

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 1994 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Moderate initial attack activity occurred throughout the west. Some large fires in the Northern Rockies, Eastern Great Basin and California continued to experience problems. Demobilization continues from the Northwest and on resources meeting the 21 day commitment.

A 6th military battalion from Ft. Lewis, WA will provide suppression assistance to the Little Wolf fire, Flathead NF. Orientation and training is scheduled for 8/19 & 20, with deployment scheduled for 8/21.

Colonel Anthony Palermo USMC, is the Task Force Commander of the two Marine Battalions assigned to the Tyee fire and the West Koocanusa Complex. 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 fire continues to spread to the northeast, backing down to Disappointment Lake. Line construction from upper Payette Lake to the south end of the fire is complete. Structure protection is in place along 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. All the fires in this complex have burned together into one fire. A major burnout operation continued on the west flank, reinforcing and extending the burnout from the previous day. The fire exhibited active torching and spotting after the inversion lifted. The threat of structure loss continues at Burgdorf and Secesh.

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Eddy) 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. Burnout of the west line was accomplished on the Rabbit Creek fire. Helicopter support was minimal due to heavy smoke. The east side exhibited extreme fire activity. Threats continue to structures at Barber Flat, Deer Park area, Sunset Lookout and numerous timber sales in the vicinity continue.

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Denton) is committed. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander). Fire activity picked up almost immediately after the inversion broke. The burnout operation above the S. Fork Salmon River is going well. Efforts yesterday were concentrated on keeping the fire away from the powerline to Yellowpine.

PIONEER CREEK, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is committed. Loon Creek Guard Station and Diamond D Ranch are less than 1/4 mile from the fire. Structure protection is the primary objective of suppression action. Historic townsites and a mine are also threatened. Crews anchored a line at the mouth of Trail Creek and the Team will take over initial attack suppression duties in and around the the Loon Creek drainage.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	52,400	10	UNK	1,143	39	35	7	0	UNK	5.7M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	36,000	20	UNK	1,134	30	49	7	0	UNK	14.7M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	32,800	25	8/28	1,492	39	27	7	0	UNK	17M
BEAVER MTN.	WCF	UT	617	35	8/19	193	6	3	4	0	UNK	625K
TIN CUP	CAF	ID	150	0	UNK	61	3	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	2,640	20	UNK	592	15	7	7	0	UNK	2.5M
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	5,464	10	UNK	135	3	5	2	0	UNK	680K

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

LITTLE WOLF, Flathead NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is committed. Acreage increase was primarily due to more accurate mapping. There were no major advances in the fire front due to increased humidity and decreased winds. Favorable weather allowed aggressive action with airtankers, helicopters, dozers, engines and crews. The threat to about 40 homes ranging from summer cabins to year around residences, a historic FS Guard Station, Star Meadows Ranch and high value timber continues.

YAAK-RED DRAGON COMPLEX, 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 complex is comprised of the 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISHFRY, FOWLER, TURNER and many other 5-100 acre fires that have not been mapped yet. Structure protection continues on the Zimmerman, Skinner and Dooley fires. Fires were more active late yesterday than the day before. A strong inversion limited the use air suppression and detection of new fires.

WOLF MOUNTAIN II COMPLEX, Montana State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bosworth) is committed. This complex is now providing camp and logistical support for approximately 350 personnel from the Little Wolf fire.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee) is committed. The 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, (Lt. Col. Dave Bonwit, Commander) is assigned. Four of the priority fires are now staffed. High commercial timber values are at risk with numerous active timber sales in the area.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is committed. The complex consists of an estimated 17 fires; SMITH PEAK - 1,000 acres, WILLARD 3 - 250 acres, ROBERTS MTN., PORCUPINE, SPRUCE, SURVEY - BETWEEN 30-100 acres and spot fires under 30 acres.

PILICK, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) will take over the fire this morning.

ST. JOE COMPLEX, Idaho Panhandle NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hart) is committed. The complex is comprised of 12 contained fires, 5 holdover fires and 2 new starts. A 100 acre burnout was completed yesterday. Very steep slopes, rolling material and many burning and falling snags continue to present safety and control problems on the 1956 North fire. The complex is still providing protection to widespread urban interface and commercial timber.

PRIEST LAKE COMPLEX, Idaho Panhandle NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is committed. The fire was more active with higher temperatures and lower humidity yesterday.

STARVATION CREEK, Glacier NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Danforth) is committed. The fire is continues to spread toward the Canadian border. A culturally significant cabin and high value timber is threatened.

BITTER-NEZ, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bullis) is committed. The Team will transition today to another Type II Team. The complex consists of the SADDLE, MAGRUDER, NICK and SAWTOOTH fires. Crews are assisting the West Fork District with initial attack. Two crews are spiked out on the Nick Creek and continue to burnout and improve line.

