

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2001 - 0630 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 4

CURRENT SITUATION:

Five new large fires were reported, two in the Northwest and one each in Western Great Basin, Eastern Great Basin and Northern Rockies areas. Three large fires met containment objectives, two in the Eastern Great Basin and one in the Western Great Basin areas. Initial attack activity was moderate in the Eastern Great Basin area and light elsewhere. Very high to extreme fire danger was reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

Bozeman Area Command (Williams-Rhodes) is assigned to manage the Fridley, Little Joe and Monument fires on the Gallatin National Forest. Priorities are being established by the Northern Rockies Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

MOOSE, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles north of Whitefish, MT. The fire made significant runs to the south and east forcing the evacuation of three campgrounds and a Ranger Station. Three outbuildings were lost. Residences along the North Fork Road continue to be threatened.

LITTLE JOE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Joki) is assigned. This fire is ten miles northwest of Gardiner, MT. Mop up and fireline improvement continue. Night operations have been suspended due to grizzly bear hazard.

MONUMENT, Gallatin National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Adams) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is in Sweet Grass County, MT in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness Area. No new information was received.

FRIDLEY, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles southwest of Livingston, MT. Burnout operations minimized the increase in acreage.

BARNUM CREEK, Northwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Specht) is assigned. This fire is five miles north of Happy's Inn, MT. The fire is spreading to the east and north. The burn has been very spotty and will take considerable time to fully secure.

ELKHORN, Dakota Prairie National Forest. This fire is 25 miles northwest of Medora, ND. Rough terrain along south and west flanks are creating control difficulties.

WALTON, Clearwater National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (McElwain) is assigned. This fire is three miles south of Powell, ID. The

Tom Beal road continues to be closed and the Elk Summit Road has been opened with use of a pilot car. Spot fires on the eastern flank continue to pose suppression difficulties.

EAR, Flathead National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire is 35 miles southeast of Columbia Falls, MT. Helicopter operations were shut down again due to strong winds. Minimum impact suppression tactics are being used in the Great Bear Wilderness.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MOOSE	MT	FNF	43000	0	UNK	922	29	19	10	3	4M
LITTLE JOE	MT	GNF	860	90	9/3	603	19	12	7	1	2.8M
MONUMENT	MT	GNF	1600	UNK	9/30	52	1	0	1	0	390K
FRIDLEY	MT	GNF	26000	40	9/5	1269	34	44	14	0	6.2M
BARNUM CREEK	MT	NWS	280	50	9/4	245	7	5	3	0	215K
ELKHORN	ND	DPF	400	20	9/4	103	0	23	0	0	35K
WALTON	ID	CWF	470	35	9/3	622	19	16	5	0	800K
EAR	MT	FNF	620	80	9/2	420	11	5	4	0	3.0M

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned to manage the Virginia Lake, Icicle, Spruce Springs/Dome, and Tonasket complexes in eastern Washington. Priorities are being established by the Northwest Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

BOULEVARD, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles southwest of LaGrande, OR. Crews have made good progress with fireline construction.

HIGH BRIDGE, Yakima Agency, BIA. This fire is 27 miles south of Toppenish, WA. Steep, rocky terrain and extreme fire behavior are slowing containment efforts.

MT. LEONA COMPLEX, Colville National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles northwest of Republic, WA. Transition to a Type 3 Incident Management Team is scheduled. Crews continue to improve and mopup fireline on the eastern flank.

REX CREEK COMPLEX, Wenatchee National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Rex Creek, Glory Mountain and four other fires, is 34 miles northwest of Lake Chelan, WA in the Sawtooth Wilderness Area. Crews continue to mopup with the aid of helicopter bucket work.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BOULEVARD	OR	WWF	150	0	UNK	204	8	0	4	0	NR
HIGH BRIDGE	WA	YAA	750	80	9/2	54	1	9	1	0	90K

MT. LEONA COMPL	WA	COF	6144	98	UNK	631	22	13	5	0	11.3M
REX CREEK COMPL	WA	WEF	43000	65	9/7	254	6	5	6	2	7.0M

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

ELK CREEK, Payette National Forest. This fire is 15 miles east of Warren, ID. No new information was reported.

