# INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT MONDAY JUNE 30, 2003 - 0530 MDT NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

## **CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Northern California Area and light elsewhere with 106 new fires reported. Seven new large fires were reported, two each in the Northern California, Northwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas and one in the Southern California Area. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Southern California, Eastern Great Basin and Southwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas and Utah.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES

TEJON, Kern County Fire Department. A California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Incident Command Team (Kerrigan) has been ordered. This wind driven fire is three miles north of Lebec, CA on Interstate 5. Active fire behavior was observed in grass, oak and brush. Two thousand five hundred residents have been evacuated to a center at Fort Tejon School. Seven hundred fifty residences in Frazier Park, Lebec, O'Neil Canyon and Digier Canyon are threatened; structure protection is in place. An oil pipeline and tank storage facility and a primary power transmission line are threatened. Interstate 5 was closed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
TEJON	CA	KRN	1000	0	7/1	305	9	40	7	0	NR
SAWMILL	CA	KRN	536	100		177	4	7	0	9	800K

## **SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:**

ASPEN, Coronado National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. This fire is in mixed conifer, ponderosa pine and brush, 17 miles northeast of Tucson, AZ. Backing, isolated group torching and short range spotting were observed on the southwest flank in the Pusch Ridge Wilderness Area. Crews are conducting burn out operations, patrolling, mopping up and rehabilitating fireline. Extremely steep slopes, large rock outcrops and rugged ridgelines are hampering containment efforts on the southwest perimeter.

HELEN'S 2, Saguaro National Park. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is 23 miles east of Tucson, AZ. Minimal fire activity was observed in ponderosa pine, mixed conifer, oak and manzanita. Crews are mopping up, cold trailing and rehabilitating fireline. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

JENNY, Gila National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullenix) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is in mixed conifer, pinyon pine and oak, 45 miles northwest of Truth or Consequences, NM. Low to moderate fire behavior with isolated individual tree torching was observed. Crews are building direct attack fireline on the west flank and burning out pockets of unburned fuel on the north perimeter.

DRY LAKE COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Duncan) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use complex, comprised of the Dry Lake, Sycamore, Moonshine and Granny fires, is 27 miles northwest of Silver City, NM. The Granny fire was added to the complex on June 28<sup>th</sup>. The complex is being managed to accomplish multiple resource objectives. Light precipitation moderated fire behavior in decadent stands of mixed conifer, pinyon pine, juniper, ponderosa pine and grass. Crews are preparing trails on the north and west flanks of the Dry Lake fire for possible mitigation actions.

SECO, Gila National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bradley) is assigned. This fire is in the Aldo Leopold Wilderness Area, 15 miles southwest of Winston, NM. The fire is being managed with a confine/contain strategy. Minimal fire activity was observed in mixed conifer, ponderosa pine, oak and grass. Crews are constructing handline and preparing trails for possible mitigation actions.

POWELL, Grand Canyon National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is burning in ponderosa pine, grass, gambel oak and manzanita, 23 miles northwest of Grand Canyon Village, AZ. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Poor relative humidity recovery contributed to a long-duration burn period. The fire has spread south with short, uphill runs observed in brush on the steep sides of the Powell Plateau. The Mauv Saddle historic cabin has been protected from potential fire spread.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ASPEN	AZ	CNF	37,500	65	UNK	468	8	25	7	323	8.2M
HELEN'S 2	ΑZ	SAP	3,500	90	6/30	591	17	0	6	0	3.2M
JENNY	NM	GNF	5,800	60	UNK	403	11	14	3	0	1M
DRY LAKE COMPLEX	NM	GNF	33,500	0	UNK	88	6	0	2	0	957K
SECO	NM	GNF	5,300	25	UNK	317	8	2	3	0	545K
POWELL	ΑZ	GCP	2,030	0	UNK	39	0	0	1	0	319K
MONTANO	NM	N6S	338	100		394	8	12	1	1	1.5M

N6S = Bernalillo District, New Mexico State

## **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

FRIDAY, Six Rivers National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Wendt) will assume command today at 0600 PDT. This fire is on Highway 299, one mile west of Salyer, CA. Spotting and torching were observed in heavy timber. Residents along Highway 299 have been evacuated. Several residences are threatened; structure protection is in place.

