INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2004 – 0530 MDT NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Alaska Area and light elsewhere. Nationally, 232 fires were reported. Four new large fires were reported, three in the Alaska Area and one in the Southwest Area. Three large fires were contained, two in the Southern California Area and one in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming.

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in alpine tundra and black spruce. Isolated torching and short runs with spotting were reported. Evacuation of Haystack Subdivision remains in effect.

CENTRAL COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gormley) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Middle Birch Creek, Preacher Creek, Rock Creek, Crazy and Tokoma Bluffs fires, is 15 miles southwest of Circle, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Backing fire with occasional torching and short runs were reported. Structure protection remains in place in the communities of Central and Circle Hot Springs.

TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kurth) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Big Creek, and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. Cloud cover and higher humidity continued to minimize fire behavior. Very little spread with occasional torching was reported.

CHICKEN, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Goheen) is assigned. This fire is 50 miles northeast of Tok, AK in timber, hardwoods and grass. Fire activity was minimal with some smoldering and creeping but no fire spread. The fire received heavy precipitation throughout the day. Structure protection remains in place for the communities of Chicken and Boundary.

WOLF CREEK, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 60 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and hardwoods. Fire behavior was moderate with creeping, smoldering and intermittent torching reported.

EVANSVILLE, Tanana Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is one-half mile southeast of Bettles, AK in black spruce. Minimal fire behavior was reported. Structure protection continues for the South Fork allotment.

EAGLE COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the American Summit, Edwards Creek, King Creek, Kandik River, Indian Grave Creek, Deer Creek and seven additional fires, is located three miles northeast of Eagle, AK in tundra, black spruce and mixed hardwoods.

The fire received significant precipitation which moderated fire behavior. Isolated patches of drier fuels burned with minimal torching.

PINGO, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is five miles north of the village of Venetie, AK in black spruce, hardwoods and tundra, and was previously reported under the Solstice Complex. Light precipitation limited fire behavior to smoldering and creeping.

CAMP CREEK, Delta Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 23 miles northwest of Delta Junction, AK in tundra and spruce. The fire continues to burn along the north side of the Goodpasture River. Smoldering and creeping with individual torching was reported. A cooler weather pattern allowed crews to make progress with line construction.

LOWER MOUTH, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is located 12 miles northwest of the village of Birch Creek, AK in white spruce, black spruce, birch and aspen. Structure protection for the village of Birch Creek remains in place.

YARGER, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles southwest of Northway, AK in black spruce. Creeping fire with isolated torching was reported.

WINTER TRAIL, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 20 miles north of Fort Yukon, AK in spruce, hardwoods and tundra, and was previously reported under the Solstice Complex. Fire behavior was moderate, with creeping and smoldering reported.

NENANA RIVER, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles southwest of Nenana, AK in spruce, hardwoods and tundra. Moderate fire behavior was reported.

AGGIE 2, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 27 miles northwest of Fox, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Low intensity fire with some single tree torching was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	485,600	20	UNK	840	22	21	6	15	10.3M
CENTRAL COMPLEX	AK	UYD	222,900	0	UNK	331	10	2	2	2	1.3M
TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX	AK	TAS	460,806	NR	8/3	289	7	10	4	2	1.9M
CHICKEN	AK	TAS	392,352	NR	UNK	154	3	5	1	4	1.3M
WOLF CREEK	AK	UYD	197,067	10	9/30	112	4	0	2	7	2.3M
EVANSVILLE	AK	TAD	64,287	10	UNK	74	4	0	2	0	1.4M
EAGLE COMPLEX	AK	UYD	614,974	NR	UNK	186	2	2	2	0	3.1M
PINGO	AK	UYD	285,875	5	UNK	129	6	0	2	1	NR
CAMP CREEK	AK	DAS	147,328	60	8/15	121	4	1	3	3	2.0M
LOWER MOUTH	AK	UYD	46,007	NR	UNK	13	0	0	1	1	NR
YARGER	AK	TAS	100	50	7/25	0	0	0	0	0	301K
WINTER TRAIL	AK	UYD	270,854	10	UNK	18	0	0	1	0	NR
NENANA RIVER	AK	FAS	150	NR	UNK	33	2	0	0	0	70K
AGGIE 2	AK	FAS	2,500	NR	UNK	74	4	2	0	0	42K

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

CROWN COMPLEX, Angeles National Forest. A Unified Command has been established between a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Cable) and the Los Angeles County Fire Department (Bryant). This complex, comprised of the Crown fire and the previously reported Foothill fire, is located three miles southeast of Acton, CA in heavy brush. The Crown fire

experienced erratic winds, low humidity and record low fuel moistures which caused short range spotting and hampered containment efforts. Evacuations have been lifted; road closures remain in effect. The Foothill fire experienced minimal fire behavior.

