

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1994 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: The Northern Rockies experienced increased initial attack activity due to dry lightning. Active burning continued on several large fires in the Northwest, Great Basin, Northern Rockies and California. A Type I Incident Management Team was committed in the Northern Rockies from California.

The 3/82nd Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division (Lt. Col. Marcus Dudley) has been reassigned from the East Fork Chamberlin to the 17 Mile fire in the Northern Rockies.

Colonel Anthony Palermo USMC, is the Task Force Commander of the two Marine Battalions assigned to the Tyee fire. Colonel William T. Maddox, USA, is the Task Force Commander for three Battalions and one Aviation Battalion assigned to the Corral Creek and 17 Mile fires and the Idaho City Complex.

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

CORRAL CREEK, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Johnson) is committed. The 14th Engineer Battalion, (Lt. Col. Perrenot, Commander) is committed. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles Commander). The rate of spread of the fire slowed some what yesterday. This complex continues on a course to merge with the Blackwell Complex. Structure protection is continuing on both sides of the Salmon River.

BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) is committed. This is a unified command with Idaho State Department of Lands, represented by Bill Williams. The complex is comprised of the BLACKWELL and 10 smaller fires. Torching and spotting up to 1 mile continue to cause control problems. 90% of the planned pre-treatment has been accomplished at Secesh Meadows and Burgdorf. All residents of Burgdorf have evacuated and only 22 residents remain at Secesh Meadows. Yesterday, the fire crossed Lick Creek Road.

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) is committed. The 20th Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Bruce Porter, Commander) is committed. The complex consists of the BANNOCK, BEAR RIVER, RABBIT CREEK and NORTH FORK fires. Extreme fire behavior continued on the Rabbit Creek fire with major fire runs to the west and long range spotting across the North Fork of the Boise River. Two miles of line was burned out on the west side of Rabbit Creek and dozer line is being constructed. Structures at Barber Flat are threatened by several spot fires. The fire is cooling around Black Rock Campground and Deer Park.

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Butler) is committed. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles Commander). The fire continued to back towards the South Fork of the Salmon River and make several small runs. Airtankers and helicopter bucket drops were utilized to

prevent the fire from crossing Roaring Creek.MESA, Targhee NF. Fire spread continues to keep Highway 47, the Mesa Falls Scenic Byway closed to the public.

PIONEER CREEK, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is committed. Threats are to Loon Creek Guard Station and Diamond D Ranch.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	48,600	5	UNK	1,303	49	35	6	0	UNK	4.3M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	28,250	10	UNK	1,157	33	33	7	0	UNK	5.5M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	21,700	20	8/28	1,581	42	20	7	0	UNK	10.5M
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	960	65	8/18	462	13	6	7	0	UNK	895K
MESA	TAF	ID	125	90	8/16	80	1	10	2	0	UNK	UNK
E. DEWEYVILLE	WCF	UT	400	20	UNK	36	1	4	1	0	UNK	20K
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	750	0	UNK	82	3	6	2	0	UNK	UNK

WCF = Wasatch-Cache NF

#### Northwest Area Large Fires:

TYEE COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) will rotate out and (Maupin) will take over the fire within the next few days. The 5th Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment (Lt. Col. Rick Lindsey, Commander) and the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment (Lt. Col. Dave Bonwit, Commander) are assigned. Burn out operations were planned for yesterday afternoon. The fire experienced torching and active ground fire spread at a rate of 15-20 chains per hour.

SNAKE RIVER COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is committed. Three CH-47 helicopters from the 214th Aviation Unit, USAR, Fort Lewis, WA are assigned. This complex is comprised of the RAPID RIVER, SADDLE CREEK, HAAS HOLLOW, and SWAMP CREEK fires. The fire is within 100 yards of the Rapid River. The fire growth is in the Cannon Creek and Bridge Creek drainages.

BOUNDARY, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Shaw) has taken over this fire. The 41st Brigade Transportation Unit, National Guard (Mjr. Holly) will provide transportation. Oregon Department of Forestry is providing support and structural protection for Tower Mountain Lookout and other structures. The fire is burning in sub-alpine fir and dead/downed lodgepole pine stands. A state fireline explosive team is constructing fireline along the south end. A major burn out operation was planned for last night.

HATCHERY COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is committed. Five CH-47 helicopters from the 214th Aviation Unit, Fort Lewis, WA are assigned. The complex is comprised of the ALPINE LAKES, HATCHERY, RAT CREEK and LOWER VALLEY fires. Active burning is becoming more frequent due to high temperatures and low humidities. Crews are still holding constructed firelines.

METHOW COMPLEX, Okanogan NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Harbour) will relinquish command to a local Team (I.C. Mc Donald) today at 1800. The Complex consists of the WHITEFACE, QUARTZ, STUB, THUNDER MTN. and WAR CREEK fires. The Whiteface fire was declared controlled yesterday.

