# INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT <br> MONDAY JULY 28, 2003-0530 MDT <br> NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 5 

## CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Eastern Great Basin and Rocky Mountain Areas, and light elsewhere. Nationally, 332 new fires were reported. Five new large fires were reported, two in the Southern Area and one each in the Eastern Great Basin, Rocky Mountain and Northern California Areas. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Rocky Mountain, Southwest and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

On July $26^{\text {th }}$, a helicopter crashed while responding to a reported fire near Aspen Ridge, AZ on the White Mountain Apache Reservation. The pilot and a crewmember were fatally injured. The firefighting community extends condolences to family and friends of the deceased.

## NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned to manage large fires on the Flathead National Forest and Glacier National Park.

WEDGE CANYON, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. This fire is in sub-alpine fir with down fuel, 20 miles east of Eureka, MT. Fire whirls, torching and crowning in short durations were observed. Evacuations remain in effect. Eleven additional outbuildings have been confirmed lost.

ROBERT, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stam) is assigned. This fire is in timber, 8 miles north of Columbia Falls, MT. Several short crown fire runs were observed. Structure protection is in place for 200 residences and 24 commercial properties.

TRAPPER CREEK COMPLEX, Glacier National Park. A transfer of command from Cook's Fire Use Management Team to Raley's Type 1 Incident Management Team will occur on 7/28 at 0600. This complex, comprised of Trapper Creek, Wolf Gun and Paul Bunyan fires, is in mixed conifer with dead and down fuels, 45 miles northeast of Kalispell, MT. Ground fires with occasional torching were observed. The Many Glaciers developed area remains evacuated. Structure protection is in place for three commercial properties. Going to the Sun Highway through Glacier National Park is closed.

BLACK FROG COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Blackwall and Frog Pond fires, is 34 miles south of Hamilton, MT and 32 miles north of Salmon, ID. Isolated torching was observed. Structure protection is in place for 75 residences and one commercial property. Evacuations from Moose Meadows remain in place. Highway 93 is closed to public vehicles from 2100 on $7 / 27$ to 0900 on 7/28.

SLIMS, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Benes) is assigned. This fire is in ponderosa pine and mixed conifer, 35 miles east of Grangeville, ID. Up canyon winds continue to push the fire up Meadow Creek toward Horse Creek. Fire continues to spread in heavy surface fuels.

HUNT CREEK FIRE, Priest Lake Area Office, Idaho Department of Lands. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) will assume command on 7/28 at 1200. This fire is in heavy, cured logging slash, eight miles north/northwest of Coolin, ID. Active fire behavior with group torching and short range spotting was observed.

ROSS CREEK, Kootenai National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sandman) is assigned. This fire is in sub-alpine fir with tall brush and heavy down fuel loads, 20 miles southwest of Troy, MT. Torching and short range spotting was observed.

HIDDEN LAKE, Beaverhead/Deerlodge National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Chrisman) is assigned. This fire is in sub-alpine fir, four miles northeast of Polaris, MT. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

BIG CREEK, Bitterroot National Forest. A transition between Swope's Type 2 Incident Management Team and a Type 3 organization will occur on $7 / 28$ at 0600 . This fire is in timber, four miles northwest of Victor, MT. Minimal fire behavior with continued burning in heavier fuels was observed.

AMETHYST, Yellowstone National Park. This fire is in old growth timber, litter and understory, 25 miles southeast of Mammoth Hot Springs, WY.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| WEDGE CANYON | MT | FNF | 18,850 | 5 | $8 / 18$ | 855 | 21 | 30 | 1 | 29 | 4.2 M |
| ROBERT | MT | FNF | 9,310 | 0 | UNK | 637 | 16 | 58 | 5 | 0 | 1.3 M |
| TRAPPER CREEK <br> COMPLEX | MT | GNP | 16,500 | 35 | $9 / 5$ | 101 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 192 K |
| BLACK FROG COMPLEX | MT | BRF | 8,000 | 25 | UNK | 783 | 25 | 19 | 4 | 0 | $3.7 M$ |
| SLIMS | ID | NPF | 2,200 | 15 | UNK | 380 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2.0 M |
| HUNT CREEK FIRE | ID | PLS | 300 | 20 | $7 / 30$ | 192 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 0 | NR |
| ROSS CREEK | MT | KNF | 142 | 35 | UNK | 212 | 16 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 720 K |
| HIDDEN LAKE | MT | BDF | 3,500 | 35 | UNK | 229 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 0 | $1.7 M$ |
| BIG CREEK | MT | BRF | 1,339 | 80 | UNK | 392 | 11 | 15 | 2 | 0 | $3.2 M$ |
| AMETHYST | WY | YNP | 315 | 95 | $7 / 30$ | 51 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 600 K |
| LITTLE SALMON CREEK <br> COMPLEX - WFU | MT | FNF | 250 | N/A | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 K |

## EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

An Area Command Team (Ribar) is assigned to manage large fires on the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

HOT CREEK, Boise National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Sexton) is assigned. This fire is in mixed conifer with heavy fuel loading, eight miles west of Atlanta, ID. Slow moving surface fire with occasional torching was observed. Evacuations of isolated summer cabins and campers remain in effect. Structure protection is in place for 80 residences and ten commercial properties.

CRAMER, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Martin) is assigned. This fire is in timber, 20 miles west of North Fork, ID. Minimal fire behavior was observed. Structure protection is in place for 38 residences.

CRYSTAL CREEK, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Muir) is assigned. This fire is in sub-alpine fir, brush and grass, 18 miles north/northwest of Stanley, ID. Isolated torching was observed.

BLACK ROCK, Salt Lake Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is in pinyon pine, juniper, Douglas fir and sage, 30 miles west of Spanish Fork, UT. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching was observed.

BULLDOG, Richfield Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is in oak, mountain mahogany, juniper and pinyon pine, 17 miles north of Ticaboo, UT. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

COTTONWOOD, Moab Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is in fir and oak brush, 65 miles northeast of Moab, UT. No new information was received.

JOE HATCH, Moab Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) will assume command on $7 / 28$ at 0800. This fire is 25 miles north of Green River, UT. Minimal fire behavior was observed in Douglas fir and mountain brush.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | $\%$ <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| HOT CREEK | ID | BOF | 19,489 | 15 | UNK | 784 | 24 | 18 | 9 | 1 | $2.3 M$ |
| CRAMER | ID | SCF | 5,614 | 60 | $7 / 31$ | 367 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1.1 M |
| CRYSTAL CREEK | ID | SCF | 1,319 | 60 | UNK | 294 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1.0 M |
| BLACK ROCK | UT | SLD | 482 | 50 | $7 / 29$ | 200 | 6 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 203 K |
| BULLDOG | UT | RID | 31,738 | 85 | UNK | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 2.0 M |
| COTTONWOOD | UT | MOD | 200 | 30 | UNK | 73 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | NR |
| JOE HATCH | UT | MOD | 165 | 0 | UNK | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR |
| TIMBER TOP COMPLEX <br> - WFU | UT | ZIP | 296 | N/A | N/A | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR |

ZIP = Zion National Park

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

RED POINT, Black Hills National Forest. A Type 2 Florida State Incident Management Team (Jones) is assigned. This fire is 16 miles southeast of New Castle, WY. Occasional crowning and short range spotting were observed in timber. Residents, west of Dewey Road and south of Elk Mountain, remain evacuated. Structure protection is in place for 71 residences.

LANGLAS DRAW, White River National Forest. This fire is in fir, ponderosa pine, aspen and oak brush, 25 miles southeast of Meeker, CO. Backing fire with isolated torching was observed.

BIG SPRING, Casper Field Office (East Zone), Bureau of Land Management. A transfer of command from Kearney's Type 2 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization will take place today. This fire is in ponderosa pine, pinyon pine and juniper, 30 miles north of Kaycee, WY. Minimal fire behavior was observed. Evacuations have been lifted.

DITCH CREEK, Bighorn National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Blume) is assigned. This fire is in lodgepole pine, spruce and fir, five miles southwest of Story, WY. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching was observed.

DEEP LAKE, Shoshone National Forest. A transition from Domanski's Type 2 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization will occur on $7 / 28$ at 1000 . This fire is in mixed conifer and grass, 30 miles northwest of Cody, WY. No visible fire was observed.

BALCONY HOUSE COMPLEX, Mesa Verde National Park. This complex, comprised of Moccasin, White, Balcony and Park fires is in pinyon pine, juniper, ponderosa pine, Douglas fir, grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior was observed; ground fuels are continuing to burn out.

RED ROCK, White River Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 30 miles south of Rangely, CO. Uphill runs were observed in juniper and pinyon pine.

