' 50.713 W 82' 00.302	(912) -496-2531	Yes			No
Savannah Memorial Hospital	4700 Waters AVE Savannah, GA	N 32' 01.538 W 81' 05.298	(912) -350-8999	Yes			No
Shands Hospital (Level I)	655 West 8 th Street Jacksonville, FL	N 30' 20.97 W 81' 39.92	(800) -223-4878	Yes		Yes	
Shands Burn Center	1600 Southwest Archer Road Gainesville, FL	N 29' 38.33 W 82' 20.55	(352) -265-0200	Yes		Yes	

8. Medical Emergency Procedures

Identify any EMTs and Paramedics in your crews. All medical emergencies will be reported to the Division Supervisor who will assume command and notify Line Medics.

On scene personnel will:

1. Provide medical care & stabilize patient.
2. Call 911 if possible or call phone #'s above for EMS and provide the information requested.
3. Notify Communications via radio over Command Channel
4. Communications will clear radio traffic for medical emergency.
5. Communications will confirm 911 has been notified coordinate with IC, SOF.
6. DIVS will notify the Field Ops Section Chief.

MAJOR EMERGENCIES – Secure the area and identify witness for later investigation. Keep an accurate log of events. NOTE: Do not give Patients Name over the radio!

INJURY REPORTING PROCESS:

Nature of Injury: _____

Location of Patient: _____

Transportation Requested by: Air ___ Ground ___

Pick Up Point: _____

Lat: _____ Long: _____

Patient Unit ID: _____

Is an EMT w/Patient: Yes ___ No ___

Age: ___ Sex: Male ___ Female ___

Weight (If Air Evac. is needed): _____

HELISPOTS

NAME	LAT-LON	LOCATION
Pocket Helispot	N 30' 47.500 W 82' 22.659	(West side), mile marker 4, HWY 177 Steven C. Foster State Park
Fargo Helispot	N 30' 40.945 W 82' 33.640	(West side), HWY 441- Steven C. Foster Visitor Center
POGO Helibase	N 30' 44.219 W 82' 07.689	(East side) Adjacent to Okee Refuge Shop

Evac Yankee

Helispot 6	N 30' 53.280 W 82' 33.880	Road 32 and 32A
Helispot 7	N 30' 50.280 W 82' 33.857	Tatum Road Pond

***Alternate site can be established following guidelines for safety found with IRPG and local EMS resources.**

Prepared by: Tommy Hawkins SOF

10. Reviewed by: Tommy Hawkins, SOF

DMOB Report Sept

RequestNun	ResourceName	KindCode	UnitID	TravelMethod	Jetport	DemobDate
E-1392.1	HARGROVE, ROBERT	FFT2	GAGAS			10/02/2011
E-1392.2	WATERS, GREGG	ENGB	GAGAS			10/02/2011
E-1401	STERLING TANSPO	TRTL	FLFLS	AOV		10/02/2011
O-1297	PAFFORD, DAVID	TPOP	NCPER	AOV		10/02/2011
E-1411	POV KREGL_BARBER	AUTO	GAGAS	POV		10/03/2011
O-1293	KREGL-BARBER, TERESA	PTRC	GAGAS	POV		10/03/2011
O-1308	LOCKE, SHANE	LSC2	FLFNF	AOV		10/03/2011
O-1261	GILL, ANDREW	EMTB	FLEVP	A/R	MIA	10/03/2011
E-1410	FLFLS LOCKE ASC12427	PU	FLFLS	AOV		10/03/2011
O-1310	BROCKMEYER, JAYSON	RCDM	AKAKD	AIR	FAI	10/03/2011
O-1316	JELSEMA, JONATHON	IMET	SCCHSW	REN		10/04/2011
E-1318	MENOMINEE ENGINE	ENG6	WIMEA	AOV		10/05/2011
E-1318.2	GUZMAN, JAIME	FFT2	WIMEA	AOV		10/05/2011
E-1318.3	WAYKA, CURTIS	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-1320	DRIESBACH, AL	HMGB	CALPF	A/R	SBP	10/05/2011
A-83.11	MERRILL, KEVIN	HMGB	NMCIF	AIR	ABQ	10/06/2011
E-1319.5	GROOMS, SAWYER	FFT2	WIGLA	AOV	DLH	10/06/2011
E-1412	FFS SUMLER VAN	VAN	FLFLS	AOV		10/06/2011
O-1326	KEMPF, LEONARD	SOF2	WICNF	A/R	CWA	10/06/2011
O-1317	SUMLER, JAMES (RONNIE)	COML	FLFIC	AOV		10/06/2011
E-1319.6	STREZISHAR, JAMES	FFT2	WICNF	AOV		10/06/2011
E-1319.4	LARSEN, MICHAEL	ENGB	WIAIP	AOV		10/06/2011
E-1319	ENG6 6140	ENG6	WIAIP	AOV		10/06/2011
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-1396.2	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
E-1396.1	REDDISH, MARK	ENOP	FLFNF	AOV		10/07/2011
E-1396	B-114 FL ENG6	ENG6	FLFLS			10/07/2011
O-1302	CARTER, DAVID	STEN	FLFLS	AOV		10/07/2011
O-1327	STANLEY, DONALD	ENGB	MDCAP	AIR	MDT	10/07/2011
O-1245	CHEEKS, FREDERICK	BUYL	ALALF	AOV		10/07/2011
O-1112	WILLIAMS, DAROLD	ABRO	FLFIC	POV		10/07/2011
E-1394.1	BASS, LELAND	STEN	GAGAS			10/08/2011
O-1301	GREGORY, LINDEL	SECM	MOOZP	AOV		10/08/2011
O-1300	THOMAS, BRYCE	ICT3	FLFNF	AOV		10/08/2011
E-1389	FLFLS THOMAS PU	PU	FLFLS	AOV		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
E-1393.2	SOSEBEE, TIMOTHY	FFT2	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-1393.1	KEENE, ANTHONY (TONY)	ENGB	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-1391	FWS GAPDR 51	ENG6	GAPDR	AOV		10/10/2011
E-1393	GA ENG6 POLK 86	ENG6	GAGAS	AOV		10/10/2011

