

Fire Situation Report – March 11, 2016

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Oklahoma Forestry Services



PROTECTION AREA STATISTICS* for Reporting Period 0800 thru 0800, 03/10/16 thru 03/11/16

NE Area –
EC Area – No New Activity
SE Area –

Large Fire Activity within the Protection Area: No New Activity

Fire Activity with OFS Response outside the Protection Area: No New 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 recorded on 03/10/16 thru 03/11/16

- o No New Activity Reported – Fire Activity Noted in Media

** - 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: Fire danger today will be limited to Panhandle and northwest Oklahoma where recent rains have not fallen. Temperatures in this area will be 65°-70° this afternoon following a cool start and relative humidity will fall to around 20% during the peak of the burning period. Southeast winds around 10 mph will limit spread potential. Additional rainfall is expected to edge up from the south providing much of the state a decent chance of light to moderate rainfall keeping the damper on fire danger.

Moderate to Very High fire danger will continue through the weekend across the Panhandle through the weekend with sufficient wind speed on Sunday to result in increased fire spread potential. Critical fire weather criteria are not expected to be met at this time. Elsewhere, rain chances will linger through the weekend with most precipitation expected in southeast Oklahoma.

We are keeping an eye on the potential for elevated fire danger early next week in western Oklahoma depending on the breadth of wetting rain coverage over the weekend.

Harper County has issued a county burn ban. For the most current information on Burn Bans click on the following link: <http://www.forestry.ok.gov/burn-ban-information>

**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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