YELLOWSTONE COMPLEX, Yellowstone NP. The Raven fire escaped control due to undetected hot spots coupled with high temperatures, low humidity and gusty winds.

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LITTLE WOLF	FNF	MT	11,500	40	UNK	627	19	40	3	0	UNK	395K
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	3,000	2	UNK	852	26	28	5	0	3.3M	518K
WOLF MTN II C	MTS	MT	645	60	UNK	456	14	14	4	0	420K	677K
KOOCANUSA CX	KNF	MT	950	20	UNK	663	29	9	0	0	3.7M	30K
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	1,600	0	UNK	60	0	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
PILICK	KNF	MT	100	0	8/29	0	0	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
ST JOE FIRES	IPF	ID	700	0	UNK	537	14	32	3	0	UNK	3.9M
PRIEST LAKE C	IPF	ID	692	0	9/5	332	11	0	2	0	UNK	656K
STARVATION	GNP	MT	420	10	UNK	181	8	5	2	0	UNK	176K
BITTER-NEZ	BRF	MT	1,690	70	8/24	219	7	3	3	0	UNK	760K
YELLOWSTONE C	YNP	WY	665	0	9/30	112	4	0	2	0	UNK	403K
MCDONALD	FHA	MT	8,000	100		257	7	10	4	0	30K	528K
FISHER PEAK	IPF	ID	130	0	UNK	8	0	0	0	0	135K	UNK

Northwest Area Large Fires:

TYEE CREEK, Wenatchee NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Maupin) is committed, with a State Team (Flannigan) under unified command. The 5th Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment (Lt. Col. Rick Lindsey, Commander) is assigned. Five CH-47 helicopters from the 214th Aviation Unit, Fort Lewis, WA are assigned. The estimated containment date has been moved up to 8/24. The perimeter of the fire has slightly increased due to the fire activity continuing in Billy and Cougar Creek drainages. Higher humidity and lower temperatures are hampering burnout operations, but four significant spots occurred across the line yesterday.

OKANOGAN COMPLEX, Okanogan NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) is committed to the Boulder fire. The complex is comprised of the RAINBOW/BOULDER/BUTTE, POORMAN, BURNT SAW, FALLS CREEK and MISC. ABC fires. Mop-up is still in progress.

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. Fire activity continues on the north end and on the southeast flank of the fire. The fire is smoldering, torching and making short runs within the fire perimeter.

BOUNDARY, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Shaw) is committed. The containment date has been moved up to 8/24.

HATCHERY COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is committed. The last unburned portion of Tumwater Canyon in Slide Creek burned actively yesterday. Ten of the twelve crews are on the wilderness portion of the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
TYEE CREEK	WEF	WA	126,550	90	8/24	2,404	70	36	12	94	UNK	32.8M
OKANOGAN CPX	OKF	WA	3,770	50	9/30	39	1	1	3	0	UNK	11.1M
SNAKE RVR CPX	WWF	OR	6,574	60	8/19	547	17	5	8	0	UNK	5M
BOUNDARY	WWF	OR	5,919	60	8/24	1,314	36	41	4	0	UNK	8.6M
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	43,285	90	UNK	447	14	15	6	19	UNK	19M
METHOW CPLX	OKF	WA	16,634	100		233	8	2	2	0	5.6M	6M

North Zone - California Large Fires:

COTTONWOOD, Tahoe NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Dougherty) is committed. The fire made a major run toward Balls canyon to the east and was also spotting on the westside and made runs towards Sierra Blanche subdivision. Current threats are to a resource natural area, a ranch and hundreds of residences in Loyalton and Sierra Brooks.

FISH, Mendocino Ranger Unit, California State. No new information received. HOOPA COMPLEX, Hoopa Agency, BIA. Control has been attained for all but 2 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. Suppression action and mop-up continued at a favorable pace. Mop-up in the wilderness remains difficult due to inaccessibility.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
COTTONWOOD	TNF	CA	21,000	15	UNK	1,328	14	33	5	0	UNK	7M
FISH	CAS	CA	635	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
DILLON CMPLX	KNF	CA	20,882	95	8/18	791	18	14	6	0	39.7M	25M
HOOPA CMPLX	HIA	CA	250	70	8/19	205	10	8	1	0	UNK	UNK
WIDOW	CAS	CA	300	100		20	20	8	0	1	UNK	UNK

South Zone California Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
41	CAS	CA	48,531	90	8/19	2,460	73	17	0	37	10M	5M
HEATON	ANF	CA	600	90	8/19	343	17	1	5	0	UNK	1.2M

Rocky Mountain Area Large Fires

The NEW GARVEY COMPLEX will no longer be reported unless significant activity occurs and it meets the reporting criteria.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
NEW GARVEY CX	GJD	CO	75	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
BIGELOW BENCH	RAD	WY	2,500	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MUDDY MTN.	WYS	WY	497	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

