# INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT <br> TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2005 - 0530 MDT <br> NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3 

## CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate nationally with 237 fires reported. Eleven new large fires were reported, four in the Northwest Area, three in the Western Great Basin Area and one each in the Northern California, Southern California, Southwest and Southern Areas. Four large fires were contained, two in the Northwest Area and one each in the Western Great Basin and Southern California Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

## NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

CLEAR RED COMPLEX, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Upper Meadow, Meadow II, and several smaller fires is 12 miles southeast of Elk City, ID in timber. Private residences, commercial property, cultural and historic sites remain threatened. Steep terrain and lack of road access are hampering containment efforts. Occasional torching, creeping ground fire and smoldering were observed.

CHINA TEN, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Thomas) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles east of Grangeville, ID in beetle killed lodgepole pine and subalpine fir. The fire is adjacent to a significant Native American cultural area, and is threatening a historical fire lookout. Isolated torching was observed. Area closure remains in effect.

PROSPECT, Lolo National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This fire is 12 miles south of Superior, MT in timber. Poor access, steep terrain, and heavy fuels continue to hinder containment efforts. Isolated group torching, short uphill crown runs, creeping and smoldering in pockets of heavier fuels were observed.

SELWAY-SALMON COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) complex, comprised of the El Capitan, Wapiti, Beaverjack, Elk Lake and numerous other fires, is 26 miles southwest of Hamilton, MT in timber. This complex, burning on both the Salmon-Challis and Bitterroot National Forests, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Deep Creek Campground, Hells Half Acre Lookout, Coopers Flat Ranger Station, Magruder Work Center, Spot Mountain Lookout, and Paradise Cabin remain potentially threatened. Structure protection is in place. Magruder Corridor Road is closed to through traffic. Recreation trail closures are in effect. Creeping, backing and active surface fire with intermittent torching were observed. Light precipitation was received.

SIGNAL ROCK, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Benes) is assigned. The fire is 17 miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT in timber, burning on both the Bitterroot and Beaverhead/Deerlodge National Forests. Warmer temperatures and significant spotting are hampering containment efforts. Active surface fire, group torching and spotting were observed. Numerous spot fires were contained.

CEDAR, Clearwater National Forest. This fire is 18 miles northwest of Kooskia, ID in timber. Structure protection is in place. Smoldering and isolated torching were observed. The fire is in monitor status.

DEVIL, Clearwater National Forest. This fire is 13 miles west of Lochsa, ID in timber and brush. Steep terrain is impeding containment efforts. Cultural resources are threatened. The fire continues to smolder and is in patrol status.

LONG BLACK COMPLEX, Clearwater National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Long Creek and Black Canyon fires, is 38 miles northeast of Pierce, ID in timber. Steep terrain, numerous snags and limited access continue to hamper containment efforts. Isolated torching was observed in the interior while the perimeter remains active.

ROCKIN, Bitterroot National Forest. A transfer of command from a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Benes) to the local unit has occurred. This fire is 10 miles northwest of Darby, MT in timber. Narrow canyons, steep and rocky terrain continue to hamper containment efforts. Higher temperatures, lower humidity and windy conditions increased fire activity. Active surface fire in unburned islands and single tree torching were observed.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| CLEAR RED <br> COMPLEX | ID | NPF | 4,101 | 95 | $8 / 23$ | 635 | 19 | 6 | 6 | 0 | $2.8 M$ | FS |
| CHINA TEN | ID | NPF | 1,859 | 95 | $8 / 24$ | 562 | 17 | 8 | 6 | 0 | $3.7 M$ | FS |
| PROSPECT | MT | LNF | 3,210 | 50 | $8 / 30$ | 493 | 12 | 12 | 5 | 0 | $4.6 M$ | FS |
| SELWAY-SALMON <br> COMPLEX - WFU | MT | BRF | 6,968 | N/A | N/A | 55 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $346 K$ | FS |
| SIGNAL ROCK | MT | BRF | 1,888 | 10 | UNK | 224 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 800 K | FS |
| CEDAR | ID | CWF | 195 | 95 | $8 / 25$ | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 280 K | FS |
| DEVIL | ID | CWF | 147 | 90 | $8 / 23$ | 19 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $245 K$ | FS |
| LONG BLACK <br> COMPLEX | ID | CWF | 882 | 25 | UNK | 51 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 | $1.6 M$ | FS |
| ROCKIN | MT | BRF | 3,894 | 68 | UNK | 28 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $1 M$ | FS |
| BURNT - WFU | ID | NPF | 530 | N/A | N/A | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $2 K$ | FS |

## NORTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

BLOSSOM COMPLEX, Siskiyou National Forest. A Unified Command has been established between a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) and an Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Hunt). This complex, comprised of the Blossom, Huggins and Solitude fires, is 25 miles northeast of Gold Beach, OR in timber. Private structures, commercial rafting sites, and wildlife habitat along the Rogue River remain threatened. Access to the Rogue River is scheduled to reopen today, and all evacuation orders will be lifted. Inaccessible terrain and heavy fuel loading are impeding containment efforts. Fire behavior is low to moderate. Increase in acreage is due to the completion of burn out operations.

BURNT CABIN, Umatilla National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This fire is 16 miles southeast of Milton-Freewater, OR in timber. Residences, commercial properties, and a water source for Walla Walla, WA remain threatened. Fire activity decreased slightly, with most activity confined to surface fire and isolated torching.

GRANITE COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. A Wildland Fire Use Team (Cones) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is 30 miles east of Enterprise, OR in timber and grass. Structure protection remains in place for the historic Sheep Creek Ranch Cabin and other structures. An area closure is being implemented. Backing and creeping fire with single tree torching was observed.

WILLS CANYON, Central Oregon District, Oregon Department of Forestry. This lightning caused fire is nine miles southwest of Spray, OR in brush. The fire is burning actively on mid-slopes and in steep draws. No further information was received.

LITTLE BRIDGE CREEK, Burns District, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 12 miles east of Frenchglen, OR in grass and brush. Wildlife habitat is threatened. Running fire behavior with torching and spotting was observed.

SAGEHEN, Lakeview District, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is seven miles northeast of Lakeview, OR in grass and sagebrush. Wildlife habitat is threatened. Rapid uphill runs were reported.

FLOOK LAKE, Sheldon-Hart Mountain National Wildlife Refuge Complex. This fire is 46 miles northeast of Lakeview, OR in grass and sagebrush. No new information was reported.

CAVE, Deschutes National Forest. This fire is 12 miles southeast of Bend, OR in tall grass and hardwood litter. Smoldering fire behavior was observed.

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| BLOSSOM COMPLEX | OR | SIF | 14,841 | 90 | $8 / 23$ | 1,580 | 50 | 37 | 10 | 0 | 24.9 M | FS |
| BURNT CABIN | OR | UMF | 1,977 | 80 | UNK | 619 | 17 | 18 | 9 | 0 | $4.2 M$ | FS |
| GRANITE COMPLEX <br> WFU | OR | WWF | 17,377 | N/A | N/A | 42 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 414 K | FS |
| WILLS CANYON | OR | $95 S$ | 1,700 | 0 | UNK | 135 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 0 | NR | ST |
| LITTLE BRIDGE <br> CREEK | OR | BUD | 1,000 | 0 | UNK | 27 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | $42 K$ | BLM |
| SAGEHEN | OR | LAD | 700 | 50 | UNK | 41 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | NR | BLM |
| FLOOK LAKE | OR | SHR | 350 | 90 | UNK | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | FWS |
| CAVE | OR | DEF | 852 | 95 | $8 / 24$ | 25 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | $100 K$ | FS |
| MULES EAR | OR | VAD | 1,500 | 100 | --- | 33 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | NR | BLM |
| BONE BREAKER | OR | BUD | 300 | 100 | --- | 26 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | $29 K$ | BUD |

VAD - Vale District, Bureau of Land Management

## ALASKA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

COLEEN MOUNTAIN, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 40 miles northeast of Chalkyitsik, AK in black spruce, hardwoods and grasses. Native allotments and cabins at the historic John Herberts Village, Fishhook Bend and Canyon Village are threatened. Structure protection measures are in place. Allotment protection measures are continuing. Primary transportation of personnel and equipment is via boat. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching were reported.