SNOWSHOE, Salmon-Challis National Forest. This fire, which began on 7/20, is seven miles east of Landmark, ID. The fire continues to spread in northerly and southerly directions. Pistol Creek Trail, 44 Creek Trail, and Little Pistol Trail are closed.

IRON CREEK, Bridger-Teton National Forest. This fire is in the Bridger Wilderness, WY. The fire is continuing to move slowly in a northeast direction. No area closures within the Bridger Wilderness are anticipated.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ELK CREEK	ID	PAF	2710	90	9/15	96	3	0	3	0	3.5M
SNOWSHOE	ID	SCF	17500	0	9/20	21	0	1	1	0	1.6M
IRON CREEK	WY	BTF	100	0	UNK	74	3	0	3	0	150K
SUBSTATION	UT	RID	995	100	---	312	10	7	4	0	707K
MOLLIE	UT	UIF	8021	100	---	122	2	2	4	2	3.6M

RID = Richfield Field Office, BLM  
 UIF = Uinta National Forest

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

STAR, Eldorado National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Vail) is assigned. This fire is northeast of Georgetown, CA. Burn out operations are scheduled on the west flank in Duncan Canyon and will take place at night. Protection measures are still in place for Sierra Sequoia Grove and structures in the Red Star Ridge area.

HYAMPOM, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Szczeapanik) is assigned. This fire is eight miles north of Hayfork, CA. The fire is spreading towards the southeast into Brady Road and Highland Road area where structures are located.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STAR	CA	ENF	11940	45	9/7	2150	74	53	9	0	9.1M
HYAMPOM	CA	SHF	330	40	9/3	572	13	24	4	0	400K

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BUGGY, Carson City Field Office, BLM. This human caused fire is 30 miles southeast of Fallon, NV. Erratic winds and extremely low fuel moisture contributed to the fire jumping retardant lines.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BUGGY	NV	CCD	1000	0	UNK	103	5	8	1	0	50K
GRANITE	NV	GBP	618	100	-	65	4	3	0	0	405K

GBP = Great Basin National Park

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

LEROY, Wyoming State Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. This fire is burning in Ponderosa pine and grass, is 12 miles northwest of Wheatland, WY. Fire spread was minimal.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LEROY	WY	WYS	3700	40	9/5	313	11	10	2	0	463K

OUTLOOK

Surface high pressure will replace the dry cold front that has been influencing the Northern Rockies area. Weather will be partly cloudy with less winds. Temperatures will range from the 70s to 80s and minimum relative humidity will be 15 to 30 percent. Winds will be southwest to west at 10 to 20 mph.

A dry air mass remains over the Eastern Great Basin area as upper level high pressure persists over the region. Isolated dry thunderstorms are possible over the mountains of Utah and southeast Idaho. Temperatures will be 85 to 100 in Utah and mid 80s to 90s in Idaho, with minimum relative humidity at 8 to 20 percent. Winds will be variable 5 to 20 mph, but gusty near thunderstorms.

In Northern California a dry westerly flow will dominate the region. Weather will be sunny with some high thin clouds with temperatures in to 60s to low 70s along the coast and lower 80s to mid 90s inland. Minimum relative humidity will be 15 to 25 percent and winds southeast to southwest at 5 to 15 mph.

Moisture from the remains of tropical storm Flossie will continue to bring a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms to the Western Great Basin area. Weather will be partly cloudy with scattered afternoon

thunderstorms in the south and isolated thunderstorms to the north, mainly over the mountains. Temperatures will be 85 to 95 in north and central portions of the region with 90 to 105 in the south. Minimum relative humidity will be 10 to 15 percent in the north and 20 to 30 percent in the south, with winds south to southwest at 10 to 15 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES					11	3	14
NORTHWEST	ACRES					43	90	133
CA-NORTH	FIRES	1				18	4	23
CA-NORTH	ACRES	3				37	336	376
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1	10	6	17
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				1	0	0	1
NORTHERN	FIRES	2				4	5	11
NORTHERN	ACRES	5				6	22262	22273
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	6				4	11
GB-EAST	ACRES	0	77				1311	1388
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			1	1	3
GB-WEST	ACRES		1000			60	1	1061
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1					3	4
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	0					5	5
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		2			3	1	6
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		5			2	3	10
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					3		3
SOUTHERN	ACRES					26		26
TOTAL	FIRES	5	9	0	1	50	27	92
TOTAL	ACRES	8	1082	0	1	174	24008	25273

