

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1999 - 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in California and the Southern Area, and minimal elsewhere. Large fire activity continued in California and the Eastern Area, while containment objectives were reached on large fires in the Northwest, Western Great Basin, and Southern Areas. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized infrared aircraft, helicopters, engines, telecommunications equipment, a lead plane, a caterer, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Idaho, Utah, California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Arizona, South Dakota, Wyoming, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, Texas, and Indiana.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

MHRD COMPLEX, Plumas National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Giachino) is assigned. Two uncontained fires in the complex (Bucks and Pigeon) continued to be active. Progress on a burnout from indirect fireline on the Bucks Fire was slow due to higher than expected humidity levels. Some fire spotting occurred on the Pigeon Fire, but the spots were held in check with support from aircraft.

BIG BAR COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bacon) is assigned. This complex is 28 miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. The complex consists of three lightning-ignited fires; the Onion (12,198 acres), Fawn (4,217 acres) and Soldier/Megram (1,127 acres). The smoke inversion lessened yesterday and air operations resumed. Firefighters continued burnout operations on interior portions of the Onion Fire. Burnout operations on part of the Fawn Fire were suspended due to adverse wind conditions. The fireline was held along Trinity Ridge, after the fire made runs out of the Fawn and Barrons Creek drainage basins.

STEIN, Klamath National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. This fire is in the Marble Mountain Wilderness Area, twelve miles northeast of Forks of the Salmon, CA. The fire is burning in heavy concentrations of snags and downed timber. Heavy smoke hampered air operations yesterday afternoon.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MHRD COMPLEX	CA	PNF	26769	35	UNK	3562	126	163	0	0	NR	15.2M
BIG BAR COMPLEX	CA	SHF	19081	62	9/10	1034	30	56	7	0	NR	8.6M
STEIN	CA	KNF	720	0	UNK	365	11	0	11	0	NR	NR

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

RICH BAR COMPLEX, Sequoia National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Roach) is assigned. This complex consists of seven fires in the vicinity of Kern Canyon, 15 miles northeast of Bakersfield, CA. The fires are burning in grass, brush, and oak trees. Access is difficult due to steep terrain. Current threats are to spotted owl habitat.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
RICH BAR COMPLE	CA	SQF	300	0	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

NOONMARK MOUNTAIN, New York State. This fire is located in Essex County. Light rain fell on the fire area yesterday, but the fire remained active in the interior. Steep slopes and rocky outcrops hampered control efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
NOONMARK MOUNTA	NY	NYS	90	20	UNK	70	4	0	4	0	NR	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CEMETERY	NV	CCD	3930	100	----	372	12	16	4	0	NR	950K

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
RAINBOW QUARRY	OR	WSA	3286	100	----	689	25	28	4	0	NR	900K

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
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NAME			CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	LOSS	C-T-D	
OAK CREEK	TX	WTS	1000	100	----	35	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
BANKHEAD COMPLE	AL	ALF	321	100	----	67	2	5	2	0	65K	60K

OUTLOOK:

An upper level ridge will bring sunny skies to Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and most of Idaho. An upper level trough with a weak surface cold front will move over Washington and Oregon. Conditions will be mostly dry with the exception of some drizzle on the coast. Northwest winds of 10 to 20 MPH can be expected on the east side of the Cascades. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's.

Tropical moisture will move into the Great Basin on Thursday with isolated thunderstorms possible over the Sierra Nevada eastward to Utah. Partly cloudy skies will remain over northern and central California. High temperatures will be mostly in the 80's and 90's but ranging to 112 over southern Nevada.

The mountains of southern California, Arizona and southern New Mexico will see isolated to scattered thunderstorms. Highs will be in the 90's to 111 in the low deserts. The region's lowest relative humidity readings will be 10 to 20 percent over the Great Basin, with a few single digit readings in southern Nevada.

New York will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and a few thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's.

Alabama will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms, and highs in the 80's and 90's.