Record Count: 52

HONEY PRAIRIE PHONE LIST			10/02/11		
Incident		Communication	(Hours: 0800-2000)		912-286-1660
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	404-772-5553	West Group
Mike Housh	404-772-5380	USFWS AREP			
COMMAND - IC			AIR OPERATIONS		
Steve Gray	770-655-8002	Incident Commander	Kevin Merrill	505-504-4613	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
			Randall McCrady	912-283-4077	Rayonier
DISPATCH			Colin Myerson	229-506-1565	Superior Pine Products Co
Okefenokee Dsp	912-496-7366	Okefenokee	Robbie Lee	229-356-0526	Superior Pine Products Co
Suwannee Dispatch	386-758-5700	Fla wildfires, other	Superior Pine Office	912-637-5261	Superior Pine Products Co
Honey Prairie Dspth	404-772-5384	Honey Prairie ICP	Al Alexander	850-843-0104	The Forestry Co
Waycross Dispatch	912-287-4915	Ga wildfires, other	Savell Schmidt	850-843-1181	The Forestry Co
GA DNR	1-800-241-4113	Hunting Issues	John Bogue	850-843-1192	The Forestry Co
LOGISTICS 912-287-6540		fax 912-287-6542	Joe Hopkins	912-276-0911	Toledo Timber
Shane Locke	404-772-5400	LSC	Chris Gowan	912-276-0965	Toledo Timber
Lindel Gregory	404-772-5401	Security	Martin Bell	912-283-0583	Swamp Park
Rusty Brown	478-973-6231	FACL (T)/BCMG (T)	Crystal Peoples	352-316-0632	FIA
James (Ronnie) Sumler	850-361-9163	COML	Steve Davis	912-614-1828	Davis Community
James Chappell	404-772-5318	GSUL (T)	Trevor Fortner	912-599-9271	Little Suwannee
Steve Blackwell	423-605-3793	GSUL	Tim Jarrell	912-223-7120	Hancock Forest Mgmt.
Jayson Brockmeyer	907-347-5511	RCDM			
Andrew Gill	404-772-5402	EMTB	RAILROADS		
David Moore		EMT	Norfolk Southern	800-453-2530	
Tracy Stelman	209-352-0548	SPUL			
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
Jon Jelsema	240-499-6637	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	
Vicki Hulsizer	912-287-6544	Finance Center	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

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 Gregroy 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.