BEAVER CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 45 miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce. One residence remains threatened. Smoke continues to hamper aerial reconnaissance and suppression efforts. Smoldering and creeping fire behavior were observed.

BOUNDARY CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire started on Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act land six miles southeast of Eagle, AK in black spruce and hardwood litter. Heavy smoke continues to obscure visibility and limit aerial support. Road hazard mitigation is continuing along Taylor Highway. No further information was received.

RAY RIVER, Alaska Fire Service, Tanana Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 35 miles northwest of Livengood, AK in black spruce and feather moss. Commercial property and native allotments remain threatened. Running fire behavior was observed on the northern end of the fire, with creeping and smoldering elsewhere.

GRAYLING CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Galena Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Anvik, AK in timber. The incident reported smoldering and creeping fire behavior with minimal spread.

SQUIRREL CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 25 miles east of Ft. Yukon, AK in timber and grass. Native allotments and a cabin are threatened. Structure protection measures are in place. This fire is in monitor status.

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| COLEEN MOUNTAIN | AK | UYD | 65,261 | 0 | UNK | 30 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | FWS |
| BEAVER CREEK | AK | UYD | 155,794 | 0 | UNK | 35 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | NR | BLM |
| BOUNDARY CREEK | AK | UYD | 106,000 | 13 | UNK | 29 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | $5.1 M$ | NCA |
| RAY RIVER | AK | TAD | 71,549 | NR | UNK | 23 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | BLM |
| GRAYLING CREEK | AK | GAD | 44,970 | 10 | $9 / 1$ | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | NR | BLM |
| SQUIRREL CREEK | AK | UYD | 13,277 | NR | UNK | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | FWS |

## WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

SHERMAN, Elko Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 15 miles north of Elko, NV in grass and sagebrush. Steep terrain and limited access are hampering containment efforts. Structure protection measures have been initiated. Erratic winds and extreme fire behavior were observed.

VOR-MCCARTY, Nevada Division of Forestry - Northern Region. This fire is seven miles south of Elko, NV in juniper, sage and grass. Structures and historical sites are threatened, and protection measures are being implemented. Low relative humidity and erratic winds are hampering containment efforts.

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| SHERMAN | NV | EKD | 3,000 | 30 | $8 / 25$ | 82 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | NR | BLM |
| VOR-MCCARTY | NV | NNS | 400 | 40 | $8 / 25$ | 99 | 2 | 10 | 1 | 0 | NR | ST |
| OMEGA | NV | EKD | 2,700 | 100 | -- | 37 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | NR | BLM |

## EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

FRANK CHURCH, Payette National Forest. A Wildland Fire Use Management Team (Hahnenberg) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, comprised of the Bear Creek, Root Creek, West Fork/Joe, Missouri Ridge and several other fires is 50 miles northeast of McCall, ID in timber. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Residences and commercial property are threatened, structure protection remains in place. Significant fire activity was observed on several fires. Torching, crowning and spotting were observed.

FIVE SPRING, Northwest State, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire \& State Lands. This fire is 20 miles northwest of Evanston, WY in brush and slash. Extreme fire behavior was observed with rapid rates of spread and spotting. Thunderstorm cells produced gusty, erratic winds.

STODDARD CREEK POINT, Salmon-Challis National Forest. This previously reported lightningcaused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is 35 miles west of Salmon, ID in timber. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | $\%$ <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| FRANK CHURCH - <br> WFU | ID | PAF | 6,346 | N/A | N/A | 92 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | $883 K$ | FS |
| FIVE SPRING | UT | NWS | 700 | 60 | $8 / 23$ | 18 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 K | ST |
| STODDARD CREEK <br> POINT - WFU | ID | SCF | 1,800 | N/A | N/A | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $3 K$ | FS |

## SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

HENDERSON, Tonto National Forest. This fire is five miles southeast of Roosevelt, AZ in brush and pinyon-juniper. Cloud cover and higher relative humidity limited fire growth. Occasional single tree torching was observed. The fire will be in monitor status.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| HENDERSON | AZ | TNF | 800 | 0 | $9 / 1$ | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | FS |

