

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY JULY 18, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Fire activity continued in the Great Basin and Rocky Mountain Areas. Increased initial attack fire activity occurred in the Northwest Area. Resource mobilization through NICC remained steady. Units in California, the Great Basin, Southwest, Rocky Mountain and Eastern Areas continue to report very high to extreme fire dangers.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

FLAT, Richfield District, BLM. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles south of Richfield, UT. Very little activity occurred on the perimeter yesterday. The potential for fire growth today is moderate with forecasted weather. Threats are to a public watershed.

WRAY, Moab District, BLM. This fire is burning 27 miles southeast of Moab, UT.

Rain showers and helicopter bucket work assisted suppression forces.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
FLAT	RID	UT	6,361	75	7/19	420	12	0	0	0	NR	NR
WRAY	MOD	UT	300	50	7/18	88	3	15	1	0	NR	248K

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. The perimeter of the fire was 70% active with 40 foot flame lengths and rates of spread of 30 chains per hour. Southeast winds aided firefighters in containment efforts around the Stony River area. Retardant drops reinforced the handline around one native allotment, while burnout operations protected another cabin in the area.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	279,000	0	UNK	170	7	0	2	3	UNK	651K

Alaska has 39 other large fires burning for a total of 1,051,582 acres.

SOUTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
AMERIND	AZS	AZ	115	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	5K

The Southwest Area has 3 other large fires for 10,265 acres.

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
SENTINEL	WID	NV	7,000	100	---	13	0	4	0	0	70K	60K

OUTLOOK:

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED FOR
SOUTHWEST UTAH FOR GUSTY WINDS AND DRY THUNDERSTORMS.

Utah will be partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Gusty southwest winds of 30 MPH are possible. Dry thunderstorms are forecast for southwest Utah. Temperatures will be in the 80's to lower 90's in northern Utah, and the 90's to 103 in the south.

New Mexico and Arizona will be partly cloudy. Scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms are possible from eastern Arizona through New Mexico. Northwestern Arizona will be breezy. High temperatures will range from the 80's in the mountains to 110 in the Arizona deserts.

Colorado will be partly cloudy and very warm. Widely scattered thunderstorms and isolated dry thunderstorms are possible. Highs will be 90 to 105 across most of the state, with mountain temperatures only reaching the 70's and 80's.

Partly sunny skies with widely scattered thunderstorms will dominate central and eastern Nevada. Breezy conditions are forecast for southern Nevada. Northern temperatures will be in the 80's, with highs reaching 110 in the south.

California will be dry, with breezy conditions in the south. Highs will range from the 60's along the coast, to the 90's and 100's in the valleys and deserts.

Alaska will be partly cloudy with scattered showers and wet thunderstorms. Rain is forecast for the south. Coastal temperatures will be in the 50's and 60's, with interior highs reaching the 70's and 80's.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		0			1		1
NORTHWEST	1	2			2	29	34
CA-NORTH					17	4	21
CA-SOUTH					20		20
NORTHERN		2			6	6	14
GB-EAST		2			3	3	8
GB-WEST		0					0

SOUTHWEST						4	21	25
ROCKY MTN	1	6				2	7	16
EASTERN						16		16
SOUTHERN								0
USA	2	12	0	0		71	70	155

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		20,500			21,212		41,712
NORTHWEST	0	25			0	1	26
CA-NORTH					5	1	6
CA-SOUTH					2		2
NORTHERN		85			12	0	97
GB-EAST		5			0	11	16
GB-WEST		1,200					1,200
SOUTHWEST					21	76	97
ROCKY MTN	1	4			3	2	10
EASTERN					21		21
SOUTHERN							0
USA	1	1,294	0	0	21,276	91	43,187

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA	2	6				2	2	2	26	20
NORTHWEST			7		2					
CA-NORTH		4	2	1		1				
CA-SOUTH					1					
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	12	3	22	5	7	0			107	7
GB-WEST		2	5		1				1	
SOUTHWEST	5				4		2			
ROCKY MTN	1		7		2					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	20	15	43	6	17	3	4	2	134	27

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	49	39	9	445	9	557
NORTHWEST	81	62	6	18	147	189	503
CA-NORTH	54	26	1	11	1,373	273	1,738
CA-SOUTH	27	66	1	30	2,494	474	3,092
NORTHERN	307	17	21	2	84	84	515
GB-EAST	6	155		7	69	113	350
GB-WEST		116		14	36	67	233
SOUTHWEST	542	100	15	46	646	1,045	2,394
ROCKY MTN	282	170		17	666	191	1,326

EASTERN	562			18	8,395	324	9,299
SOUTHERN	4		73	42	16,508	536	17,163
USA	1,871	761	156	214	30,863	3,305	37,170
10 YEAR AVERAGE							46,856

AREA	ACRES BURNED: Year to date						TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	
ALASKA	28	417,979	456,769	17,413	205,140	32	1,097,361
NORTHWEST	213	4,237	207	1	1,066	361	6,085
CA-NORTH	83	511	1	24	3,585	785	4,989
CA-SOUTH	555	3,546	1	50	17,115	9,991	31,258
NORTHERN	1,109	456	1,103		1,076	283	4,027
GB-EAST	36	15,565		16	5,644	256	21,517
GB-WEST		21,171		0	183	688	22,042
SOUTHWEST	1,959	3,625	1,688	885	113,634	9,111	130,902
ROCKY MTN	13,957	5,589		1,390	24,057	768	45,761
EASTERN	3,220			75	54,082	5,088	62,465
SOUTHERN	12		6,074	1,412	215,638	12,980	236,116
USA	21,172	472,679	465,843	21,266	641,220	40,343	1,662,523
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,376,331

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	3	1	388	1,009
YUKON TERRITORY	2	1,811	89	10,124
ALBERTA			291	689
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			74	11,852
SASKATCHEWAN	20	44	251	2,393
MANITOBA	19	950	250	9,170
ONTARIO	19	39	793	25,995
QUEBEC	1	20	562	322,260
NEWFOUNDLAND			62	8,561
NEW BRUNSWICK	3		180	96
NOVA SCOTIA	3		186	429
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			28	93
NATIONAL PARKS			19	276
TOTALS	70	2,865	3,173	392,947

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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