

# Fire Situation Report – December 10, 2015

## Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Oklahoma Forestry Services



### PROTECTION AREA STATISTICS\* for Reporting Period 0800 thru 0800, 12/09/15 thru 12/10/15

NE Area – 1 Fire Burned 5 Acres (Cause: 1-Incendiary)  
EC Area – 1 Fire Burned 5 Acres (Cause: 1-Incendiary)  
SE Area – No Activity

- Large Fire Activity within the Protection Area No Activity
- Fire Activity with OFS Response outside the Protection Area: No Activity
- OFS Prescribed Fire Activity: No Activity

\* Protection Area Statistics do not reflect local fire department's fire run information. Statistics are for the ODAFF-Forestry Services' fifteen county Fire Protection Area in eastern Oklahoma unless otherwise noted in the Discussion section of this report.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS\*\* from [www.firereporting.ok.gov](http://www.firereporting.ok.gov) recorded on 12/09/15 thru 12/10/15

**6 Fires Burned 47 Acres (Cause: 2-Escaped Debris, 1-Equipment, 3-Misc.) Tecumseh & Skiatook FD's Reporting**

- Additional fire activity noted in media coverage

\*\* - These statistics are from Fire Departments that have recorded their information on the Oklahoma, Forestry Services web-based Fire Reporting System. Totals do not reflect the total acres burned or total number of fires that have occurred in Oklahoma.

### Statewide Discussion:

Near record temperatures again today and dry fuels in place will hold fire danger over much of the state today as a front passes from west to east resulting in a change in wind direction. **The highest fire danger today will be present north and west of I-44 when relative humidity values begin to fall to around 30% early in the afternoon.** Temperature in this area will top out at 67°-70+° with relative humidity values 25-30% (slightly lower in the Panhandle). As the cold front works through from west to east expect a wind direction change from south to west to north. Wind speeds will generally be 13-17 mph along and following the front with potential for gusts up to 25 mph especially in far western Oklahoma. Fire behavior may exhibit rapid rates of spread this afternoon in some areas especially when wind and slope are aligned as well as the potential for some resistance to fire suppression efforts.

Southeastern Oklahoma will also be dry; however overly dry air is not expected as relative humidity values settle into the 40-55% range this afternoon. Grass fuels will generally remain above 8% fine-dead fuel moisture offering opportunity for successful initial attack.

Increasing fire danger through tomorrow afternoon will persist with another warm, dry day prior to another cold front on Saturday that will bring with it decreasing fire danger along with precipitation chances.

**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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