Fire Information IAP messages

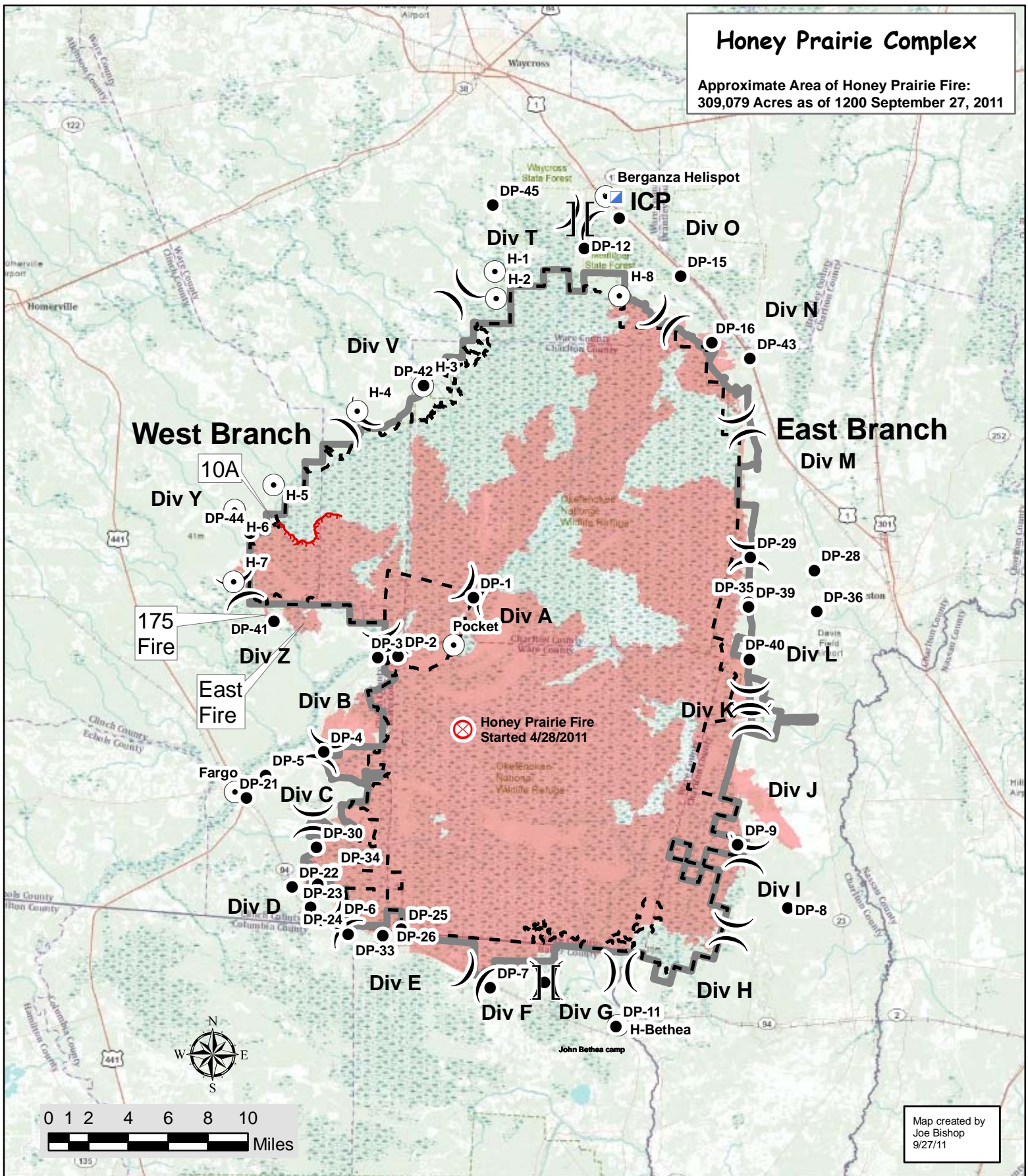
1. Public and firefighter safety remains the top priority for this incident.
2. Fire managers for the refuge have coordinated suppression efforts with the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Greater Okefenokee Association of Landowners (GOAL) representing federal and state agencies, industry and private 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.

Honey Prairie Complex

Approximate Area of Honey Prairie Fire:
309,079 Acres as of 1200 September 27, 2011



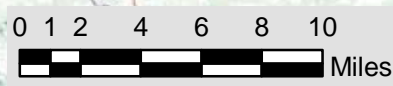
West Branch

East Branch










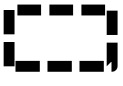
175 Fire

East Fire

Honey Prairie Fire Started 4/28/2011



Map created by
Joe Bishop
9/27/11

-  Fire Origin
-  Honey Prairie Fire Area
-  Uncontrolled Fire Edge
-  Incident Command Post
-  Helispot
-  Drop Point
-  Branch Break
-  Division Break
-  Refuge Boundary
-  Wilderness Boundary



UNIT LOG	1. Incident Name Honey Prairie Complex	2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared
4. Unit Name/Designators	5. Unit Leader (Name and Position)		6. Operational Period
7. Personnel Roster Assigned			
Name	ICS Position		Home Base
8. Activity Log			
Time	Major Events		
9. Prepared by (Name and Position)			