

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2001 - 0630 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 4

CURRENT SITUATION:

Three new large fires were reported, one each in the Rocky Mountain, Eastern Great Basin and Northern Rockies areas. Three large fires met containment objectives, one each in the Eastern Great Basin, Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies areas. Initial attack activity was light nation wide. Very high to extreme fire danger was reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

Geographic Area priorities are being established by the Northern Rockies Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms. Bozeman Area Command (Williams-Rhodes) is assigned to manage the Fridley, Little Joe and Monument fires on the Gallatin National Forest.

MOOSE, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles north of Whitefish, MT. Structure protection continues on the North Fork Road and around Lake McDonald inside Glacier National Park. A wind event is expected, resulting in significant fire movement to the north and east.

LITTLE JOE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Joki) is assigned. This fire is ten miles northwest of Gardiner, MT. Mop up and fireline improvement continue along with some rehabilitation of fireline. Night operations are still suspended due to grizzly bear hazard.

MONUMENT, Gallatin National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Adams) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is in Sweet Grass County, MT in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness Area. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

FRIDLEY, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles southwest of Livingston, MT. Evacuation alerts in the Trail Creek Road and areas accessed by Trail Creek Road have been rescinded. Mopup activities continue with the support of helicopter bucket work.

ELKHORN, Dakota Prairie National Forest. This fire is 25 miles northwest of Medora, ND. Snags along the river system are making containment difficult. Good progress is being made on all divisions.

BARNUM CREEK, Northwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Specht) is assigned. This fire is five miles north of Happy's Inn, MT. Aggressive mopup continued on the flanks and bottom of fire. Crews have completed primary dozer containment lines and continue to line spots.

WALTON, Clearwater National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (McElwain) is assigned. This fire is three miles south of Powell, ID. The Tom Beal road continues to be closed and the Elk Summit Road has been opened with use of a pilot car. Containment lines held, during strong gusty winds. Helicopters continue to provide needed support on remaining spot fires.

SPISTOLS, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. This fire is 11 miles south of Lame Deer, MT. Fire spread was slowed with the use of aerial resources.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MOOSE	MT	FNF	48000	5	UNK	1122	37	26	9	3	5.1M
LITTLE JOE	MT	GNF	860	97	9/3	553	16	13	6	1	2.8M
MONUMENT	MT	GNF	1660	0	9/30	51	1	0	1	0	417K
FRIDLEY	MT	GNF	26500	45	9/5	1307	34	36	13	0	6.8M
ELKHORN	ND	DPF	400	60	9/4	103	0	23	0	0	60K
BARNUM CREEK	MT	NWS	280	80	9/4	338	10	6	3	0	500K
WALTON	ID	CFW	470	85	9/3	688	22	22	5	0	1.5M
SPISTOLS	MT	NCA	125	80	UNK	59	1	8	1	0	NR
EAR	MT	FNF	620	100	---	398	11	5	2	0	3.4M

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

BOULEVARD, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles southwest of LaGrande, OR. Line construction has been completed and mopup is taking place.

REX CREEK COMPLEX, Wenatchee National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Rex Creek, Glory Mountain and four other fires, is 34 miles northwest of Lake Chelan, WA in the Sawtooth Wilderness Area. Warm, dry weather continues to maintain fire activity. Helicopter bucket work is being used to assist in mopup efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BOULEVARD	OR	WWF	150	50	9/5	455	21	0	4	0	406K
REX CREEK COMPL	WA	WEF	43000	65	9/7	254	6	5	6	2	7.0M
HIGH BRIDGE	WA	YAA	1844	100	---	41	1	2	2	0	200K
MT. LEONA COMPL	WA	COF	6144	100	---	294	9	5	3	0	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

ELK CREEK, Payette National Forest. This fire is 15 miles east of Warren, ID. Crews have been able to make good progress in containment efforts, despite high temperatures, low relative humidity and gusty winds.

SNOWSHOE, Salmon-Challis National Forest. This fire, which began on 7/20, is seven miles east of Landmark, ID. Strong gusty winds were experienced on the fire, grounding air resources. Pistol Creek Trail, 44 Creek Trail, and Little Pistol Trail are closed.