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	311	3	335
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210141	3263	221942
NORTHWEST	FIRES	241	335	27	38	1467	1251	3359
NORTHWEST	ACRES	96580	296077	6487	618	96424	104520	600706
CA-NORTH	FIRES	127	75	8	23	2478	918	3629
CA-NORTH	ACRES	219	75032	5871	5	39520	85224	205871
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	108	116	16	40	1854	629	2763
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	413	8950	1263	12	19930	29725	60293
NORTHERN	FIRES	749	47	20	32	671	683	2202
NORTHERN	ACRES	8253	4953	453	2858	13272	82326	112115
GB-EAST	FIRES	65	963		62	827	890	2807

GB-EAST	ACRES	781	105719		940	124045	43417	274902
GB-WEST	FIRES	18	613	4	16	110	208	969
GB-WEST	ACRES	8971	480405	1	812	31470	61743	583402
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1162	206	16	44	717	1596	3741
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5479	5495	4568	1083	19398	20484	56507
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	330	597	24	55	423	560	1989
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2153	12903	300	175	44452	8822	68805
EASTERN	FIRES	330		10	49	10531	456	11376
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	40316	5526	61210
SOUTHERN	FIRES	35		60	1081	23393	701	25270
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4749		19316	37329	613179	18861	693434
TOTALS	FIRES	3167	2954	200	1442	42782	7895	58440
TOTALS	ACRES	142452	990619	39888	50170	1252147	463911	2939187

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 62,480  
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 3,232,436

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES			3				3
SOUTHERN	ACRES			3636				3636
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	3636	0	0	0	3636

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
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ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	66	9			314	406
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4801	7194			50057	66408
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	5	1		41	73
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	615	10		9512	10499
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		44	51
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		9305	9699
NORTHERN	FIRES	21	7	115		44	301	488
NORTHERN	ACRES	1736	5840	16008		4309	29906	57799
GB-EAST	FIRES		9	4	3	9	40	65
GB-EAST	ACRES		887	1890	177	1490	8876	13320
GB-WEST	FIRES		9		1		2	12
GB-WEST	ACRES		805		0		182	987
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	26	11		2	204	256
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21947	35634		500	59148	119431
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	114	3	2	50	190
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	14836	303	762	26747	49540
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		185	15	142	882	1231
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		56893	33902	87697	702286	881496
TOTAL	FIRES	90	145	515	35	522	2005	3312
TOTAL	ACRES	20415	38789	151884	35921	139075	913185	1299269

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		1	3
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				30		11	41
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				9008		73	9081
NORTHERN	FIRES				12		23	35
NORTHERN	ACRES				501		4387	4888
GB-EAST	FIRES				2		1	3
GB-EAST	ACRES				610		40	650
GB-WEST	FIRES	2	26		1			29
GB-WEST	ACRES	0	7016		618			7634
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				5		21	26
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1232		7185	8417
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		17	1	2		10	30
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2812	48	934		603	4397
EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
EASTERN	ACRES						24	24
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	2	43	1	54	0	69	169
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	9828	48	12904	0	12313	35093

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	1074	8707
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	68	17772
ALBERTA	4	1	829	151812
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	124	108756
SASKATCHEWAN	2	1	741	180014
MANITOBA	0	0	482	77876
ONTARIO	6	1	1414	10599
QUEBEC	1	1	947	31131
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	387	183	1196
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	402	546
NOVA SCOTIA	1	16	392	418
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	25	26
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	92	17389
TOTALS	14	407	6773	606242

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RESOURCE 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										
NORTHWEST	53	54	41	177	7	20			629	1097
CA-NORTH	114	55	87	50	6	13	1		225	209
CA-SOUTH	20		7		7	1	1		25	2
NORTHERN	98	36	29	134	7	46			728	508
GB-EAST	23	13	25	13	15	11			194	36
GB-WEST	9	7	11	9	1	1			8	1
SOUTHWEST	5		8							
ROCKY MTN	9	4	4	11	1	1			44	25
EASTERN									14	
SOUTHERN	8									
TOTAL	339	169	212	394	44	93	2	0	1867	1878

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