

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY JUNE 14, 2003 - 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 119 new fires reported. Three new large fires were reported two in the Southwest Area and one in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Two large fire were contained, one in the Southwest Area and one in Northern California Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

THOMAS, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is burning in mixed conifer and aspen forest 16 miles south of Alpine, AZ. Active fire behavior was observed. Steep, rugged terrain, inaccessibility and heavy fuels are hampering suppression efforts. Crews will continue to improve indirect fireline, conduct burn out operations, and use minimum impact suppression tactics (MIST) in primitive areas.

DRY LAKES COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Rath) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use complex, comprised of the Dry, Lake, Sycamore and Moonshine fires, is 27 miles northwest of Silver City, NM. The complex is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Minimal fire activity was observed in pinyon pine, ponderosa pine and grass. Personnel will continue to monitor the complex and support other incidents on the forest.

MORMON, Coconino National Forest. The fire is burning in pinyon pine 19 miles southeast of Flagstaff, AZ. This fire is being managed in a confinement strategy. No new information was reported.

TEN COW, Gila National Forest. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is burning in ponderosa pine, pinyon pine, juniper and grass 32 miles southeast of Reserve, NM. Resources were suppressing spot fires and monitoring fire spread.

JUNIPER, Prescott National Forest. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is burning in ponderosa pine 40 miles northwest of Prescott, AZ. Fire behavior observed was creeping and occasional single tree torching.

RIVER, Colorado River Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This human caused fire is burning in mesquite, salt cedar, and arrow weed, ten miles southwest of Bullhead City, AZ. Resources are continuing to mop up and monitor the unburned islands within the fire.

MORGAN, Gila National Forest. This lightning caused fire is burning in ponderosa pine, grass, mixed conifer with heavy dead and down fuels, 34 miles west of Truth or Consequences, NM. Some isolated torching of brush was observed. Resources are continuing to monitor the spread of fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
THOMAS	AZ	ASF	9,058	40	UNK	471	14	6	6	0	2.1M
DRY LAKES COMPLEX	NM	GNF	8,300	0	UNK	18	0	0	0	0	143K
MORMON	AZ	COF	615	0	6/20	2	0	0	0	0	2.5K
TEN COW	NM	GNF	10,405	NR	UNK	116	4	5	0	0	106K
JUNIPER	AZ	PNF	250	10	UNK	NR	0	0	0	0	25K
RIVER	AZ	CRA	490	90	6/15	64	1	12	0	0	9K
MORGAN	NM	GNF	3,361	---	UNK	29	1	0	0	0	28K
HAY	AZ	CRA	457	100	---	22	0	6	0	0	35K

CRA = Colorado River Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SHEEP, Salt Lake Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is burning in grass and juniper 30 miles northwest of Grantsville, UT. Resources are constructing fire line and mop up. No further information received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SHEEP	UT	SLD	1,200	30	6/15	76	2	5	0	0	4K

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
LUHI	HI	HVP	4,930	100	---	75	3	0	1	0	200K

HVP = Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Drier air is pushing into the Great Basin and should keep most showers and thundershowers east of the Rocky Mountains. The intermountain area will see warmer temperatures as high pressure begins to build. Shower activity is expected to continue over the east and southeast states. High pressure will persist over the Alaska interior.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA Patchy low clouds and fog along the coast and into some coastal valleys, as well as the southern Sacramento Valley, with partial clearing in the afternoon. Mostly sunny otherwise.	From upper 50s to around 70 near the coast and upper 70s to near 90 inland.	17-25% In the driest inland areas and 50% or higher near the coast.	South to west winds, increasing to 5-10 mph in the afternoon. Local gusts to 20 mph, mainly east of the Cascade/Sierra crest.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny.	70-90 In the mountains and valleys, 90-100 upper deserts and 100-110 lower deserts.	15-30% In the mountains, 30-45% valleys and 5-15% deserts.	Southwest to northwest 10-20 mph mountains and deserts, otherwise 5-15 mph.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Dry in the west, with a few afternoon thunderstorms east.	75-85 except up to the lower 90s western Colorado.	10%-20% in western Colorado into central Wyoming, with 26%-37% elsewhere.	Variable at 5 to 15 mph.
SOUTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny west and partly to mostly cloudy east. Scattered thunderstorms in eastern New Mexico and west Texas, with isolated dry thunderstorms possible near the Rio Grande.	70s and 80s In the mountains and 80s and 90s at lower elevations, except near 107 southwest Arizona deserts.	5-15% west, 20-35%+ in the east.	Easterly winds 10-15 mph in eastern New Mexico and west Texas. Upslope/up-valley winds 5 to 15 mph with some higher afternoon gusts elsewhere.
EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Mostly sunny region-wide.	64-82 In the mountains, 78-92 in the valleys except 90-101 in the valleys of southern Utah and the Arizona Strip.	Idaho, western Wyoming, and northern Utah 9-28%. Southern Utah and the Arizona Strip 4-14%.	Light in the west, southwest winds 5-15 mph in the east.