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

BARREL, Northern California Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 13 miles northeast of Fort Bidwell, CA in brush and timber. Long range spotting and rapid rates of spread were observed.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| BARREL | CA | NOD | 600 | 10 | $8 / 25$ | 78 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | NR | BLM |

## SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

SISAL, Everglades National Park. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is 29 miles west of Homestead, FL burning in grass and timber. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Smoldering fire behavior was observed. This will be the last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

BLUM, Texas Forest Service. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Hillsboro, TX burning in brush, cedar, and mesquite. Private residences are threatened. Creeping and torching were observed.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| SISAL - WFU | FL | EVP | 1,631 | 85 | $8 / 23$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $4 K$ | NPS |
| BLUM | TX | TXS | 500 | 20 | $8 / 23$ | 51 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | \% <br> CTN | EST <br> CTN | TOTL <br> PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC <br> LOST | \$\$\$ <br> CTD | ORIGIN <br> OWN |
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| 33 | CA | MMU | 400 | 100 | --- | 48 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 0 | NR | PVT |

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## OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warning: For strong south winds through the Alaska Range.
Weather Discussion: A cold front will continue to make its way through the Rockies today with cooler temperatures and breezy conditions to follow. Expect wet thunderstorms today over northern Idaho and mainly northwestern portions of Montana, as well as Colorado and New Mexico. A mix of wet and dry thunderstorms is still possible over portions of Idaho and Wyoming. Breezy conditions behind the front will impact Oregon east of the Cascades through Idaho and into Montana. Low afternoon relative humidity may accompany the winds in Oregon and western Idaho. A weather system will move into western portions of Alaska today with cooler temperatures and showers.

| Geographic Area Weather | High <br> Temperatures | Minimum Relative Humidity | Wind |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Northern Rockies <br> Strong cold front and associated upper level trough will move across the geographic area. Expect cloudy skies and thunderstorms with locally gusty winds. Temperatures will fall 10 to 15 degrees behind the front. | West of Divide: 70 to 75 . East of Divide: 85 to 90. North Dakota: 75 to 85. | West of Divide: 30 to 40\%. <br> East of Divide: 25 to 35\%. <br> North Dakota: 35 to 45\%. | West of Divide: West 10 to 20 mph with locally higher gusts possible. <br> East of Divide: South 5 to 15 mph . <br> North Dakota: South 10 to 20 mph . |
| Northwest <br> Partly cloudy west side. <br> Showers and few wet thundershowers over northern Washington. Sunny and dry and windy southeastern Oregon. | Cooler. Highs west side 60s Washington to 80s southern Oregon. East side highs 70s Washington to 80s southeastern Oregon. | West of Cascades: 75\% north to $25 \%$ interior Oregon. <br> Eastside: Mostly 15 to $30 \%$ with driest in southeastern Oregon. | West of Cascades: <br> Northwest to north 10 to 20 mph. <br> Eastside: Northwest up to 20 mph with gusts above 40 mph higher terrain southeastern Oregon. |
| Northern California Sunny inland and low clouds and fog near the coast. | 90s to near 100 inland valleys, 80s mountains and 60s coast. | 7 to $15 \%$ east of the Cascade-Sierra crest and 12 to $25 \%$ elsewhere inland. | West to north 5 to 10 mph with gusts to 22 mph East side and coastal areas. Northwest to northeast 4 to 8 mph with gusts to 17 mph elsewhere. |
| Southern California Morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny. | 70 to 85 mountains. 85 to 95 valleys. 85 to 95 upper deserts. 100 to 110 lower deserts. | 10 to $25 \%$. | Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph . |
| Rocky Mountain Isolated to scattered thunderstorms, with isolated dry lightning central Wyoming. | Mid to upper 80s, with 70s in the mountains. | $25 \%$ to $35 \%$ in most locations, except $15 \%$ to $20 \%$ over central Wyoming and portions of western Colorado. | South 12 to 25 mph in the east, and west 10 to 20 mph in the west. |
| Alaska <br> Mostly cloudy with rain in the west half of Alaska. | 50s and low 60s. | Above 40\% except 35\% on the north side of the Alaska Range. | East to southeast 10 to 15 mph except south with gusts to 30 mph along the Alaska Range. |