PELICAN, San Luis National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is 15 miles west of Modesto, CA in a mix of deciduous trees and tall grass. The fire continues to burn along the banks of the San Joaquin River, impacting riparian habitat.

MEADOW COMPLEX, Yosemite National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located four miles southeast of Yosemite Valley, CA in timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives and consists of the Meadow, Jay, River, and several other small fires. The Meadow Fire experienced active surface fire spread and isolated torching. Other fires in the complex reported smoldering and creeping with minimal fire spread.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CROWN COMPLEX	CA	ANF	14,958	66	UNK	2,582	68	292	15	3	5.4M
PELICAN	CA	LUR	1,500	85	7/22	45	2	4	0	0	NR
MEADOW COMPLEX – WFU	CA	YNP	4,308	N/A	11/1	182	3	0	3	0	1.1M
PINE	CA	LAC	17,418	100		82	1	5	1	15	14.0M
JALAMA	CA	SBC	307	100		313	3	23	1	0	NR

LAC = Los Angeles County Fire Department

SBC = Santa Barbara County Fire Department

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

ICICLE, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. This fire is eight miles west of Leavenworth, WA in timber, litter and understory. Continued torching and creeping into the Icicle Creek drainage was reported. Evacuation orders remain in effect.

POT PEAK COMPLEX, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 2 Washington State Interagency Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Pot Peak, Graham Harbor and Pyramid fires, is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber. Minimal fire activity was reported. Islands continue to burn within the fire perimeter.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ICICLE	WA	OWF	778	55	7/25	473	11	10	5	0	1.6M
POT PEAK COMPLEX	WA	OWF	11,850	68	UNK	297	4	11	5	0	9.9M

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SILVER BOW, Battle Mountain Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 25 miles east of Tonopah, NV in pinyon pine, juniper and sagebrush. Gusty afternoon winds caused the fire to make moderate runs in canyons.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG		STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SILVER BOW	NV	BMD	150	20	7/25	75	3	0	1	0	NR

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAGAZINE, Tonto National Forest. This fire is 10 miles north of Carefree, AZ in grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with low rates of spread and isolated individual torching was reported.

NUTTALL COMPLEX, Coronado National Forest. This complex, located 15 miles southwest of Safford, AZ in brush and heavy timber, consists of the Clark, Nuttall and Gibson fires. The fire continues to creep and smolder in the Ash Creek drainage. Spot fires became more active as a result of a drying trend. Fire closure orders remain in effect.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MAGAZINE	ΑZ	TNF	300	50	7/22	130	4	8	3	0	200K
NUTTALL COMPLEX	ΑZ	CNF	29,400	98	7/25	33	1	0	1	1	10.3M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PAYHAYOKEE NORTH - WFU	FL	EVP	3,007	100		0	0	0	0	0	14K