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WORKING WITH HELICOPTER DROPS

Consider the following questions when you have a helicopter with a bucket working in your area:

- Do you have good communications?
- Does the pilot have a clear understanding of the target?
- Are trees and snags in the drop zone?
- Are ground crews clear of the area?
- What are the winds doing?
- Are other aircraft in the area?
- Are people on the ground aware of the effects of the helicopter's rotorwash?
- Will terrain and obstructions allow the helicopter to attain the proper drop height?
- Be aware that helicopter performance capabilities may be significantly reduced at high altitudes and/or high temperatures.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				1	3		4
	ACRES				1	4		5
Northwest	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					0	1	1
Northern California	FIRES	1				12	4	17
	ACRES	0				4	0	4
Southern California	FIRES					9	2	11
	ACRES					18	0	18
Northern Rockies	FIRES					5	2	7
	ACRES					0	1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	12			8	5	27
	ACRES	0	1,209			17	0	1,226
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1				4
	ACRES		42	1				43
Southwest	FIRES	2				1	3	6
	ACRES	547				0	3,373	3,920
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3	10			4	2	19
	ACRES	0	1			0	1	2
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					21		21
	ACRES					187		187
TOTAL	FIRES	8	25	1	1	64	20	119
	ACRES	547	1,252	1	1	230	3,376	5,407

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2		1	3	251	5	262
	ACRES	20		0	674	13,753	0	14,447
Northwest	FIRES	13	17	2	2	89	66	189
	ACRES	3	45	1	0	509	43	601
Northern California	FIRES	30	3		5	338	65	441
	ACRES	11	0		6,510	7,581	66	14,168
Southern California	FIRES	17	26	5	3	569	157	777
	ACRES	159	1,290	355	0	1,695	146	3,645
Northern Rockies	FIRES	446	3	15		119	52	635
	ACRES	2,976	5	695		16,357	1,381	21,414
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	5	110	2	5	68	82	272
	ACRES	0	4,489	0	0	912	38	5,439
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	67	1		7	13	89
	ACRES	0	404	1		29	72	506
Southwest	FIRES	267	77	12	4	448	469	1,277
	ACRES	1,132	3,386	1,288	31	9,585	18,084	33,506
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	35	139	29	10	88	74	375
	ACRES	152	28	1,982	201	292	577	3,232
Eastern Area	FIRES	849		80	15	7,679	376	8,999
	ACRES	51,472		6,605	685	105,876	5,473	170,111
Southern Area	FIRES	101		13	11	10,191	306	10,622
	ACRES	20,402		3,194	756	147,852	8,636	180,840
TOTAL	FIRES	1,766	442	160	58	19,847	1,665	23,938
	ACRES	76,327	9,647	14,121	8,857	304,441	34,516	447,909

Ten Year Average Fires	37,619
Ten Year Average Acres	908,407

Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						170	170
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						5,001	5,001
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						80	80
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5,251	5,251

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	25	90	146	5		211	477
	ACRES	3,229	10,896	4,675	88		24,159	43,047
Northern California	FIRES	2	11	99	15		124	251
	ACRES	31	273	15,958	2,183		9,552	27,997
Southern California	FIRES		2	3	4		85	94
	ACRES		27	621	208		12,285	13,141
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	11	68	3	23	309	426
	ACRES	502	3,808	9,189	510	1,750	14,702	30,461
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	14	3		7	25	50
	ACRES	18	2,771	300		150	6,196	9,435
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		100				230	330
Southwest	FIRES	12	30	17	4	2	225	290
	ACRES	3,332	24,875	36,873	4,877	2	38,128	108,087
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26	14	62	7	10	70	189
	ACRES	1,718	1,336	10,006	8,892	132	4,758	26,842
Eastern Area	FIRES	23		276	16	442	191	948
	ACRES	10,562		55,606	1,823	78,450	26,500	172,941
Southern Area	FIRES	53		252	58	11,455	1,113	12,931
	ACRES	19,379		89,704	73,069	715,194	854,860	1,752,206
TOTAL	FIRES	154	173	926	112	11,945	2,354	15,664
	ACRES	38,771	44,086	222,932	91,650	797,233	991,370	2,186,042

Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments

WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				0		0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						9	9
	ACRES						61,390	61,390
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		13				1	14
	ACRES		10				1	11
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				830			830
TOTAL	FIRES	0	13	0	4	0	16	33
	ACRES	0	10	0	830	0	61,392	62,232

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	3	15	336	3,441
Yukon Territory	1	645	29	1,749
Alberta	1	1	343	1,918
Northwest Territory	0	0	15	15
Saskatchewan	0	0	188	11,000
Manitoba	7	5	435	33,726
Ontario	2	1	358	1,685
Quebec	5	14,652	324	28,122
Newfoundland	0	0	59	97
New Brunswick	2	0	110	136
Nova Scotia	0	0	176	1,252
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	2	0	10	673
Total	23	15,319	2,383	83,813

RESOURCES 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	1	4								
Northwest	1		8						13	
Northern California	3		6		3				14	
Southern California	5		11						12	509
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1	2	12	3					13	1
Western Great Basin	7		7	1	1					
Southwest	20	2	23	9	6				106	16
Rocky Mountain			2		1				12	
Eastern Area									2	
Southern Area										
Total	38	8	69	13	11	0	0	0	172	526

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