97, Siskiyou Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is ten miles northeast of Weed, CA. Active fire behavior was observed in brush. Forty residents have been evacuated to a center at Big Springs Elementary School. Twenty residences are threatened in a rural subdivision; structure protection is in place. One residence was lost during the initial phases of the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
FRIDAY	CA	SRF	120	0	UNK	280	7	11	2	0	NR
97	CA	SKU	400	0	UNK	99	1	22	2	1	NR

#### NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES

DAVIS, Deschutes National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is in lodgepole pine, Douglas fir, white fir and ponderosa pine, 12 miles west of La Pine, OR. Major runs, crowning and long range spotting were observed. Crews are flanking the fire with handline from established anchor points. Campers along Wickiup Reservoir and several residents have been evacuated; structure protection is in place for ten residences.

DAISY HILL ROAD, Southwest Oregon District, Oregon Department of Forestry. This fire is one mile west of Cave Junction, OR. Running fire was observed in grass and brush. Crews are constructing fireline and providing structure protection. A trailer park and several homes have been evacuated. Four residences were lost during the initial phases of the fire.

BEAR LAKE, Willamette National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) will assume command today at 0600 PDT. This fire is 15 miles east of Detroit, OR. Isolated torching, creeping and smoldering were observed in mixed conifer with heavy fuel loading. Smokejumpers made good progress establishing containment lines.

SULPHER CREEK, Western Lane District, Oregon Department of Forestry. This fire is in timber and heavy logging slash, five miles southeast of Mapleton, OR. No further information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
DAVIS	OR	DEF	3,000	20	7/5	172	26	24	1	0	369K
DAISY HILL ROAD	OR	71S	100	0	6/30	103	3	12	2	4	NR
BEAR LAKE	OR	WIF	30	30	7/2	103	2	0	3	0	NR
SULPHUR CREEK	OR	78S	650	30	UNK	160	6	0	4	0	NR

## **EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES**

APEX, Southwest State, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) will assume command today. This fire is in brush, pinyon pine and juniper, 12 miles west of St. George, UT. The fire spread to the north and south, and spotted across Bulldog Road. Erratic winds and rugged terrain are hampering containment efforts.

WOODENSHOE, Manti-LaSal National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Bonefeld) has been ordered. This fire is in the Dark Canyon Wilderness Area, 25 miles west of Blanding, UT. A major run to the northeast with crowning and spotting was observed in mixed conifer. Smokejumpers are constructing handline in an effort to keep the fire from backing into Woodenshoe Canyon.

FIN CANYON, Southeast State, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. This fire is 18 miles west of Price, UT. Minimal fire activity was observed in mixed conifer and logging slash. Crews successfully contained several spot fires and are mopping up.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
APEX	UT	SWS	6,666	0	UNK	126	4	5	1	0	232K
WOODENSHOE	UT	MLF	500	0	UNK	42	1	1	0	0	NR
FIN CANYON	UT	SES	100	35	6/30	114	4	3	2	0	NR
ROSS	ID	IFD	935	100		16	0	4	0	0	NR

IFD = Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, Bureau of Land Management

## **ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

SAND CREEK, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (McKnight) is assigned. Transfer of command to a Type 3 organization will occur today. This fire is in black spruce, tundra and hardwoods, 25 miles northeast of Delta Junction, AK. Minimal fire activity was observed on the west flank. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG		STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SAND CREEK	AK	AKS	43,150	0	UNK	126	3	0	4	1	1.2M

## **OUTLOOK:**

**Red Flag Warnings:** In portions of northwestern Montana for dry lightning, gusty winds and low relative humidity.

**Fire Weather Watches:** In portions of southern Idaho for strong southwest winds, low relative humidity and high Haines Index; in portions of western Montana for dry lightning, gusty winds and low relative humidity.

