

An integrated approach to the management in prevention and fighting against forest fires

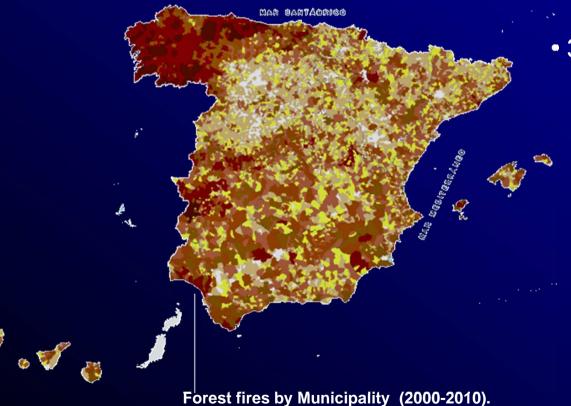
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### **→** FOREST FIRES

### A MAJOR RISK FOR SPAIN

Forest area: 14,4 Millions Ha (30% of the territory of Spain).



- 66% private property.
- 30% Municipalities property.
  - 4% Regions property.





### **→** FOREST FIRES

### **ÁREAS IDENTIFIED AS OF HIGH RISK OF FOREST FIRES**

- 50% of Spanish forest territory has been declared area of high risk forest fires
- Each field or forest of high risk is covered by a Forest Management Plan
- O Central Administration and the regional governments have a common Civil Protection Emergency Plan against Forest Fires (from 1994)

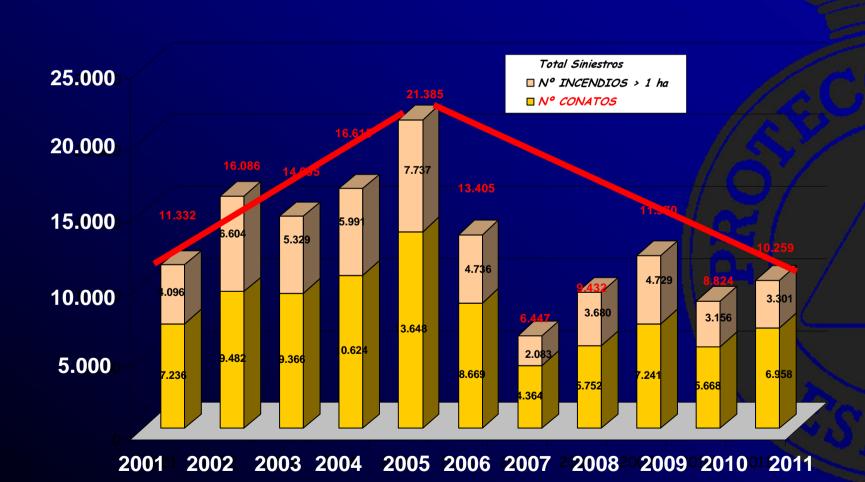






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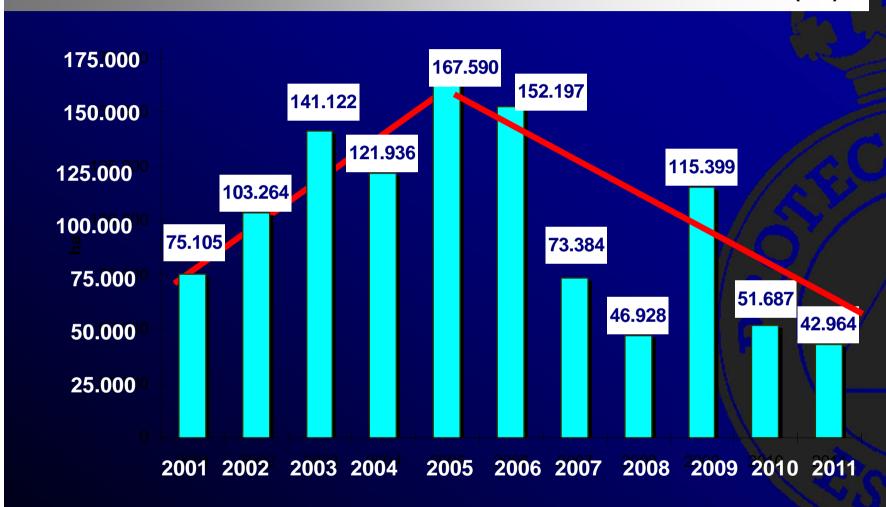






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## **BURN FOREST AREAS (HA)**