EVP = Everglades National Park

Weather Discussion: A much drier air mass will continue to dominate western weather today, decreasing thunderstorm activity and lowering humidity values. The exception will continue to be across the Rocky Mountain Area, New Mexico and northern Utah where residual moisture will lead to isolated thunderstorms. In Alaska, scattered thunderstorms will be a threat once again as low pressure south of the Kenai Peninsula rotates moisture into east-central sections of the state.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
ALASKA Central and Eastern Interior: Partly to mostly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms or showers.	Central and Eastern Interior: 70 to 82.	Central and Eastern Interior: 30 to 45%.	Central and Eastern Interior: Southwest to 15 mph.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise sunny.	75 to 85 coastal areas. 80 to 95 mountains. 90 to 105 valleys. 95 to 105 upper deserts. 100 to 112 lower deserts.	15 to 30% valleys. 10 to 25% mountains. 10 to 20% deserts.	Southwest to northwest 8 to 15 mph.
EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly sunny and dry with light winds. Utah, Arizona Strip: Partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms, mainly in the mountains.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 68 to 82 mountains. 82 to 93 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 75 to 91 mountains. 92 to 108 valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 22 to 37% mountains. 17 to 28% valleys. Utah, Arizona Strip: 15 to 29% mountains. 6 to 22% valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: West or upslope 5 to 12 mph. Utah, Arizona Strip: Upslope 5 to 10 mph.
NORTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny. Isolated thundershowers possible over southeast Oregon.	West of the Cascades: 70s to lower 80s western Washington. Near 100 in southwest Oregon. East of the Cascades: 80s to mid 90s warmest valleys.	West of Cascades: 25 to 35% north. 15 to 20% southwest Oregon. East of Cascades: Generally 15 to 20%. Poor overnight recoveries.	Mostly north to northeast 6 to 12 mph. North 20 to 25 mph coastal sections of southwestern Oregon.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Scattered showers and afternoon thunderstorms across eastern portions. Isolated to widely scattered afternoon thunderstorms west.	Mid 70s to lower 90s. 60s and 70's mountains.	15% to 20% over southwest Wyoming and western Colorado.	Easterly 10 to 20 mph in the east. Variable 5 to 15 mph in the west.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Clear except for night and morning coastal fog and low clouds.	60s and 70s coast. 80s to 107 inland.	8 to 18% inland areas.	Southwest to northwest 4 to 10 mph with higher gusts.
Partly cloudy. Much drier northern and western Arizona. Isolated thunderstorms eastern Arizona and west Texas with scattered storms New Mexico and southeast Arizona.	Upper 60s to 80s mountains. 90s lower elevations. 100 to 110 southern Arizona deserts.	10 to 20% Arizona and northwest New Mexico. 20 to 40% southern and eastern New Mexico and west Texas.	West to northwest 5 to 15 mph Arizona and western New Mexico. South-southeast 10 to 20 mph eastern New Mexico and west Texaco.
WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Isolated to scattered thunderstorms north. Some thunderstorms may be dry. Sunny south.	North Valleys: 90 to 103. South Valleys: 95 to 107. Mountains: 75 to 92.	South: 5 to 15%. North: 10 to 20%. Mountains: 15 to 28%.	North: Southwest to west at 10 mph with gusts to 20 mph. Elsewhere: South southwest at 5 to 15 mph localized gusts to 30 mph.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA Partly cloudy with isolated afternoon thunderstorms along the Continental Divide in Montana and in central Idaho.	West: 85 to 95. East: 70s to mid 80s. 65 to 75 mountains.	15 to 25% West of the Continental Divide. 40 to 50% in North Dakota.	West of the Continental Divide: Northeast 5 to 15 mph. East of the Continental Divide: Northwest 5 to 15 mph.
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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		2	0	1	6		9
Aldona	ACRES		1,088	109,871	4	5,908		116,871
Northwest	FIRES	3	0			13	5	21
	ACRES	10	2			24	30	66
Northern California	FIRES	4				23	4	31
	ACRES	3				2	4	9
Southern California	FIRES			0		17	3	20
	ACRES			550		2	6	
Northern Rockies	FIRES	6					2	8
	ACRES	2					0	
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	9			3	3	16
	ACRES	0	25			433	2	460
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4			1		5
	ACRES		153			0		153
Southwest	FIRES	59	5			2	9	75
	ACRES	22	211			1	402	636
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	4	4			16	9	33
•	ACRES	2	1			4	1	_
Eastern Area	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES	1				8	1	10
	ACRES	140				37	0	177
TOTAL	FIRES	78	24	0	1	93	36	232
	ACRES	179	1,480	110,421	4	6,412	445	118,941

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES	5	52	60	20	331	8	476
Alaska	ACRES	6,065	1,001,239	734,958	29,386	2,035,963	1	3,807,612
	FIRES	237	121	23	23	929		
Northwest	ACRES	6,111	1,988	133	17	6,690	12,711	27,650
	FIRES	72	28			1,572	587	2,287
Northern California	ACRES	78	417	17		5,898	1,804	8,216
	FIRES	34	63			1,870		
Southern California		-						
	ACRES	667	4,502	1,796		54,941	5,609	67,542
Northern Rockies	FIRES	819	35	18	12	489	314	1,687
Northern Nockies	ACRES	4,249	1,344	1,061	3	9,840	3,438	19,935
Factors Onest Desire	FIRES	19	378	6	25	255	310	993
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	60	25,684	11	33	4,212	2,156	32,156
	FIRES	7	332	2	5	44	65	455
Western Great Basin	ACRES	152	15,155	1,056	0	6,027	4,268	26,658
	FIRES	715	101	2		569	986	
Southwest	ACRES	7,528	4,852	1	511	6,374	277,237	296,503
	FIRES	205	274			299	268	1,098
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	3,624	3,650	1,168	9	20,389	4,274	33,114
	FIRES	489	-	47	28	6,111	412	
Eastern Area	ACRES	5,094		2,335	109	54,166	5,544	67,248
	FIRES	124		49		22,637	5,544	23,409
Southern Area		124		43	42			25,409
	ACRES	15,773		4,750	1,067	288,817	73,172	383,579
TOTAL	FIRES	2,726	1,384	265	282	35,106	4,355	44,118
IOIAL	ACRES	49,401	1,058,831	747,286	31,164	2,493,317	390,214	4,770,213

