

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1999 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Increased initial attack activity was reported in Northern Rockies and Northwest, with moderate initial attack being reported elsewhere. Smoke jumper demands have increased in the Northwest, Northern Rockies and East Basin. New large fires were reported in the Great Basin, Southern California and Northwest Areas. Good progress was made on large fires in the Northern Rockies, Northwest and the Great Basin Areas. The NIFC jet transported four type 2 crews from Redding, California to Missoula, Montana. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized telecommunications equipment, a caterer, a shower, type 1 and 2 helicopters, infrared aircraft, a single engine air tanker, smokejumpers, crews and overhead personnel. High to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, Utah, Nevada, South Dakota, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

CACHE CREEK, Deschutes National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Jackson) is assigned. This fire is fifteen miles northwest of Sisters, OR. The fire is burning in live and dead lodgepole pine.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CACHE CREEK	OR	DEF	100	UNK	UNK	101	4	NR	NR	0	NR	NR
WEED LAKE BUTTE	OR	BUD	1179	100	----	19	0	3	0	0	NR	NR

BUD = Burns District, BLM.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

SIX MILE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is thirty miles south of Livingston, MT. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SIX MILE	MT	GNF	1134	80	8/4	337	11	5	5	0	NR	460K
SPRING CREEK	MT	LCF	564	100	----	154	2	2	2	0	NR	565K
DEVIL STORM	MT	BRF	1400	100	----	413	11	0	4	0	NR	954K

LCF = Lewis and Clark National Forest.

BRF = Bitterroot National Forest.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SOLDIER, Salmon/Challis National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. Three lightning ignited fires, thirty miles northwest of Stanley Idaho, are being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fires include the Iris fire at 20 acres, the Soldier fire at 2000 acres and the Blue Bunch fire at 9 acres. Cloud cover and smoke from the Iris fire shaded the Soldier fire resulting in little acreage growth. Fireline reinforcement and holding operations continue on Greyhound Ridge and in the Sulphur Peak area.

LONE CEDAR 1, Upper Snake River District, South-Central Idaho Area, BLM. This fire is twenty miles south of Oakley, Idaho. The fire is burning in pinion pine, juniper, sagebrush and grass. Aircraft have been used extensively in battling this incident. Containment is expected later today.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SOLDIER	ID	SCF	2029	0	UNK	64	2	0	4	0	NR	240K
LONE CEDAR 1	ID	SID	300	80	8/3	150	5	12	3	0	17K	141K
SHOSHONE BASIN	ID	SID	515	100	----	45	0	14	0	0	31K	100K
TEXAS CREEK	ID	SAD	1600	100	----	40	0	2	0	0	NR	NR

SAD = Upper Columbia, Salmon/Clearwater District, BLM.

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MARTIN	NV	WID	485	100	----	61	2	4	1	0	NR	NR

WID = Winnemucca Field Office, BLM.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

CANYON, Los Padres National Forest. This fire is four miles northwest of Ojai, CA. The fire is burning on steep terrain in chaparral.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CANYON	CA	LPF	180	UNK	UNK	200	10	NR	3	NR	NR	NR

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BILL BRANCH, National Forests of Florida. This fire is near Silver

Springs, Florida. The fire continues to smolder throughout the burned area, with reburning occurring in the needlecast and hardwood leaves occurring.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BILL BRANCH	FL	FNF	227	93	UNK	7	0	2	0	0	NR	25

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR WESTERN MONTANA TUESDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING FOR DRY THUNDERSTORMS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY. ***

The upper level high near the Four Corners area will push additional moisture northwest into Idaho, Oregon and western Montana, increasing the chance of thunderstorms. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms will be observed over the coast range of Oregon. The increased cloud cover will lower afternoon high temperatures a few degrees and will increase the minimum relative humidities.

Elsewhere across the west there will be a slight chance of scattered thunderstorms. Thunderstorm activity will increase over the Rockies of northern Colorado to New Mexico and west into Arizona later today. Numerous thunderstorms will be found from eastern Arizona north into Utah where precipitation may be heavy.

Morning low clouds and fog will continue along the west coast keeping the maximum afternoon temperatures to the 70's. High temperatures inland will increase to the 90's to 118 in the lowest valleys and deserts. The mountains will see highs from 65 to mid 80's.

