

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1997 - 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity decreased in Southern California due to rainfall from tropical storm Nora. Resource mobilization through NICC consisted of 1 Type II helicopter, 1 shower unit and some miscellaneous overhead. Minimal fire activity occurred elsewhere. Several units in Southern California, Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies continue to report very high fire indices.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

DEL DIOS, San Diego Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. This fire is located near Lake Hughes, west of Escondido, CA. The fire received light rain, enabling direct attack and rapid line construction. Two homes, 2 sheds and 2 trailers have been destroyed.

COFFEE, Sequoia NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Benik) is assigned. This fire is located 5 miles east of Springville, CA. Light rain has helped suppression efforts. Highway 190 has been reopened to the public. Current threats are structures and a repeater site.

DEMOCRAT, Sequoia NF. This fire is located near Democrat Hot Springs, 25 miles east of Bakersfield, CA. The fire received measurable rainfall.

HOMESTEAD, Los Padres NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Smith) is assigned. The fire is burning in old, heavy north slope mixed chaparral 30 miles west northwest of Santa Barbara, CA. Access is very limited due to steep and rocky terrain. Type I helicopters played a key role in holding the fires spread to a minimum as crews worked the line. Current threats are to Nojoqui County Park and Georgia Ranch.

AMPHITHEATER, Sequoia and Kings Canyon NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bacon) is assigned. This fire is located 32 miles east northeast of Visalia, CA. Rainfall has helped suppression efforts. The General Highway remains closed. Current threats are to Giant Forest development, a microwave station and utility lines.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
DEL DIOS	MVU	CA	1,130	80	9/26	100	5	2	0	6	NR	NR
COFFEE	SQF	CA	2,420	25	9/27	594	27	5	0	0	NR	NR
DEMOCRAT	SQF	CA	734	90	9/26	372	14	10	2	0	NR	NR
HOMESTEAD	LPF	CA	315	45	9/27	363	15	15	6	0	NR	NR
AMPHITHEATER	KNP	CA	230	60	9/27	328	12	5	2	0	NR	NR
JACK RABBIT	RRU	CA	2,500	100	----	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
KEEN	BDF	CA	150	100	----	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
POPPET	RRU	CA	1,500	100	----	NR	NR	NR	NR	7	NR	NR
CITY CREEK	BDF	CA	425	100	----	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

NR = Not Reported

OUTLOOK:

California will have patchy fog and clouds early in the day, becoming mostly sunny by mid afternoon. Temperatures will be in the 70's in the mountains, the 80's and lower 90's in the coastal valleys, and into the 90's in the interior valleys and deserts.

Washington and Oregon will be mostly cloudy west of the Cascades with a chance of rain along the coast. The eastern portion will be partly cloudy with a chance of showers. Temperatures will be cooler with slightly breezy conditions. Highs will be 65 to 72 west of the Cascades, and 65 to 80 to the east.

The remains of tropical storm Nora will move over Utah. This will bring mostly cloudy conditions with showers and some locally heavy rain. Temperatures will be in the upper 60's to the low 80's. Nevada will have decreasing clouds during the day with a chance of showers in the morning in the eastern sections. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's across the state.

A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED FOR EASTERN MONTANA FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITIES AND INCREASING WIND THIS AFTERNOON. Western Montana will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers, turning cooler during the afternoon. Highs will be in the 60's and 70's. Eastern Montana will have increasing clouds and wind. Highs will be in the high 80's and 90's.

The Southeast will be mostly cloudy and humid with numerous showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA								NR
NORTHWEST						1		1
CA-NORTH				1	14			15
CA-SOUTH						1		1
NORTHERN	5							5
GB-EAST								0
GB-WEST		1						1
SOUTHWEST	1							1
ROCKY MTN						1		1
EASTERN						3		3
SOUTHERN					21	1		22
USA	6	1	0	1	35	7		50

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							NR
NORTHWEST						90	90
CA-NORTH				50	12		62

CA-SOUTH								290	290
NORTHERN	5								5
GB-EAST								1	1
GB-WEST									0
SOUTHWEST									0
ROCKY MTN									0
EASTERN								1	1
SOUTHERN							118	99	217
USA	5	0	0	50	130	481			666

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST										
CA-NORTH	14	3	14	4	3	1	4	2	12	2
CA-SOUTH	46	50	36	9	18	3	4	3	171	95
NORTHERN			14							
GB-EAST			4		1		1			
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	60	53	68	13	22	4	9	5	183	97

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	86	52	14	530	11	699
NORTHWEST	195	325	20	93	1,153	1,023	2,809
CA-NORTH	78	62	1	19	2,415	803	3,378
CA-SOUTH	45	371	3	50	3,403	822	4,694
NORTHERN	489	33	30	27	349	592	1,520
GB-EAST	26	484		13	289	556	1,360
GB-WEST		378		17	71	183	649
SOUTHWEST	793	177	18	82	821	1,643	3,534
ROCKY MTN	487	389	16	34	764	363	2,053
EASTERN	550			34	9,939	400	10,923
SOUTHERN	4		100	63	22,111	676	22,954
USA	2,673	2,305	240	446	41,845	7,072	54,573
10 YEAR AVERAGE							64,022

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	833,991	761,110	19,670	295,526	32	1,910,357
NORTHWEST	976	20,728	6,573	375	5,737	5,272	39,661
CA-NORTH	106	571	30	2,366	6,882	1,403	11,358
CA-SOUTH	576	15,769	2,419	54	32,273	93,980	145,071

NORTHERN	5,342	570	2,097	6	2,493	747	11,255
GB-EAST	24	43,411		42	10,021	4,300	57,798
GB-WEST		37,202		2	418	4,772	42,394
SOUTHWEST	4,444	4,590	1,778	1,848	123,596	13,968	150,224
ROCKY MTN	4,284	8,200	151	1,395	24,425	1,948	40,403
EASTERN	3,191			120	47,175	5,231	55,717
SOUTHERN	12		9,343	3,500	259,270	17,244	289,369
USA	18,983	965,032	783,501	29,378	807,816	148,897	2,753,607
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,951,614

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	*	*	1,075	2,446
YUKON TERRITORY	*	*	107	10,127
ALBERTA	*	*	405	818
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	*	*	102	46,113
SASKATCHEWAN	*	*	476	3,867
MANITOBA	*	*	362	33,799
ONTARIO	*	*	1,522	29,602
QUEBEC	*	*	810	364,934
NEWFOUNDLAND	*	*	109	9,473
NEW BRUNSWICK	*	*	306	131
NOVA SCOTIA	*	*	324	522
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	*	*	32	93
NATIONAL PARKS	*	*	51	298
TOTALS	0	0	5,681	502,223

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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