IRON CREEK, Bridger-Teton National Forest. This fire is in the Bridger Wilderness, WY. The fire is continuing to move slowly in a northeast direction. Crews are being supported by mule pack strings.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ELK CREEK	ID	PAF	2710	90	9/15	162	6	1	3	0	3.6M
SNOWSHOE	ID	SCF	20000	0	9/20	23	0	1	2	0	1.6M
IRON CREEK	WY	BTF	100	0	UNK	74	3	0	3	0	150K
ROCKWELL	UT	RID	1940	100	---	2	0	1	0	0	21K

RID = Richfield Field Office, BLM

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

HYAMPOM, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Szczepanik) is assigned. This fire is eight miles north of Hayfork, CA. The fire is spreading towards the southeast into Brady Road and Highland Road area where structures are located.

STAR, Eldorado National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Vail) is assigned. This fire is northeast of Georgetown, CA. Protection measures are still in place for Sierra Sequoia Grove and structures in the Red Star Ridge area. Final preparations have been made for burnout operations. Placer County Water Agency was been briefed on incident situation, objectives and strategy.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
HYAMPOM	CA	SHF	720	60	9/4	1544	39	34	7	0	800K
STAR	CA	ENF	11940	45	9/7	2192	57	28	13	0	9.3M

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SUTHERLAND SCHOOL, Black Hills National Forest. This fire is 7 miles south of Pringle, SD. The fire grew rapidly and threatened three homes, no structures lost.

LEROY, Wyoming State Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. This fire is burning in Ponderosa pine and grass, is 12 miles northwest of Wheatland, WY. Acreage increase was primarily a result from indirect fireline and burnout operations.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SUTHERLAND SCHO LEROY	SD	BKF	300	75	UNK	100	0	25	1	0	NR
	WY	WYS	5580	50	9/5	325	12	0	5	0	582K

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BUGGY	NV	CCD	360	100	---	40	1	3	1	0	140K

CCD = Carson City Field Office, BLM

OUTLOOK

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN ISSUED IN THE NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA FOR STRONG, GUSTY WINDS AND LOW MINIMUM RELATIVE HUMIDITY ***

A dry cold front will move into the Northern Rockies area, resulting in windy conditions during the afternoon. Temperatures will be in the 70s and 80s, with 90s in the lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will be 13 to 23 percent with southwest to west winds at 10 to 20 mph and gusts to 30 to 40 mph across the ridges.

An upper level ridge of high pressure begins to build over the Rocky Mountain area with some isolated, dry thunderstorms occurring over the Colorado mountains. Temperatures will be in the mid 70s to lower 80s in the mountains and 85 to 95 in the valleys. Minimum relative humidity will be 20 to 30 percent in the mountains and 10 to 20 percent in the valleys with winds variable at 5 to 15 mph.

Building high pressure over the Eastern Great Basin area results in a return of monsoonal moisture to Utah and continued dry conditions over Idaho. Temperatures will be 73 to 83 in the mountains and 85 to 95 in the lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will be 10 to 25 percent with winds variable at 5 to 15 mph, except in southwest Idaho where winds will be 10 to 25 mph out of the southeast.

A dry westerly flow aloft will be over the Northern California area. Weather conditions will be mostly sunny, with temperatures in the lower 80s to mid 90s inland and in the 60s along the coast. Minimum relative humidity will range from 14 to 22 percent with winds southwest to northwest 12 to 22 mph across the higher elevations and 5 to 15 mph in the lower elevations.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1				8	3	12
NORTHWEST	ACRES	3				1	1	5
CA-NORTH	FIRES	1				7	3	11
CA-NORTH	ACRES	0				203	401	604
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	1			18	2	22
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	0	0			1	0	1
NORTHERN	FIRES	2				2	4	8
NORTHERN	ACRES	125				150	2511	2786
GB-EAST	FIRES		5		1	4	7	17
GB-EAST	ACRES		15		1	0	2618	2634
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			0	2	3
GB-WEST	ACRES		2			100	4	106
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1				1	3	5
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5				0	25	30
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		3			1	6	10
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		1			0	300	301
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					1		1
SOUTHERN	ACRES					1		1
TOTAL	FIRES	6	10	0	1	42	30	89
TOTAL	ACRES	133	18	0	1	456	5860	6468