Winds will be light over most of western United States, but will increase in the inland valleys of Arizona, California and Nevada. Wind gusts 20 to 25 MPH in these areas in the afternoon. Local gusts to 25 MPH will again be found along the west coast, with gusty winds expected near thunderstorms.

Virginia will be mostly sunny. Temperatures will be a little cooler with highs in the 80's. Winds will be from the north 10 to 20 mph. Minimum relative humidity will be 30 percent.

Florida will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High temperatures will be in the 90s. Winds will be from the northwest around 10 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	FIRES	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA								0
	ACRES							0

NORTHWEST	FIRES	8	4	1		2	47	62
	ACRES	6	1158	5		2	7	1178
CA-NORTH	FIRES		1		1	22		24
	ACRES		1		42	16		59
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	2			18	6	27
	ACRES	3	4			46	189	242
NORTHERN	FIRES	1				19	59	79
	ACRES	35				4	116	155
GB-EAST	FIRES	2	4				19	25
	ACRES	4	1637				32	1673
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			1	2	4
	ACRES		88			0	0	88
SOUTHWEST	FIRES			1		6	6	13
	ACRES			0		39	1	40
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	11				3	1	15
	ACRES	41				3	0	44
EASTERN	FIRES					203		203
	ACRES					290		290
SOUTHERN	FIRES			2		59	11	72
	ACRES			251		503	61	815
TOTAL	FIRES	23	12	4	1	333	151	524
	ACRES	89	2888	256	42	903	406	4584

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	42	30	13	379		466
	ACRES	1	299061	285194	155632	265424		1005312
NORTHWEST	FIRES	157	116	12	8	785	474	1552
	ACRES	2255	5011	3733	2	4448	2352	17801
CA-NORTH	FIRES	106	11	6	17	1930	425	2495
	ACRES	91	8953	33	76	8756	2748	20657
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	51	121	7	29	2058	546	2812
	ACRES	951	1281	11	13947	27404	12394	55988
NORTHERN	FIRES	387	40	12	5	379	469	1292
	ACRES	4480	2324	125	2	33592	4810	45333
GB-EAST	FIRES	31	421		14	183	276	925
	ACRES	1196	168837		7	35685	22651	228376
GB-WEST	FIRES	21	211	2	5	48	97	384
	ACRES	747	248920	116	3	20555	935	271276
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	872	110	9	35	720	1293	3039
	ACRES	14247	24352	225	372	67992	11357	118545
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	421	317	30	37	888	190	1883
	ACRES	8557	12280	703	24	48808	1888	72260
EASTERN	FIRES	513			76	13368	289	14246
	ACRES	2947			798	88313	4195	96253
SOUTHERN	FIRES	34		63	92	28648	820	29657
	ACRES	626		19305	11115	545582	43298	619926
TOTALS	FIRES	2595	1389	171	331	49386	4879	58751
	ACRES	36098	771019	309445	181978	1146559	106628	2551727
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								51148
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								1879860

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERNRO	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				3500		1251	4751
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	3500	0	1251	4751

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				7			7
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						70	70
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0

EASTERN	FIRES								0
	ACRES								0
SOUTHERN	FIRES								0
	ACRES								0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	7	0	0	70	77

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational use. Official totals may be obtained by contacting the Agencies directly.

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires		Hectares	
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	469	4975
YUKON TERRITORY	1	1	98	159636
ALBERTA	0	0	743	119117
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	5	113	167419
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	562	123673
MANITOBA	0	0	477	92603
ONTARIO	6	4	732	306546
QUEBEC	5	6	741	95169
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	199	43485
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	2	524	1253
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	373	1664
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	25	57
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	28	65329
TOTALS	17	18	5084	1180926

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews		Engs		Heli		Airt		Ovrhd	
	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	9	5	19	7	5	3			11	11
CA-NORTH	10	10	16	11	3	4			28	26
CA-SOUTH	8	1	9		8		4			
NORTHERN	37	2	53	29	16	4	1		267	107
GB-EAST	8	2	40	4	12				46	30
GB-WEST	2		4	7	1				4	
SOUTHWEST			1							3
ROCKY MTN	6		2		6		2			
EASTERN		3		3		3			11	19
SOUTHERN	8		7	2	2				53	10
TOTAL	88	23	151	63	53	14	7	0	420	206

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