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| RED POINT | SD | BKF | 15,500 | 40 | $7 / 30$ | 806 | 25 | 43 | 4 | 0 | 2 M |
| LANGLAS DRAW | CO | WRF | 361 | 15 | 731 | 138 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 224 K |
| BIG SPRING | WY | CAD | 2,700 | 90 | $7 / 29$ | 330 | 7 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 1.7 K |
| DITCH CREEK | WY | BHF | 370 | 50 | $7 / 31$ | 268 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 489 K |
| DEEP LAKE | WY | SHF | 6,886 | 55 | $9 / 15$ | 98 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1.3 M |
| BALCONY HOUSE <br> COMPLEX | CO | MVP | 2,750 | 35 | $8 / 15$ | 67 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3.6 M |
| RED ROCK | CO | WRD | 100 | 0 | UNK | 40 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR |
| MAVERICK | CO | GJD | 1,161 | 100 | --- | 220 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 528 K |

GJD = Western Slope Center, Bureau of Land Management

## NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CLARK, Willamette National Forest. A transfer of command from Gardner's Type 2 Incident Management Team to Morcom's Type 2 Incident Management Team will occur today. This fire is in understory and timber with dead and down fuels, ten miles northeast of Lowell, OR. Some interior islands of fuel continue to burn with isolated torching.

FAWN PEAK COMPLEX, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) and a Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gormley) are assigned. This complex is comprised of the Fawn Peak, Sweetgrass and Farewell fires; the Fawn Peak and Sweetgrass fires have been controlled. The Farewell fire is in sub-alpine fir with heavy dead and down timber, 13 miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. The fire was most active in the northwest corner with torching, crowning and up slope runs. A portable retardant dip site is being established in Canada to support helicopter operations. A Canadian hand crew will arrive today to assist with the suppression effort.

MCGINNIS FLATS, Colville Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jennings) is assigned. This fire is in pine and grass, one mile north of Keller, WA. Active fire behavior with short uphill runs was observed. Fireline on steep terrain was completed with the use of Fire Line Explosives (FLE).

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| CLARK | OR | WIF | 4,964 | 70 | $7 / 30$ | 887 | 21 | 38 | 4 | 1 | 8.5 M |
| FAWN PEAK COMPLEX | WA | OWF | 68,539 | 35 | UNK | 1,217 | 29 | 15 | 13 | 0 | 22.8 M |
| MCGINNIS FLATS | WA | COA | 2,233 | 70 | $7 / 30$ | 627 | 14 | 35 | 1 | 2 | 4.3 M |

## SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

GRANITE, Gila National Forest. This fire is in mixed conifer, grass and oak, 13 miles northwest of Hillsboro, NM.

BLUE RIVER COMPLEX, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Steeple, Largo and Thomas fires, is in ponderosa pine, mixed conifer, pinyon pine, brush and grass, 18 miles south of Alpine, AZ.

TURNBO, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. This fire is in mixed conifer with continuous pine stringers, 37 miles northwest of Silver City, NM, and is being managed with a confinement suppression strategy. Creeping fire with minimal acreage growth due to precipitation was observed. The fire is being monitored by aerial reconnaissance.

KINISHBA, Fort Apache Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is in ponderosa pine, woodlands and chaparral, two miles west of Whiteriver, AZ. No new information was received.

SPRUCE COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. This complex, composed of the Spruce, Silver, Nabours, Parallel, Sacaton, Rain, and House fires are in brush, ponderosa pine and mixed conifer, 18 to 20 miles east, southeast and northeast of Glenwood, NM. Minimal fire behavior was observed due to rain.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| GRANITE | NM | GNF | 3,300 | 15 | UNK | 50 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 K |
| BLUE RIVER COMPLEX | AZ | ASF | 18,537 | 70 | UNK | 39 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6.3 M |
| TURNBO | NM | GNF | 18,505 | NR | UNK | 18 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1.1 M |
| KINISHBA | AZ | FTA | 24,714 | 90 | UNK | 98 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5.7 M |
| SPRUCE COMPLEX | NM | GNF | 9,452 | 50 | UNK | 37 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | NR |
| DRY LAKE COMPLEX- <br> WFU | NM | GNF | 94,580 | N/A | N/A | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.4 M |
| RIVER | AZ | TNF | 270 | 100 | --- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 K |

TNF = Tonto National Forest

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

CANYON, Riverside Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF). A CDF Type 1 Incident Command Team (Henson/Oplinger) is assigned. This fire is in heavy brush, two miles southeast of San Jacinto, CA. Spotting and fire runs were observed. Evacuations remain in effect. Structure protection is in place for 164 residences and one commercial property. Five outbuildings have been confirmed lost.