| Eastern Great Basin |  |  |  |
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| Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Partly | Idaho, Bridger-Teton: | Idaho, Bridger-Teton: | Idaho, Bridger-Teton: |
| cloudy with isolated afternoon | 65 to 80 mountains, | 20 to $38 \%$ mountains, | West 10 to 15 mph, gusting |
| mountain thunderstorms. | 78 to 90 valleys. | 12 to $20 \%$ valleys. | to 30 mph. |
| Northern Utah: Partly cloudy. | Northern Utah: | Northern Utah: | Northern Utah: |
| Isolated thunderstorms | 73 to 83 mountains, | 20 to $30 \%$ mountains, | Southwest 10 to 15 mph, |
| statewide, more scattered | 83 to 93 valleys. | 10 to $20 \%$ valleys. | gusting to 30 mph western |
| central Utah mountains. | Southern Utah, Arizona | Southern Utah, Arizona | portions. |
|  | Strip: | Strip: | Southern Utah, AZ Strip: |
|  | 72 to 83 mountains, | 14 to $30 \%$ mountains, | Southwest 10 to 20 mph, |
|  | 85 to 101 valleys except | 9 to $20 \%$ valleys. | gusting to 30 mph. |
|  | 100 to 105 Lake Mead |  |  |
|  | area. |  |  |

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## ATTEMPTING A FRONTAL ASSAULT ON A FIRE

Attempting a frontal assault on a fire is recognized as Watchout Situation \#10 and is a potentially dangerous tactic.

- If your tactics include a frontal assault, the following checklist must be adequately addressed before engaging the fire:
- Has the fire been scouted and sized up? Who will scout and size up a fire and what are they looking for?
- Is your position defensible? List what makes a firefighter's position defensible. (Anchor points, safety zones, escape routes, etc.)
- Are escape routes and safety zones adequate? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route.
- Do you have an anchor point? How would you establish an anchor point for a frontal assault on a fire?
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- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assault? Discuss things you need to consider; for example, if the frontal assault fails, do you have backup?
- Are you informed on strategy, tactics, and hazards? Consider what could happen if someone has a different approach than you; i.e., the IC has a burnout operation planned while you are attempting frontal assault.
- Is the terrain favorable to holding the fire? Discuss ways the terrain will influence where you will make a stand.

In order to reduce the risks, reassess your tactics, post lookouts, identify situations in which firefighters may be enticed to attempt frontal assault on a fire. Review why this may or may not be a good idea.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |  | 4 |
|  | ACRES |  | 10,267 | 47,057 | 50 | 832 |  | 58,206 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 5 | 20 | 2 |  | 8 | 19 | 54 |
|  | ACRES | 30 | 2,858 | 12 |  | 1,524 | 85 | 4,509 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 4 |  |  | 1 | 20 | 2 | 27 |
|  | ACRES | 3 |  |  | 0 | 146 | 1 | 150 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 21 | 4 | 25 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 19 | 3 | 22 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 2 | 1 |  |  | 4 | 8 | 15 |
|  | ACRES | 5 | 1 |  |  | 5 | 213 | 224 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 5 |  |  | 7 | 8 | 21 |
|  | ACRES | 85 | 273 |  |  | 405 | 17 | 780 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 10 |  |  | 10 |  | 21 |
|  | ACRES | 1 | 3,554 |  |  | 132 |  | 3,687 |
| Southwest | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 3 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  | 802 | 802 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 1 | 3 |  |  | 2 | 3 | 9 |
|  | ACRES | 5 | 0 |  |  | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 3 |  | 3 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 54 | 1 | 55 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 952 | 80 | 1,032 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 14 | 39 | 2 | 2 | 132 | 48 | 237 |
|  | ACRES | 129 | 16,953 | 47,069 | 50 | 4,017 | 1,202 | 69,420 |

## FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
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| Alaska | FIRES | 4 | 96 | 59 | 18 | 383 | 21 | 581 |
|  | ACRES | 4 | 1,537,041 | 1,081,226 | 3,484 | 669,538 | 336 | 3,291,629 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 157 | 192 | 21 | 21 | 665 | 675 | 1,731 |
|  | ACRES | 27,941 | 43,960 | 5,383 | 121 | 56,166 | 81,755 | 215,326 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 100 | 12 | 8 | 12 | 1,316 | 298 | 1,746 |
|  | ACRES | 158 | 9 | 9 | 100 | 19,102 | 2,082 | 21,460 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 31 | 97 | 10 | 41 | 1,815 | 486 | 2,480 |
|  | ACRES | 951 | 5,259 | 131 | 73,733 | 28,201 | 2,888 | 111,163 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 438 | 38 | 28 | 13 | 514 | 484 | 1,515 |
|  | ACRES | 11,077 | 2,159 | 3,257 | 25 | 21,593 | 33,355 | 71,466 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 31 | 539 | 4 | 29 | 500 | 404 | 1,507 |
|  | ACRES | 2,663 | 640,338 | 22 | 625 | 103,216 | 54,230 | 801,094 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 5 | 429 | 19 | 24 | 79 | 104 | 660 |
|  | ACRES | 27 | 980,122 | 13,312 | 258 | 99,964 | 8,755 | 1,102,438 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 1,489 | 327 | 24 | 51 | 1,249 | 1,364 | 4,504 |
|  | ACRES | 33,653 | 158,554 | 9,573 | 364 | 129,436 | 415,430 | 747,010 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 258 | 383 | 30 | 20 | 452 | 402 | 1,545 |
|  | ACRES | 3,003 | 5,576 | 553 | 25 | 19,750 | 22,407 | 51,314 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 595 |  | 36 | 50 | 9,080 | 500 | 10,261 |
|  | ACRES | 7,114 |  | 1,732 | 953 | 66,381 | 8,163 | 84,343 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 211 |  | 172 | 37 | 16,352 | 461 | 17,233 |
|  | ACRES | 26,882 |  | 31,381 | 2,474 | 216,996 | 11,469 | 289,202 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 3,319 | 2,113 | 411 | 316 | 32,405 | 5,199 | 43,763 |
|  | ACRES | 113,473 | 3,373,018 | 1,146,579 | 82,162 | 1,430,343 | 640,870 | 6,786,445 |


| Ten Year Average Fires | $\mathbf{6 0 , 3 8 1}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Ten Year Average Acres | $3,776,944$ |

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:


PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 4 |  | 4 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 626 |  | 626 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 18 | 94 | 79 | 2 |  | 209 | 402 |
|  | ACRES | 5,651 | 12,408 | 3,831 | 249 |  | 17,973 | 40,112 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 12 | 21 | 138 | 24 |  | 168 | 363 |
|  | ACRES | 188 | 1,101 | 24,845 | 2,690 |  | 18,438 | 47,262 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 1 | 5 | 5 | 13 |  | 79 | 103 |
|  | ACRES | 1,000 | 282 | 408 | 2,726 |  | 6,819 | 11,235 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 6 | 28 | 96 | 3 | 31 | 241 | 405 |
|  | ACRES | 275 | 3,244 | 19,497 | 22 | 2,131 | 22,304 | 47,473 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 19 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 42 | 79 |
|  | ACRES | 1 | 6,062 | 711 | 21 | 128 | 10,267 | 17,190 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  | 12 | 10 |  |  | 2 | 24 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1,776 | 2,711 |  |  | 2,903 | 7,390 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 7 | 45 | 2 | 10 |  | 244 | 308 |
|  | ACRES | 2,342 | 41,105 | 3,210 | 15,014 |  | 65,177 | 126,848 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 29 | 41 | 101 | 16 | 21 | 100 | 308 |
|  | ACRES | 3,709 | 10,174 | 20,315 | 10,342 | 2,526 | 28,635 | 75,701 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 40 |  | 459 | 36 | 1,079 | 136 | 1,750 |
|  | ACRES | 17,579 |  | 67,662 | 4,423 | 68,986 | 25,540 | 184,190 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 34 |  | 152 | 58 | 404 | 1,106 | 1,754 |
|  | ACRES | 7,180 |  | 81,165 | 54,868 | 270,630 | 900,371 | 1,314,214 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 148 | 265 | 1,046 | 165 | 1,549 | 2,327 | 5,500 |
|  | ACRES | 37,925 | 76,152 | 224,355 | 90,355 | 345,027 | 1,098,427 | 1,872,241 |