OKANOGAN COMPLEX, Okanogan NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) is committed. The transition to a Type III Incident Management Team is scheduled to occur 8/17 on all fires except the Boulder. The complex is comprised of the RAINBOW/BOULDER/BUTTE, POORMAN, BURNT SAW, FALLS CREEK and MISC. ABC fires. Helicopter bucket drops are still the main suppression activity.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
TYEE COMPLEX	WEF	WA	124,780	90	8/22	2,462	79	36	12	94	UNK	29.6M
SNAKE RVR CPX	WWF	OR	5,802	25	8/19	536	17	3	8	0	UNK	5M
BOUNDARY	WWF	OR	3,300	30	8/20	1,057	31	38	3	0	UNK	5M
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	42,385	90	UNK	420	11	16	6	19	UNK	18M
METHOW CPLX	OKF	WA	16,634	80	8/19	586	19	9	6	0	UNK	5.9M
OKANOGAN CPX	OKF	WA	4,631	30	UNK	96	2	6	5	0	UNK	10.6M

#### Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

KOOCANUSA, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee) is committed. No other information received.

STARVATION CREEK, Glacier NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Danforth) is committed. The fire is burning very close to the Canadian border.

SAM GROUP, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is committed. The complex is comprised of the SAM, HIDDEN-FIX, and the MINNESAKA fires. Unburned fuels within the perimeter continue to flare-up.

WOLF MOUNTAIN II COMPLEX, Montana State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bosworth) is committed. The Wolf Mtn 1 & 2 were lined but is not secure due to flare-ups.

LITTLE WOLF, Flathead NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is committed. All constructed fireline was lost and all machinery and personnel were moved to a safety zone. This fire was projected at 3,000 acres by 1800 yesterday, and is a plume driven fire.

PRIEST LAKE COMPLEX, Idaho Panhandle NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is committed.

17 MILE, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Meuchel) is committed. The 3/82nd Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division (Lt. Col. Marcus Dudley) is assigned. The fire is burning primarily in a big game winter range, semi-primitive non-motorized recreation and semi-primitive roaded recreation areas.

BITTER-NEZ, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bullis) is committed. The complex consists of the SADDLE, MAGRUDER, NICK, SAWTOOTH and WAHOO fires. Air operations on Magruder were halted due to high winds and smoke conditions. A spike camp has been established on the Saddle Mountain fire. The Wahoo fire is currently unstaffed. Acreage estimates for this complex are: Magruder-180 acres, Nick-375 acres, Saddle Mountain-65 acres, and Wahoo-85 acres. Concerns are for high winds, steep terrain and smoke conditions.

ST. JOE COMPLEX, Idaho Panhandle NF. A Type II Incident Management Team

(Hart) is committed. The complex had 2 new starts and 60 holdover fires yesterday. Two injuries were reported a backstrain and one dehydration.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
STARVATION	GNP	MT	200	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
SAM GROUP	CWF	ID	465	95	8/16	542	18	1	5	UNK	900K	1.5M
WOLF MTN II C	MTS	MT	3,200	0	UNK	123	1	9	2	UNK	1.1M	302K
LITTLE WOLF	FNF	MT	150	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
FREEZEOUT	CWF	ID	5,550	UNK	9/15	9	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	13K
PRIEST LAKE C	IPF	ID	681	0	8/29	94	3	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	183K
LOST TRAIL	MTS	MT	1,170	100		253	9	10	1	UNK	UNK	189K
17 MILE	KNF	MT	1,200	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
BITTER-NEZ	BRF	MT	625	70	8/18	166	4	4	2	UNK	UNK	424K
ST JOE FIRES	IPF	ID	640	UNK	UNK	648	20	26	2	UNK	UNK	3.2M

#### North Zone - California Large Fires:

DILLON COMPLEX, Klamath NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Caves) is committed. This complex is comprised of the JACK/XX/CEDAR, KELSEY/WILLIS, HARRINGTON/DIVIDE and 16 other contained fires.

HORIZON, Yosemite NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Sherwood) is committed. Crews are working to contain the spotting that has occurred along the Illilouette Creek drainage. Primary lines are being improved and secondary lines constructed around these problem areas.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
DILLON CMPLX	KNF	CA	20,162	75	8/16	1,018	25	25	8	0	39.7M	20.5M
HORIZON	YNP	CA	2,860	95	8/15	467	19	1	5	0	UNK	938K

#### Southwest Area Large Fires

WARM, Phoenix District BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Coats) has been ordered from the Southern Area. Control problems are steep, rugged terrain and high winds. Current threat is to Big Horn Sheep habitat.

#### South Zone California Large Fires:

DEEP CREEK COMPLEX, San Bernardino NF. This complex consists of the JEEP and ROUSE fires. The fire is burning towards last month's Devil fire.

41. San Luis Obispo Ranger Unit, California State. This arson caused fire has caused the evacuation of 50-75 homes. The fire is threatening the community of Atascadero. Erratic winds and extreme fire behavior is hampering control efforts.