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	311	3	335
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210141	3263	221942
NORTHWEST	FIRES	242	335	27	38	1474	1259	3375
NORTHWEST	ACRES	96583	295977	6487	618	96426	104521	600612
CA-NORTH	FIRES	128	75	8	23	2485	921	3640
CA-NORTH	ACRES	219	75032	5871	5	39723	85625	206475
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	109	117	16	39	1872	633	2786
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	413	8950	1263	12	19931	29755	60324
NORTHERN	FIRE	751	47	20	32	673	687	2210
NORTHERN	ACRES	8378	4953	453	2858	13422	84837	114901
GB-EAST	FIRES	65	970		63	832	896	2826
GB-EAST	ACRES	693	104264		941	125612	45950	277460
GB-WEST	FIRES	18	614	4	16	110	210	972
GB-WEST	ACRES	8971	479767	1	812	31570	61747	582868
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1169	206	16	44	718	1601	3754
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5488	5495	4568	1083	19398	20509	56541
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	330	600	24	55	424	566	1999
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2153	12904	300	175	44452	9122	69106
EASTERN	FIRES	330		10	49	10531	456	11376

EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	40316	5526	61210
SOUTHERN	FIRES	35		60	1082	23394	701	25272
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4749		19316	37504	613180	18861	693610
TOTALS	FIRES	3179	2966	200	1443	42824	7933	58545
TOTALS	ACRES	142501	988427	39888	50346	1254171	469716	2945049

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 62,797
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 3,259,479

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	66	9			314	406
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4801	7194			50057	66408
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	5	1		41	73
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	615	10		9512	10499
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		44	51

CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		9305	9699
NORTHERN	FIRES	21	7	115		44	301	488
NORTHERN	ACRES	1736	5840	16008		4309	29906	57799
GB-EAST	FIRES		9	4	3	9	40	65
GB-EAST	ACRES		887	1890	177	1490	8876	13320
GB-WEST	FIRES		9		1		2	12
GB-WEST	ACRES		805		0		182	987
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	26	11		2	204	256
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21947	35634		500	59148	119431
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	114	3	2	50	190
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	14836	303	762	26747	49540
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		185	15	142	882	1231
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		56893	35093	87697	702286	882687
TOTAL	FIRES	90	145	515	35	522	2005	3312
TOTAL	ACRES	20415	38789	151884	37112	139075	913185	1300460

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		1	3
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				31		11	42
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				9297		73	9370
NORTHERN	FIRES				12		23	35
NORTHERN	ACRES				501		4799	5300
GB-EAST	FIRES				2		1	3
GB-EAST	ACRES				610		40	650
GB-WEST	FIRES	2	26		1			29
GB-WEST	ACRES	0	7016		618			7634
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				5		21	26
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1332		7185	8517
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		17	1	2		10	30
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2812	48	934		603	4397
EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
EASTERN	ACRES						24	24
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	2	43	1	55	0	69	170
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	9828	48	13293	0	12725	35894

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires		Hectares	
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	1074	8707
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	68	17772
ALBERTA	2	1	835	151813
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	124	108756
SASKATCHEWAN	4	1	745	180015
MANITOBA	0	0	482	77876
ONTARIO	6	1	1420	10600
QUEBEC	1	0	948	31131
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	183	1196
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	402	546
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	392	418
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	25	26
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	92	17389
TOTALS	13	3	6790	606245

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	45	62	34	168	6	21			600	1005
CA-NORTH	181	67	167	47	20	14	7		241	157
CA-SOUTH	21		13		7	1	1		26	2
NORTHERN	100	42	43	127	17	30			718	512
GB-EAST	18	9	12	8	12	9			134	30
GB-WEST	2	3	10	8	1				2	2
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	10	3	7	30	1	7			59	42
EASTERN									8	
SOUTHERN	8									
TOTAL	385	186	286	388	64	82	8	0	1788	1750

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