**Weather Discussion:** A cold front which passed over the Pacific Northwest yesterday will progress across the Northern Rockies today. Gusty winds will remain in place behind the front in eastern Oregon and eastern Washington. Higher elevations in eastern Arizona and most of New Mexico will still have enough moisture for isolated thunderstorms today. In the Southeast, tropical storm Bill is projected to move onshore overnight near the Texas/Louisiana border. In Alaska, warm and dry weather will remain in place over interior sections.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
ALASKA AREA Northern: sunny Southern: partly cloudy	Northern: upper 60s to upper 70's Southern: mid 60s to mid 70s	Northern: 25 to 35% Southern: 30 to 40%	Northern: variable to southwest at less than 10 Southern: variable to southwest at less than 15
EASTERN GREAT BASIN A slight chance of dry thunderstorms over the mountains of eastern Utah, otherwise mostly sunny, locally breezy, and very dry.	Idaho, Bridger- Teton: 68 to 79 mountains, 80 to 91 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 75 to 90 mountains, 90 to 106 valleys.	Idaho, Bridger- Teton, northern half Utah: 12 to 25% mountains, 7 to 20% valleys. Southern half Utah and Arizona Strip: 2 to 15%	West 10 to 20 over Idaho and western Wyoming, southwest 10 to 20 over western Utah, variable 5 to 15 mph eastern Utah.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Clear except for night and morning fog and low clouds along the coast and in the coastal valleys.	60s near the coast. Inland 70s and 80s higher elevations and 80s and 90s lower elevations.	7 to 15% east of the Sierra- Cascade Crest and 15 to 30% west of the crest.	Southwest to west 8 to 15 mph in the afternoon with gusts 20 to 25 mph along and east of the Sierra-Cascade Crest.
NORTHWEST AREA Mostly cloudy western Washington and northwestern Oregon with a few showers. Partly cloudy eastern Washington with a chance of mountain showers. Mostly sunny eastern Oregon.	Cooler. 60s and 70s west of Cascades and 70s and 80s eastside.	Higher. Above 50% west side and 20 to 35% east side except 6 to 16% southeast Oregon.	Southwest to west 10 to 20 mph and gusty east of Cascades.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Dry except isolated thunderstorms over eastern sections.	Highs in the 80s, except lower to mid 90s western Colorado, northeast Wyoming, and western South Dakota.	10 to 20% western sections, 25 to 40% in the east.	Westerly 5 to 18 mph in the west, southerly 8 to 20 mph in the east.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny.	75 to 90 mountains. 85 to 100 valleys. 90 to 105 upper desert 100 to 115 low desert	8 to 15% deserts 15 to 30% mountains 30 to 50% valleys	Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.
WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA A trough of low pressure is moving into Oregon-Idaho, bringing increasing southwest to west winds to northern Nevada and much cooler temperatures. Mostly sunny skies will have just a bit of afternoon cloudiness.	In the north: 80 to low 90s at low elevations, 75 to 85 in higher elevations.  In the south: 90s to 102 at low elevations and in the 80s to low 90s at higher elevations.	5 to 12% southern deserts, 8 to 18% in the northern valleys, 12 to 22% in the central mountains and 20 to 35% in the Sierras	Southwest to west 15 to 25 mph in the northwestern half of the state, south to southwest 5 to 15 in the southeastern half.



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## **ESCAPE ROUTES**

An escape route is a preplanned and understood route to reach a safety zone.

- What are the primary concerns in choosing an escape route?
  - Select the closest, least obstructed route.
  - Plan for more than one escape route.
  - Avoid an uphill escape.
  - Scout and clearly mark the route for visibility (aids during smoky situations or night operational periods).
  - Determine escape time. Consider slowest person, fatigue and temperature factors.
    - Continuously reassess the situation with regard to work progress and additional resource arrivals.
    - Assure all line personnel are familiar with escape routes.

# FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			0		1		1
AldSka	ACRES			1,000		3,854		4,854
Northwest	FIRES	2	2			3	7	14
Northwest	ACRES	1	1			502	32	536
Northern California	FIRES					19	8	27
	ACRES					21	136	157
Southern California	FIRES				1	17	6	24
	ACRES				1	7	4	12
Northern Rockies	FIRES					7	5	12
	ACRES					4	1	
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	1			5	2	8
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES	235	5,670			289	500	6,694
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1			1	1	2	5
	ACRES	0			0	45	1,901	1,946
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2				1	3
,	ACRES		0				0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					12		12
	ACRES					16		16
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	3	5	0	2	65	31	106
	ACRES	236	5,671	1,000	1	4,738	2,574	14,220

# FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	13	13	10	306	7	351
Aldona	ACRES	20	868	43,835	3,517	156,653	0	204,893
Northwest	FIRES	34	44	3	5	156	145	387
	ACRES	60	171	1	2	562	1,118	1,914
Northern California	FIRES	43	7	1	5	639	146	841
	ACRES	23	0	1	6,510	8,777	220	15,531
Southern California	FIRES	24	55	5	4	809	192	1,089
	ACRES	164	1,368	355	2	5,166	543	7,598
Northern Rockies	FIRES	463	6	16	2	163	92	742
	ACRES	2,994	11	701	0	16,380	1,423	21,509
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	11	183		5	140	175	514
	ACRES	1,178	13,589		0	1,617	649	17,033
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	137	1	2	25	24	192
	ACRES	0	1,556	0	0	507	594	2,657
Southwest	FIRES	372	89	12	9	530	639	1,651
	ACRES	2,137	3,402	1,288	3,391	12,422	71,554	94,194
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	52	262	22	17	423	125	901
	ACRES	161	147	1,584	202	3,324		6,010
Eastern Area	FIRES	905		65	16	8,075	394	9,455
	ACRES	52,186		6,591	685	107,294	5,490	172,246
Southern Area	FIRES	104		14	11	10,318	310	10,757
	ACRES	20,412	-	3,719			8,768	
TOTAL	FIRES	2,013	796	152	86	21,584	2,249	26,880
	ACRES	79,335	21,112	58,075	15,065	464,077	90,951	728,615