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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
DEEP CRK CPLX	BDF	CA	1,800	60	UNK	828	5	10	2	0	UNK	UNK
41	CAS	CA	41,300	0	UNK	935	21	63	7	UNK	UNK	UNK
CREEK	CAS	CA	1,400	100		UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
CACTUS	CAS	CA	480	100		UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK

CAS = California State

Outlook: A RED FLAG WATCH has been posted in eastern Oregon, central and southern Idaho and western Wyoming for winds. Moderately strong southwest to west winds, cooler but dry, will push inland and surface during the day over the pacific northwest, Idaho, Montana and northern Nevada. California remains hot and dry. Monsoon moisture and thunderstorm activity remains over Arizona and New Mexico. Southern Utah, southern Nevada, eastern Wyoming and Colorado will experience isolated afternoon thunderstorms and monsoon moisture will decrease. Large fire activity will continue.

#### FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA				1	3		4
NORTHWEST	2	1			6	7	16
CA-NORTHERN	1			1		1	3
CA-SOUTHERN					18	2	20
NORTHERN	3	1		5	48	158	215
GB-EASTERN		3				11	14
GB-WESTERN						3	3
SOUTHWEST	3	2		2		29	36
ROCKY MTN				2		11	13
EASTERN					2	1	3
SOUTHERN							
USA	9	7		11	77	223	327

#### ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	20			0	1,910		1,930
NORTHWEST	2	1			21	61	85
CA-NORTHERN	0			10		0	10
CA-SOUTHERN					59	0	59
NORTHERN	0	700		0	1,519	4,557	6,776
GB-EASTERN		5				121	126
GB-WESTERN						3	3
SOUTHWEST	6	6,000		14		67	6,087
ROCKY MTN				0		2	2
EASTERN					2	0	
SOUTHERN							
USA	28	6,706		24	3,511	4,811	15,080

#### RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		4								
NORTHWEST	#196	23	111	13	41	9	7		#1,044	678
CA-NORTHERN	29	34	30	8	11		2	6	235	249

CA-SOUTHERN	15	35	13	74	3	3	3	4	45	93
NORTHERN	#112	6	48	28	19	7			#592	166
GB-EASTERN	#129	21	63	59	17	18			#794	337
GB-WESTERN	1		2		2		1			
SOUTHWEST	4		12		6				15	1
ROCKY MTN	2	1	3	2	7		2	2	33	4
EASTERN*										
SOUTHERN*										
USA	488	124	282	184	106	37	15	12	2,758	1,528

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

\* No reports received.

#Includes military

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	58	77	46	13	329	5	528
NORTHWEST	376	239	11	129	1,693	1,598	4,046
CA-NORTHERN	83	39	3	53		721	899
CA-SOUTHERN		99		24	2,480	570	3,173
NORTHERN	327	41		56	1,205	2,110	3,739
GB-EASTERN	83	583		24	252	1,014	1,956
GB-WESTERN		436			73	157	666
SOUTHWEST	1,334	370	17	183	1,568	2,394	5,866
ROCKY MTN	626	596		62	530	592	2,406
EASTERN	324			53	9,158	497	10,032
SOUTHERN	2		32	81	20,359	661	21,135
USA	3,213	2,480	109	678	37,647	10,319	54,446
5 YEAR AVERAGE							50,893

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,406	46,945	78,680	12,212	37,673	1	221,917
NORTHWEST	57,410	76,697	7,918	4,215	17,054	178,103	341,479
CA-NORTHERN	105	2,743	8,042	3,575		33,943	48,408
CA-SOUTHERN		22,057		15	43,159	54,755	119,986
NORTHERN	5,882	3,007		767	19,794	12,839	42,239
GB-EASTERN	1,345	213,160		40	62,761	74,249	351,665
GB-WESTERN		185,435			4,362	13,648	203,448
SOUTHWEST	31,443	118,131	7,683	23,995	206,451	145,674	533,377
ROCKY MTN	20,647	30,979		155	9,839	8,248	69,868
EASTERN	16,399			940	83,605	6,371	107,313
SOUTHERN	12		11,594	3,763	394,906	37,416	447,691
USA	179,599	699,154	113,917	49,677	879,604	565,442	2,487,393
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,977,679

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	78	0
YUKON TERRITORY	10	0
ALBERTA	4	1
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	3	400,920
SASKATCHEWAN	10	142
MANITOBA	1	115

ONTARIO		0		0		942		79,246	
QUEBEC		0		0		415		115,891	
NEWFOUNDLAND		0		0		104		110,321	
NEW BRUNSWICK		0		12		236		137	
NOVA SCOTIA		0		0		183		121	
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND		0		0		17		14	
NATIONAL PARKS		3		7		123		50,099	
TOTALS		109		401,204		7,521		3,300,564	

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