Ten Year Average Fires	49,822
Ten Year Average Acres	2,048,511

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
A11	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES					 		0
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES							0
Northorn Doolsing	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
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Southwest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Factoria Area	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
Courth area Area	FIRES						2	2 2
Southern Area	ACRES						820	820
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TOTAL	ACRES	C				0	820	820

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
Alaska	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	43	1		255	415
Northwest	ACRES	7,626	6,823	3,781	30		58,229	76,489
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	12	17		183	265
	ACRES	251	731	13,570	2,690		22,617	39,859
Southern California	FIRES		4	10	10		76	100
	ACRES		28	922	718		6,213	7,881
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	356	523
TTOTALION TYOUNGS	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,419	63,549
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	20	3	3	17	48	92
Lasterri Great Dasiri	ACRES	149	3,468	547	1,102	1,490	16,754	23,510
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	5			5	14
	ACRES		80	541			971	1,592
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	7	10		278	322
	ACRES	2,796	4,821	12,769	7,777		66,152	94,315
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	39	137	18	12	113	361
	ACRES	5,117	11,851	21,434	12,964	3,947	45,672	100,985
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		351	23	612	179	1,185
	ACRES	14,454		39,938	4,443	59,439	27,876	146,150
Southern Area	FIRES	51		139	70	393	1,092	1,745
	ACRES	8,503		58,470	60,352	212,745	987,183	1,327,253
TOTAL	FIRES	217	205	781	155	1,084	2,585	5,027
	ACRES	40,781	30,433	164,474	91,122	282,784	1,274,086	1,883,680

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				58,221			58,221
Northwest	FIRES				2		6	8
Northwest	ACRES				1		156	157
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
Trontinom Gamornia	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				5		2	7
	ACRES				4,251		222	4,473
Northern Rockies	FIRES				6		27	33
	ACRES				0		13	13
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						8	8
Ladiom Groat Baom	ACRES						5	5
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4		2			6
Trootom Groat Baom	ACRES		342		0			342
Southwest	FIRES				4		12	16
	ACRES				110		7,295	7,405
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		16			0	4	20
. roonly mountain	ACRES		6,716			2,271	612	9,599
Eastern Area	FIRES				1		1	2
Lastem Area	ACRES				55		1	56
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	C	20	C	23	0	63	106
	ACRES	C	7,058	C	65,645	2,271	8,304	83,278

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	22	0	1,307	146,656
Yukon Territory	2	4,800	208	1,266,575
Alberta	7	446	1,342	16,452
Northwest Territory	9	6,293	188	72,629
Saskatchewan	0	0	224	59,356
Manitoba	0	313	166	3,418
Ontario	4	2	218	1,417
Quebec	1	265	214	1,901
Newfoundland	1	40	112	8,375
New Brunswick	1	0	216	280
Nova Scotia	2	7	210	225
Prince Edward Island	2	2	18	15
National Parks	0	0	66	100,375
Total	51	12,168	4,489	1,677,675

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	l	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	49	21	9	34	14	12			512	365
Northwest	17	5	8	31	15	4			231	160
Northern California	7		22		1					
Southern California	54	45	98	263	17	9	2		173	254
Northern Rockies		1	6							
Eastern Great Basin	22	6	6	2	9	1			172	11
Western Great Basin	12	6	7	12	1	2			141	73
Southwest	10		8	2	4	1			14	8
Rocky Mountain	1		17	2	1				7	4
Eastern Area									4	
Southern Area	1		20	40					1	4
Total	173	84	201	386	62	29	2	0	1255	879