GJD = Grand Junction BLM RAD = Rawlins BLM WYS = Wyoming State

Outlook: *** A RED FLAG WATCH is posted for isolated dry thunderstorms and high Haines Indices late today in southwest Montana *** The four corners high will pump monsoon moisture a bit further north into northeastern Nevada and northern Utah today. Wet thundershowers will remain Arizona, New Mexico, southern and northeastern Nevada, southern and central Utah, Colorado and extreme southern California. A Pacific low pressure system along the coast will slowly shift eastward resulting in increasing southwest winds across Washington, Oregon, northern California, Idaho and northern Nevada. The east slopes of the Oregon Cascades could approach red flag conditions. Demobilization of resources meeting the 21 day commitment and mobilization to fill in behind these resources will continue. Potential for new fire activity exists with forecasted dry lightning in Montana and winds in Oregon. Burning conditions on large fires will remain active once inversions have lifted.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		0			4		4
NORTHWEST	2				3	4	9
CA-NORTHERN	0			1		0	1
CA-SOUTHERN					36	1	37
NORTHERN					10	22	32
GB-EASTERN		12			5	20	37
GB-WESTERN		2				2	4
SOUTHWEST		2				4	6
ROCKY MTN		4		4		5	13
EASTERN							
SOUTHERN							
USA	2	20		5	58	58	143

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		573			1,250		1,823
NORTHWEST	8,002				0	1	8,003
CA-NORTHERN	130			0		11,700	11,830
CA-SOUTHERN					428	0	428
NORTHERN					81	998	1,079
GB-EASTERN		736			15	12	763
GB-WESTERN		0				12	12
SOUTHWEST		40				5	45
ROCKY MTN		0		2		6	8
EASTERN							
SOUTHERN							
USA	8,132	1,349		2	1,774	12,734	23,991

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		4								
NORTHWEST	#139	23	104	45	#39	1	6		#1,313	111
CA-NORTHERN	52	40	48	226	7	3	7		310	572
CA-SOUTHERN	10	65	20	121	2	12		1	58	321
NORTHERN	#131	20	69	75	29	2			#863	169
GB-EASTERN	#115	16	62	68	#14	20			#814	324
GB-WESTERN		4	3		2		2			
SOUTHWEST	3		4		3					
ROCKY MTN	6	1	10	11	13		1		40	10
EASTERN*										
SOUTHERN*										
USA	456	173	320	546	109	38	16	1	3,398	1,507

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	60	76	46	14	337	7	540
NORTHWEST	383	246	11	128	1,690	1,617	4,075
CA-NORTHERN	92	40	3	54		735	924
CA-SOUTHERN		100		24	2,509	536	3,169
NORTHERN	330	40		57	1,254	2,186	3,867
GB-EASTERN	83	600		24	260	1,049	2,016
GB-WESTERN		442			76	163	681
SOUTHWEST	1,387	373	17	191	1,586	2,406	5,960
ROCKY MTN	640	628		77	544	630	2,519
EASTERN	324			53	9,160	498	10,035
SOUTHERN	2		32	81	20,359	661	21,135
USA	3,301	2,545	109	703	37,775	10,488	54,921
5 YEAR AVERAGE							51,358

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,416	48,324	78,682	12,220	39,378	2	225,022
NORTHWEST	65,414	76,713	7,918	4,219	22,523	190,955	367,742
CA-NORTHERN	266	2,744	8,042	4,465		57,044	72,561
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	43,702	57,099	126,873
NORTHERN	5,887	3,007		1,098	21,881	28,202	60,075
GB-EASTERN	1,345	214,014		44	62,762	79,042	357,207
GB-WESTERN		185,439			4,365	13,886	203,690
SOUTHWEST	31,449	119,193	7,683	23,995	206,536	145,887	534,743
ROCKY MTN	20,656	31,106		157	10,465	8,120	70,504
EASTERN	16,399			940	83,607	6,371	107,317
SOUTHERN	12		11,594	3,763	394,906	37,416	447,691
USA	187,844	706,597	113,919	50,916	890,125	624,024	2,573,425
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,949,432

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	62	561	3,353	23,332
YUKON TERRITORY	2	4,762	238	117,634
ALBERTA	0	0	682	27,971
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	228,962	588	2,086,329
SASKATCHEWAN	9	7	468	527,503
MANITOBA	3	626	452	445,788
ONTARIO	1	1	949	79,248
QUEBEC	0	2	419	115,893
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	7	116	110,608
NEW BRUNSWICK	13	3	257	140
NOVA SCOTIA	1	1	189	122
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	18	14
NATIONAL PARKS	5	89	135	51,196
TOTALS	99	235,021	7,864	3,585,778

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