### → CAUSES AND MOTIVATIONS

#### PREVENTIVE MEASURES

## X Increased use of forest areas

Lack of danger awareness from urban population

#### **Public awareness**

Training, education, media and prevention culture

## X Fuel building up

Rural area's depletion

Low forest productivity

## **Preventive forestry**

Harvesting and use of Biomass

Sustainable forestry and forest management

### **X** Climate

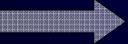
Temperature, humidity, wind

# **Early Warning**

**Remote sensing** 

**Daily risk maps** 







### **→** CAUSES AND MOTIVATION

#### PREVENTIVE MEASURES

**X** Motivation

**Conflicts over protected areas** 

**Labor conflicts** 

Revenge

**Surveillance and prosecution** 

**Penalties** 

**Conciliation of interest** 

X Uncontrolled burning

**Pasture regeneration** 

**Extensive agriculture** 

**Decreased surveillance** 

**Burning procedures regulation** 

**Risk Maps** 

**Technical counseling** 





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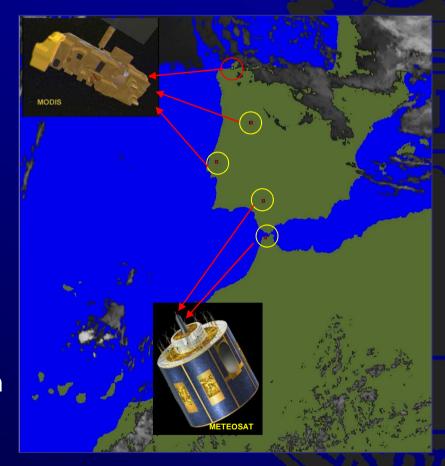


### SATELLITE DETECTION

Space detection based upon Modis (UN/FAO) and Meteosat satellites.

 Integration of data on topography, meteorological forecast, fuel models and satellite observation on humidity though geographical information systems.

Estimation of the potential fire path and evaluation of potential effects on population and properties.





# Automatic e-mail reception of reports and modelling results

De: SACOP

Enviado el: viernes, 06 de mayo de 2011 10:00

Para: Gallego Berruezo, Pilar Asunto: Hotspot MODIS

Se na detectado un hotspot MODIS en la siguiente localización:

Lugar: Abadín, Lugo, Galicia

Coordenadas UTM-30: 132968, 4812375
Fecha de detección: 27/04/2011 11:29 UTC

Probabilidad: 73 %

Se ha realizado una simulación automática, el resultado es que la superficie afectada es de 2012.16 Ha.

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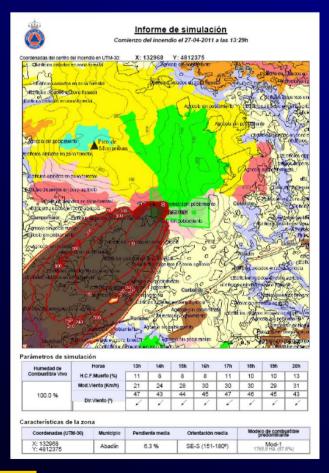
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| Superficie afectada | Dirección dominante de máxima<br>propagación                                    | Velocidad media de<br>propagación | Longitud de liams<br>media |  |  |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| 2012.16 Ha.         | SO(211-240°) (100.0%)   | 27.8 m/min                        |                            |  |  |
| Superficie afectada | •   |                                   |                            |  |  |
| 1517.9 Ha.          | Cultivos agrícolas  |                                   |                            |  |  |
| 244.2 Ha.           | Prado de siega  |                                   |                            |  |  |
| 191.4 Ha.           | Fraga diedicica de Querous robur y Betula celtiberica                           |                                   |                            |  |  |
| 58.5 Ha.            | Tojar extramediterráneo. Mezcla de spp. de Ulex o bien tojar con matorral mixto |                                   |                            |  |  |
| 0.1 Ha.             | Pinus pinaster  |                                   |                            |  |  |

