

Fire Situation Report – April 16, 2018

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry - Forestry Services

PROTECTION AREA STATISTICS* for Reporting Period 0800 04/15/18 thru 0800 04/16/18

NE Area – *No New Activity*

EC Area – 1 fire burned 80 acres (Cause: Other)

SE Area – *No New Activity*

Large / Significant Fire Activity within the Protection Area: *No New Activity*

Fire Activity with OFS Response outside of the Protection Area:

- Dollar Pond Fire (Caddo County) – 257 Acres, 77% Contained
- 34 Complex (Woodward County) – 67,776 Acres (Est), 45% Contained
- Rhea Fire (Dewey County) – 246,000 Acres (Est), 3% Contained
- East Reydon Fire (Roger Mills County) – 1,232 Acres, 100% Contained
- Shaw Fire (Roger Mills County) – 7,257 Acres, 100% Contained
- Roadside Fire (Woodward County) - 916 Acres , 100% Contained
- **Martha Fire (Jackson) – 33 Acres (Est) - 15% Contained**
- **Citation Fire (Caddo County) – 85 Acres (Est) – 50% Contained**
- **Botone Fire (Caddo County – 70 Acres (Est) – 45% Contained**

OFS Prescribed Fire Activity: *No New activity*

FIRE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS from www.firereporting.ok.gov recorded on 04/15/18 thru 04/16/18

- *Numerous Fires with reporting ongoing.*

Statewide Discussion:

Moderate humidity recovery and light winds across western Oklahoma overnight allowed some progress on the on-going large fires.

Fire danger across the western half of the state will remain very high to extreme. Relative humidity values today will range from the low single digits in the far west portion of the Panhandle to the 20% range along and near a line from Jackson County to Woods County. Winds will be shifting from the SE to SSW by mid-afternoon. Temperatures are expected to climb into the 80s in the Panhandle and 70s elsewhere. **A Red Flag Warning is in effect for today from 1 pm to 8 pm in Cimarron, Texas, and Beaver Counties.**

SPECIAL NOTE: Fire danger Tuesday is expected to mirror fire weather conditions experienced last Thursday. Temperatures tomorrow are expected to climb into the 90°s with relative humidity values in the single digits west of US 81. Sustained southwest winds up to 30 mph and gusts 40-50 mph have been forecast.

A Red Flag Warning is in effect for tomorrow, April 17th, from 11 am to midnight for a large portion of western Oklahoma. The affected area and the extreme conditions will exist near and west of a line from Alfalfa County to Cotton County. New fires will likely exhibit explosive rapid rates of spread. Ongoing fires will require extensive patrol and mop up to prevent escape.

Resources: Resource Hotline (800) 800-2481

5 – OFS Task Forces (Woodward/Weatherford/Guthrie)

1 - OHP/OFS Aerial Observation Platform

1 – Air Attack Platform

2 - Type 1 Helicopters

3 – Type 1 Airtankers

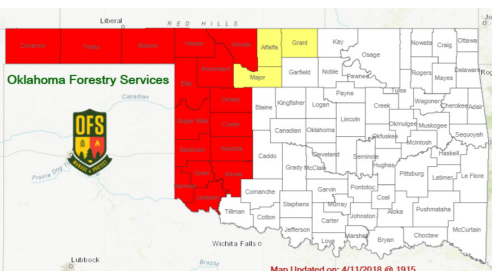
4 – SEATs

2 – CL-415 Super Scoopers

2 – National Guard Helicopters

**** County Wildland Task Forces should be prepared for mobilization****

Burn Ban Status:



RED = Governor's Burn Ban

YELLOW = County Burn Ban

For the most current information on Burn Bans click on the following link:

<http://www.forestry.ok.gov/burn-ban-info>

Remember... ONLY YOU can prevent wildfires! Enjoy Oklahoma's wildlands responsibly.

Report any suspicious wildland fire activity on the

Arson Tip Line: 1-866-662-7766 (1-866-NO ARSON).

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