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  | 2 | 11 |  |  | 13 |
|  | ACRES |  |  | 27,225 | 138,283 |  |  | 165,508 |
| Northwest | FIRES |  |  |  | 1 |  | 0 | 1 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 2 |  | 15,078 | 15,080 |
| Northern California | FIRES |  |  |  | 1 |  | 4 | 5 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  |  |  | 12 |  | 9 | 21 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 3,951 |  | 1,165 | 5,116 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES |  |  |  | 7 |  | 66 | 73 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 25 |  | 10,124 | 10,149 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  | 3 |  | 63 | 66 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 166 |  | 15,119 | 15,285 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  | 7 |  | 1 |  |  | 8 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1 |  | 140 |  |  | 141 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 1 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 35 | 39 |
|  | ACRES | 700 |  |  | 9,278 | 5 | 105,863 | 115,846 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES |  | 26 |  | 5 | 2 | 5 | 38 |
|  | ACRES |  | 2,590 |  | 1 | 1,762 | 1,557 | 5,910 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  | 13 |  |  | 13 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 3,641 |  |  | 3,641 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 1 | 33 | 2 | 56 | 3 | 182 | 277 |
|  | ACRES | 700 | 2,591 | 27,225 | 155,488 | 1,767 | 148,907 | 336,678 |

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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 | 9 | 0 | 834 | 33,411 |  |
| Yukon Territory | 0 | 0 | 81 | 174,847 |  |
| Alberta | 3 | 0 | 1,200 | 60,507 |  |
| Northwest Territory | 0 | 0 | 254 | 199,082 |  |
| Saskatchewan | 0 | 0 | 319 | 211,532 |  |
| Manitoba | 0 | 0 | 229 | 45,021 |  |
| Ontario | 5 | 1 | 1,627 | 36,980 |  |
| Quebec | 3 | 117 | 1,221 | 831,493 |  |
| Newfoundland | 3 | 0 | 137 | 21,428 |  |
| New Brunswick | 0 | 0 | 281 | 281 |  |
| Nova Scotia | 2 | 0 | 255 | 502 |  |
| Prince Edward Island | 0 | 0 | 10 | 42 |  |
| National Parks | 0 | 0 | 80 | 35,045 |  |
| Total | 25 | 118 | 6,528 | $1,650,171$ |  |

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

| AREA | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CREWS } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | CREWS <br> ST/OT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ENGS } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | ENGS <br> ST/OT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HELI } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HELI } \\ & \text { ST/OT } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AIRT } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | AIRT <br> ST/OT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OVRHD } \\ & \text { FED } \end{aligned}$ | OVRHD ST/OT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | 5 | 1 |  | 7 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  | 22 | 10 |
| Northwest | 43 | 76 | 73 | 104 | 7 | 30 | 6 |  | 397 | 331 |
| Northern California | 14 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 |  | 3 | 3 |
| Southern California |  |  | 2 | 11 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  | 2 |
| Northern Rockies | 42 | 16 | 11 | 27 | 16 | 14 | 6 |  | 504 | 205 |
| Eastern Great Basin | 3 | 4 | 19 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 1 |  | 70 | 11 |
| Western Great Basin | 1 | 9 | 82 | 65 | 2 |  |  |  | 6 | 11 |
| Southwest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |
| Rocky Mountain | 2 |  | 4 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 6 | 5 |
| Eastern Area |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 42 |  |
| Southern Area |  |  |  | 22 |  | 1 |  |  | 2 | 5 |
| Total | 110 | 107 | 203 | 242 | 44 | 52 | 15 | 0 | 1054 | 583 |


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