BASIN, Sequoia National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dietrich/McCormick) is assigned. This fire is in brush, oak woodland and urban interface, 16 miles northeast of Caliente, CA. Minimal fire behavior was observed. Structure protection is in place for 35 residences.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | $\%$ <br> \%TN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| CANYON | CA | RRU | 4,300 | 80 | $7 / 28$ | 1,102 | 44 | 82 | 6 | 6 | 2.4 M |
| BASIN | CA | SQF | 1,200 | 90 | $7 / 28$ | 1,021 | 31 | 70 | 9 | 0 | 2.1 M |

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

ACKLEY, Modoc National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Wendt) is assigned. This fire is in grass, sage and juniper, eight miles south of Tule Lake, CA. Wind-driven runs, fire whirls and short range spotting were observed. Structure protection is in place for 60 residences.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | $\%$ <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| ACKLEY | CA | MDF | 6,000 | 50 | UNK | 658 | 24 | 58 | 5 | 0 | NR |

## SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

GRASSEY LOOP, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is in pine plantations, 12 miles northeast of Antlers, OK. Some crowning in smaller plantations was observed.

GATOR FIRE COMPLEX, Sabine National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is five miles southwest of Hackberry, LA. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | $\%$ <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD |
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| GRASSEY LOOP | OK | OKS | 1,500 | 45 | $7 / 29$ | 34 | 10 | 9 | 1 | 0 | NR |
| GATOR FIRE COMPLEX | LA | SBR | 500 | 90 | UNK | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | NR |
| BOSTON POOL | OK | OSA | 200 | 100 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 K |

OSA = Osage Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

## OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Hotter and drier weather is on tap for much of the west as high pressure strengthens over the region. With the center of the upper high over Nevada, moisture will begin to spread from California into the Pacific Northwest. Monsoon moisture continues over Arizona and New Mexico. A cold front will push through eastern Montana during the late afternoon and evening hours.

| Geographic Area Weather | High Temperatures | Minimum Relative Humidity | Wind |
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| EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA <br> Mostly sunny, dry, and warmer Idaho, Bridger-Teton and northern Utah. Partly cloudy southern Utah with a chance of thundershowers, mainly mountains. | Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 78 to 90 mountains, 90 to 101 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 80 to 90 higher elevations, 90 to103 valleys. | Idaho, Bridger-Teton: <br> 15 to $26 \%$ mountains, 12 <br> to $18 \%$ valleys. <br> Utah, Arizona Strip: <br> 12 to $24 \%$ mountains, 8 <br> to $20 \%$ valleys. | Light and variable 5 to 15 mph , except gusty near storms. |


| NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA <br> Patchy night and morning coastal fog and low clouds. Mostly sunny inland, except partly cloudy along and east of the Cascade/Sierra crest with isolated to scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms in the afternoon and evening. | 60s and 70s near the coast, and upper 80s to 112 inland. | 14 to 26\% inland areas. | Southwest to northwest 6 to 12 mph , gusts 22 to 24 mph during the afternoon east of the Sierra Cascade Crest. |
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| NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA <br> Mostly Sunny. Isolated thunderstorms south-central Montana. | West of the Divide: 85 to 105 <br> East of the Divide: <br> 80 to 95 | West of the Divide: <br> 10 to 20\%. <br> East of the Divide: 15 to 25\%. | West of the Divide: west 5 to 10 mph . East of the Divide: southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph . |
| NORTHWEST AREA <br> High pressure strengthening for mostly sunny, hotter and drier weather. Thunderstorms likely eastern Oregon. | Hot. Mostly 80s and 90s western Oregon and Washington. Mostly 90s to 100 in southwest Oregon and east of the Cascades. | Teens and single digits in southwest Oregon and east of Cascades. Mostly 15 to $30 \%$ in western Washington and northwest Oregon. | Generally less than 10 mph . Gusty near thunderstorms. |
| ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA <br> Sunny in the morning, scattered thunderstorms across southern Colorado, eastern plains and northern Wyoming. Isolated everywhere else. | Cool across southern Front Range upper 70s to low 80s. Elsewhere, low elevations 80's to mid 90s. Mountains 70s to 80s. | Western Colorado 15 to $25 \%$ lower elevations. Elsewhere 20 to $50 \%$. | Northwest wind 10-20mph for Kansas and variable at 5 to 15 mph elsewhere. |
| SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA <br> Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms over the mountains and deserts with a chance of showers and thunderstorms elsewhere. | 70 to 80 coastal areas. <br> 75 to 90 mountains. 80 to 100 valleys. 90 to 100 upper desert. 100 to 110 low desert. | 25 to $40 \%$ deserts. 30 to $45 \%$ mountains. 25 to $45 \%$ valleys. | Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph . |
| SOUTHWEST AREA <br> Partly cloudy. Widely scattered thunderstorms across Arizona, western and northern New Mexico and the Texas panhandle, with storms more numerous over the mountains. | 80s mountains and northeast New Mexico and Texas panhandle, 90s to near 105 lower elevations. | 10 to $20 \%$ lower elevations, 20 to 30\% higher terrain and northeast New Mexico and Texas panhandle. | Shifting to northeast 15 to 25 mph northeast New Mexico and Texas panhandle. Otherwise south to southeast 10 to 20 mph remainder of eastern New Mexico and west Texas, and variable to upslope 5 to 15 mph elsewhere. |
| WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA <br> Partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms across western $1 / 3$ of Nevada and isolated thunderstorms across the eastern 2/3 of the state. | 90s to low 100s valleys, 70 s to 80 s mountains, with a maximum of 103 in the southern deserts. | 12 to $22 \%$ at lower elevations, 18 to $38 \%$ in upper elevations. | 5 to 15 mph from the northwest to southeast, west at 10 mph along the Sierra Front. |

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## WILDLAND/URBAN INTERFACE WATCHOUTS

The primary consideration is to first assure firefighter and public safety. It is a must to assess potential fire behavior, ingress/egress routes, nature of the threat, hazardous materials, and available water supplies before engaging in the protection of any structures. The first step in conducting a safe operation is to assess whether the firefighting operations can be conducted safely.

- Consider the "Wildland/Urban Interface Watchouts" in completing a risk analysis for the urban interface area to be protected. Remember there are three categories of structures:
- Those that are not threatened.
- Those that are threatened.
- Those that have already been lost or too dangerous to protect.

Wildland/Urban Interface Watchouts:

- Poor access and narrow, one-way roads. A rapidly spreading fire could trap apparatus and personnel before they can turn around or move away from the flames and smoke.
- Observe bridge limits. Exceeding bridge limits could lead to bridge failure with a resultant blocking of ingress/egress routes that could result in the loss of an escape route or loss of equipment.
- Inadequate water supply. Without a reserve supply of water, the fire can overtake an area before the fuels can be cleared away.
- Natural fuels are located 30 feet or closer to structures on level ground. Remember structures on slopes require greater clearance. Structures are located on canyon slopes or "chimneys" on slopes of $30 \%$ or more with continuous, flashy fuels. The resulting rate of spread of any fire in this terrain can quickly extend beyond control.
- Extreme fire behavior: Situations involving crowning, large flame heights and erratic fire behavior can extend in an unpredictable manner beyond the control of any number of personnel. Strong winds of $25+$ MPH: Winds increase the chance of spotting over the heads of firefighters and trapping them between both fire areas. Winds also cause greater preheating of fuels in the path of a fire front.
- The need to evacuate the public, livestock, pets, and/or animals. This critical activity can pull personnel from the firefighting activity and can distract attention from fire behavior at a time when the greatest alertness is needed.
- Propane and above ground fuel tanks that are next to wooden structures or close to vegetation
- Power lines and poles: What is their location in relation to the structures that are being protected? Watch for both overhead and downed power lines.
- Local citizens are attempting suppression activities. Lack of knowledge in fire suppression may lead to unsafe tactics.
- Airtanker retardant drops and helicopter bucket operations: Establish communications and
keep fire personnel out of the drop zone.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES |  |  | 1 |  | 34 | 13 | 48 |
|  | ACRES |  |  | 2 |  | 74 | 2 | 78 |
| Northern California | FIRES |  | 2 |  |  | 28 | 28 | 58 |
|  | ACRES |  | 0 |  |  | 22 | 2 | 24 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  | 1 |  |  | 21 | 9 | 31 |
|  | ACRES |  | 0 |  |  | 40 | 0 | 40 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES |  | 1 |  | 0 | 7 | 19 | 27 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1 |  | 500 | 81 | 829 | 1,411 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  | 9 |  | 1 | 14 | 14 | 38 |
|  | ACRES |  | 206 |  | 0 | 19 | 48 | 273 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  | 4 |  |  |  | 5 | 9 |
|  | ACRES |  | 0 |  |  |  | 10 | 10 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 1 |  |  | 1 | 10 | 55 | 67 |
|  | ACRES | 1 |  |  | 0 | 10 | 123 | 134 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 3 | 20 |  | 2 | 1 | 20 | 46 |
|  | ACRES | 0 | 111 |  | 0 | 2 | 8,002 | 8,115 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 3 |  | 3 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 2 |  | 1 |  | 2 |  | 5 |
|  | ACRES | 41 |  | 500 |  | 1 |  | 542 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 6 | 37 | 2 | 4 | 120 | 163 | 332 |
|  | ACRES | 42 | 318 | 502 | 500 | 250 | 9,016 | 10,628 |