| Minuto | Mod-1            | Mod-5         | Mod-6    | Mod-7         | Mod-9  |  |
|--------|------------------|---------------|----------|---------------|--------|--|
| 30     |                  | 0.32          |          |               |        |  |
| 60     |                  | 1.8           | _        |               |        |  |
| 90     | 7.04<br>0.4%     | 4.08          |          |               |        |  |
| 120    | 70.16<br>3.5%    | 3.38          |          |               |        |  |
| 150    | 146.56<br>7.3%   | 4.52<br>0.3 % | -        |               |        |  |
| 180    | 247.72<br>12.4 % | 4.8<br>0.3 %  | 4.8      |               |        |  |
| 210    | 349.28<br>17.4 % | 5.32<br>0.3 % | _        |               |        |  |
| 240    | 54<br>2.7%       | 3.88          |          |               |        |  |
| 270    | 158.2<br>7.8%    | 2.36<br>0.2 % |          |               |        |  |
| 300    | 308.76<br>15.4 % | 2.16          | 0.24     | 29.6<br>1.5 % | 0.08   |  |
| 330    | 231.24           | 3.16          | 0.8      | 67.16<br>3.4% | 0.12   |  |
| 360    | 194.88           | 3.12<br>0.2 % | 18.4     | 90.98<br>4.5% | 0.12   |  |
| Total  | 1765.8 Ha.       | 38.9 Ha.      | 19.4 Ha. | 187.7 Ha.     | 0.3 Ha |  |

| Minuto | 1-5   | 6-15   | 16-25   | 26-35 | 36-50  | Media (m/min |  |
|--------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|--------------|--|
| 30     | 0.1   |        |         |       |        | 2.7          |  |
| 60     | 0.1   | 0.1    |         |       |        | 5.4          |  |
| 90     | 0.1   | 0.2    |         | 0.4   |        | 22.6         |  |
| 120    | 0.1   | 0.2    |         | 1.4   | 2.2    | 34.3         |  |
| 150    |       | 0.3    |         | 0.2   | 7.2    | 37.2         |  |
| 180    | 0.1   | 0.3    |         |       | 12.4   | 40.0         |  |
| 210    |       | 0.3    |         |       | 17.4   | 40.0         |  |
| 240    | 1.0   | 0.2    | 0.4     |       | 1.4    | 24.0         |  |
| 270    | 3.1   | 0.1    | 4.8     |       |        | 16.3         |  |
| 300    | 2.3   | 1.5    | 13.3    |       |        | 20.5         |  |
| 330    | 0.6   | 3.4    | 11.2    |       |        | 20.7         |  |
| 360    | 0.4   | 5.5    | 9.6     |       |        | 19.4         |  |
| Total  | 7.2 % | 11.7 % | 39.1 96 | 1.8 % | 40.4 % | 27.8 m/mir   |  |

Longitud de llama (cm) y porcentaje sobre el total de la superficie quemada





## **MODELLING AND SIMULATION OF FIRES**

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## **ALERT DISSEMINATION (I)**

## **Dissemination from the National Emergency Center**





Members of the national coordination center

Organizations in charge at regional level.
Representatives of Central Government, in regions and provinces

To the population through media and Web portals





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Publication of daily forecasts on the meteorological and fire risks webs and media



www.proteccioncivil.es

www.inforiesgos.es

mass media





## **→** COORDINATION

**NATIONAL COMMISSION: ANNUAL PLAN ON FIGHTING AGAINST FOREST FIRES** 

**Annual timetable from 15th June to 30th October** 

11 Ministries of State

Regions

**UME (Military Emergency Unit)** 





## **→** FIGHT AGAINST FOREST FIRES

### **ASSETS AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

## **CENTRAL GOVERNMENT ASSETS**

Human resources: about 500 persons

Aerial means: Total 62

| Amphibious planes (5 in reserve)      | 28 |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Land water resupply                   | 9  |
| Helicopters (3 from UME)              | 31 |
| Communications and observation planes | 2  |
| Total                                 | 70 |

## **TOTAL OF SPANISH ASSETS**

Human resources:
Aerial assets:

20.916 286

## **REGIONAL ASSETS**

|       | Human     | Assets        |                         |              |  |        | Aerial Assets |        |  |
|-------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|--------|---------------|--------|--|
|       | resources | Fire vehicles | Meteo<br>mobile<br>unit | 4x4 Vehicles | Heavy duty<br>public work<br>equipment | Others | Helicopters   | Planes |  |
| TOTAL | 20.416    | 931           | 10                      | 1.536        | 48                                     | 3      | 170           | 46     |  |



## **→** FIGHT AGAINST FOREST FIRES

#### **MILITARY EMERGENCY UNIT**

**Human resources:** 30 sections:

1.500 personnel + 1.500 personnel support.

### **Assets**

Fire fighting vehicles: 170

Feeders: 42

Helicopters: 3

Command, control and

logistic support equipment





BIEM II
"GANDO" & "LOS RODEOS"
DETACHMENT