Texas will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms over the western and southern portions of the state. High temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			1	1	3
	ACRES		0			1	2	3
CA-NORTH	FIRES				1	11	1	13
	ACRES				0	19	2857	2876
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		4			12	12	28
	ACRES		200			42	600	842
NORTHERN	FIRES	3			1	3	7	14
	ACRES	4			0	15	0	19
GB-EAST	FIRES					1	1	2

GB-WEST	ACRES					3	0	3
	FIRES		2			3		5
SOUTHWEST	ACRES		0			75		75
	FIRES	1						1
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	1						1
	FIRES	1	2				2	5
EASTERN	ACRES	0	1				1	2
	FIRES						1	1
SOUTHERN	ACRES						1	1
	FIRES			1	1	107	6	115
TOTAL	ACRES			3	1	1502	75	1581
	FIRES	5	9	1	3	138	31	187
	ACRES	5	201	3	1	1657	3536	5403

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	1	42	31	13	388	0	475
	ACRES	1	301525	285194	155932	277772	0	1020424
NORTHWEST	FIRES	338	383	16	48	1467	1318	3570
	ACRES	10449	28316	44629	189	8000	4173	95756
CA-NORTH	FIRES	127	53	7	26	2682	967	3862
	ACRES	190	23707	33	132	61393	134417	219872
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	63	140	9	52	2612	804	3680
	ACRES	1633	6490	12	13953	33196	95776	151060
NORTHERN	FIRE	502	65	19	12	727	1243	2568
	ACRES	5518	4998	178	2	40159	5706	56561
GB-EAST	FIRES	55	694		21	281	630	1681
	ACRES	4725	415330		38	39364	6015	465472
GB-WEST	FIRES	32	613	3	5	87	185	925
	ACRES	775	1394862	116	3	25709	14539	1436004
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	796	120	9	44	761	1431	3161
	ACRES	13085	27133	225	410	69302	11819	121974
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	527	389	36	46	956	241	2195
	ACRES	9415	12876	710	51	51769	3230	78051
EASTERN	FIRES	513			86	14509	332	15440
	ACRES	2947			810	91867	4290	99914
SOUTHERN	FIRES	36		70	96	32891	1008	34101
	ACRES	667		21456	11125	624032	46033	703313
TOTALS	FIRES	2990	2499	200	449	57361	8159	71658
	ACRES	49405	2215237	352553	182645	1322563	325998	4448401
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								60751
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2701810

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
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ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					155		155
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					1300		1300
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				404			404
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	2	0	5	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	404	0	1455	1859

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	0
	ACRES				17		15	32
NORTHERN	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						55	55
GB-EAST	FIRES				0		0	0
	ACRES				20		770	790
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				25			25
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	62	0	840	902

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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 Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	10	54	1028	7727
YUKON TERRITORY	0	32	159	185949
ALBERTA	1	10	1171	118697
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	8	165	533714
SASKATCHEWAN	1	2	723	178928
MANITOBA	7	9	597	120989
ONTARIO	26	12	981	326782
QUEBEC	67	14	997	97542
NEWFOUNDLAND	8	1	223	43495
NEW BRUNSWICK	11	4	584	1233
NOVA SCOTIA	9	0	425	1698
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	25	57
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	40	65368
TOTALS	141	146	7118	1682179

Canada is reporting on Wednesdays

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews Fed	Crews ST/OT	Engs Fed	Engs ST/OT	Heli Fed	Heli ST/OT	Airt Fed	Airt ST/OT	Ovrhd Fed	Ovrhd ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	19	14	11	25	5	1	1		94	24
CA-NORTH	129	69	142	154	7	20			688	370
CA-SOUTH	127	35	45	170	10	24			481	146
NORTHERN	3		17		1	1			1	
GB-EAST	3		3		2				10	
GB-WEST	3	9	2	14		4			38	34
SOUTHWEST			2							
ROCKY MTN			2							
EASTERN		4				4				24
SOUTHERN	15		13	6	2	4			63	3
TOTAL	299	131	237	369	27	58	1	0	1375	601

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