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
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| Alaska | FIRES | 1 | 14 | 20 | 10 | 346 | 9 | 400 |
|  | ACRES | 20 | 40,271 | 196,406 | 3,713 | 232,473 | 2 | 472,885 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 124 | 112 | 7 | 18 | 900 | 506 | 1,667 |
|  | ACRES | 15,464 | 2,035 | 4 | 12 | 40,070 | 109,655 | 167,240 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 96 | 113 | 7 | 5 | 1,335 | 435 | 1,991 |
|  | ACRES | 50 | 9,577 | 2 | 6,510 | 16,430 | 5,284 | 37,853 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 47 | 53 | 9 | 35 | 1,522 | 438 | 2,104 |
|  | ACRES | 853 | 2,195 | 357 | 160 | 28,092 | 3,906 | 35,563 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 686 | 33 | 23 | 15 | 402 | 420 | 1,579 |
|  | ACRES | 5,740 | 92,369 | 5,726 | 17,782 | 19,215 | 41,774 | 182,606 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 22 | 428 | 1 | 17 | 365 | 363 | 1,196 |
|  | ACRES | 15,511 | 78,500 | 100 | 8 | 33,291 | 55,848 | 183,258 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 5 | 279 | 1 | 7 | 89 | 99 | 480 |
|  | ACRES | 1 | 9,777 | 0 | 5 | 1,825 | 2,835 | 14,443 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 590 | 153 | 5 | 22 | 719 | 1,458 | 2,947 |
|  | ACRES | 35,137 | 5,667 | 284 | 3,530 | 12,982 | 201,958 | 259,558 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 81 | 492 | 37 | 28 | 677 | 331 | 1,646 |
|  | ACRES | 400 | 4,794 | 1,962 | 1,325 | 7,101 | 16,833 | 32,415 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 905 |  | 66 | 19 | 8,434 | 424 | 9,848 |
|  | ACRES | 52,186 |  | 6,890 | 685 | 108,127 | 5,520 | 173,408 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 125 |  | 21 | 11 | 10,724 | 321 | 11,202 |
|  | ACRES | 21,310 |  | 4,229 | 756 | 156,017 | 8,793 | 191,105 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 2,682 | 1,677 | 197 | 187 | 25,513 | 4,804 | 35,060 |
|  | ACRES | 146,672 | 245,185 | 215,960 | 34,486 | 655,623 | 452,408 | 1,750,334 |


| Ten Year Average Fires | 51,656 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Ten Year Average Acres | $2,195.077$ |