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments\*\*\*

Ten Year Average Fires	42,484
Ten Year Average Acres	1,311,762

# PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES				-		,	0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_		-	_			0
	FIRES			<u> </u>				0
Northern California		_		-	-			
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				0			0
Codinom Camornia	ACRES				200			200
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Northern Nockies	ACRES							0
Fastana Ossat Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
W . O . D .	FIRES				0			0
Western Great Basin	ACRES				200			200
	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES	_			_		,	0
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Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
	FIRES					1		1
Southern Area	ACRES	_				3		3
	FIRES	0	) (	) (	0			
TOTAL	ACRES				400	3	0	403

# PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaaka	FIRES					6		6
Alaska	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Nigothoroga	FIRES	28	90	146	5		217	486
Northwest	ACRES	5,351	10,896	4,675	88		28,180	49,190
Northern California	FIRES	2	11	99	16		127	255
Northern Camornia	ACRES	31	273	15,958	2,193		9,712	28,167
Southern California	FIRES		2	3	5		89	99
Oddinem Camornia	ACRES		27	621	749		13,641	15,038
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	11	68	4	23	312	430
	ACRES	502	3,808	9,189	760	1,750	14,997	31,006
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	17	3		9	24	54
	ACRES	18	3,791	300		910	6,200	11,219
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1		1		1	3
Western Oreat Dasin	ACRES		100		250		230	580
Southwest	FIRES	12	32	19	4	3	226	296
	ACRES	3,332	25,321	39,373	4,877	12	43,128	116,043
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26	14	76	8	10	73	207
	ACRES	1,718	1,336	12,261	9,442	132	5,683	30,572
Eastern Area	FIRES	23		308	16	443	194	984
	ACRES	10,562		56,030	1,823	78,470	26,708	173,593
Southern Area	FIRES	53		254	62	11,457	1,143	12,969
	ACRES	19,379		90,182	81,099	715,304	881,098	1,787,062
TOTAL	FIRES	157	178	976	121	11,951	2,406	15,789
	ACRES	40,893	45,552	228,589	101,281	798,133	1,029,577	2,244,025

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>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
Northwest	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
Tronging Gamornia	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				0		C	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1			1
TVOTATIONT TVOORIGO	ACRES				1			1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						5	5
Edotom Groat Baom	ACRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Wooten Great Basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1		9	10
ocanimos:	ACRES				750		80,723	81,473
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		15	5	2		1	18
Rooky Wourtain	ACRES		110		0		1	111
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
Lastom Arca	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				830			830
TOTAL	FIRES		0 15	S C	8		0 18	41
	ACRES		0 110	C	1,581		0 80,725	82,416

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# **CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE	
British Columbia	0	0	432	3,614	
Yukon Territory	5	820	45	3,718	
Alberta	3	0	466	2,450	
Northwest Territory	5	2,722	50	3,240	
Saskatchewan	5	17	244	38,888	
Manitoba	35	4,586	646	196,764	
Ontario	1	19,917	607	264,787	
Quebec	20	513	450	48,622	
Newfoundland	7	0	94	1,142	
New Brunswick	8	3	135	172	
Nova Scotia	2	0	199	1,261	
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0	
National Parks	0	0	6	343	
Total	91	28,577	3,374	565,001	

# **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	2	8				4			27	25
Northwest	4	40	5	33	3	8			101	42
Northern California	6	3	12	21	2	2			25	16
Southern California	3	9	8	39	8	6				9
Northern Rockies				3						
Eastern Great Basin	9	3	17	1	4	1			40	3
Western Great Basin	1									
Southwest	53	8	17	44	14	11			585	299
Rocky Mountain			2		1		1		2	2
Eastern Area										
Southern Area			1	2					1	1
Total	78	71	62	143	32	32	1	0	781	397

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> NATIONAL INTERAGENCY COORDINATION CENTER \*\*\*