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## 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 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 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 |  |  |  |  | 6 |  | 6 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 1,555 |  | 1,555 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 28 | 92 | 146 | 3 |  | 217 | 486 |
|  | ACRES | 5,351 | 10,907 | 4,675 | 123 |  | 28,180 | 49,236 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 2 | 7 | 102 | 16 |  | 127 | 254 |
|  | ACRES | 31 | 267 | 16,201 | 2,193 |  | 9,712 | 28,404 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  | 2 | 3 | 5 |  | 89 | 99 |
|  | ACRES |  | 27 | 621 | 2,986 |  | 13,641 | 17,275 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 12 | 11 | 69 | 4 | 23 | 316 | 435 |
|  | ACRES | 502 | 3,808 | 9,264 | 760 | 1,750 | 15,035 | 31,119 |
| 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 |  | 2 |  | 1 | 4 |
|  | ACRES |  | 100 |  | 320 |  | 230 | 650 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 13 | 33 | 19 | 4 | 3 | 226 | 298 |
|  | ACRES | 3,333 | 26,871 | 39,373 | 4,877 | 12 | 43,128 | 117,594 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 26 | 14 | 88 | 9 | 10 | 74 | 221 |
|  | ACRES | 1,718 | 1,336 | 12,760 | 9,542 | 132 | 5,883 | 31,371 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 23 |  | 310 | 16 | 447 | 201 | 997 |
|  | ACRES | 10,562 |  | 56,064 | 1,823 | 78,505 | 26,889 | 173,843 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 53 |  | 270 | 68 | 13,166 | 1,168 | 14,725 |
|  | ACRES | 19,379 |  | 95,845 | 83,182 | 765,324 | 910,231 | 1,873,961 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 158 | 177 | 1,010 | 127 | 13,664 | 2,443 | 17,579 |
|  | ACRES | 40,894 | 47,107 | 235,103 | 105,806 | 848,188 | 1,059,129 | 2,336,227 |

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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 |  |  |  | 16 |  | 12 | 28 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 3 |  | 150 | 153 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES |  |  |  | 2 |  | 5 | 7 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 2 |  | 310 | 312 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  | 2 |  | 6 | 8 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 296 |  | 89 | 385 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  | 5 |  |  |  |  | 5 |
|  | ACRES |  | 2 |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| Southwest | FIRES |  |  |  | 3 |  | 13 | 16 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 3,500 |  | 159,326 | 162,826 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES |  | 15 |  | 2 |  | 3 | 20 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1,551 |  | 0 |  | 1,679 | 3,230 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  | 3 |  |  | 3 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 830 |  |  | 830 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 20 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 39 | 87 |
|  | ACRES | 0 | 1,553 | 0 | 4,631 | 0 | 161,554 | 167,738 |

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## CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

| PROVINCES | FIRES <br> YESTERDAY | HECTARES <br> YESTERDAY | FIRES <br> YEAR-TO-DATE | HECTARES <br> YEAR-TO-DATE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| British Columbia | 27 | 95 | 869 | 11,391 |
| Yukon Territory | 0 | 48 | 65 | 7,641 |
| Alberta | 4 | 2,305 | 697 | 8,127 |
| Northwest Territory | 4 | 7,402 | 110 | 25,252 |
| Saskatchewan | 2 | 1 | 382 | 41,485 |
| Manitoba | 22 | 187 | 872 | 352,684 |
| Ontario | 2 | 50 | 729 | 299,328 |
| Quebec | 0 | 0 | 545 | 50,680 |
| Newfoundland | 2 | 1 | 112 | 1,508 |
| New Brunswick | 6 | 1 | 168 | 181 |
| Nova Scotia | 0 | 12 | 223 | 1,281 |
| Prince Edward Island | 1 | 11 | 1,791 | 0 |

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

| AREA | CREWS FED | CREWS ST/OT | ENGS FED | ENGS ST/OT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HELI } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HELI } \\ & \text { ST/OT } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AIRT } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AIRT } \\ & \text { ST/OT } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OVRHD } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | OVRHD ST/OT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northwest | 21 | 67 | 16 | 131 | 5 | 17 | 3 |  | 574 | 499 |
| Northern California | 17 | 38 | 40 | 91 | 7 | 5 |  |  | 93 | 118 |
| Southern California | 32 | 63 | 47 | 126 | 17 | 6 |  |  | 69 | 236 |
| Northern Rockies | 60 | 50 | 33 | 153 | 16 | 25 | 2 |  | 597 | 637 |
| Eastern Great Basin | 23 | 43 | 46 | 34 | 19 | 15 |  |  | 244 | 110 |
| Western Great Basin | 3 |  | 15 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Southwest | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 36 | 11 |
| Rocky Mountain | 40 | 30 | 41 | 77 | 12 | 19 | 1 |  | 359 | 237 |
| Eastern Area |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |  |
| Southern Area | 1 |  |  | 9 |  | 2 |  |  | 2 | 2 |
| Total | 200 | 294 | 240 | 625 | 79 | 91 | 6 | 0 | 1979 | 1850 |

