

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 1994 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Increased initial attack activity occurred in the Northwest, Northern Rockies and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Two Type I Incident Management Teams and 4 Type II Incident Management Teams were mobilized for large fires in eastern Oregon.

Eight Blackhawk helicopters from the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade Ft. Riley, KS. have arrived on the Blackwell fire, Payette NF. Lt. Col. Brodstrum is the Commanding Officer. Training and orientation will begin today with full implementation is expected by 9/3.

Colonel William T. Maddox, USA, is the Task Force Commander of three Battalions and one Aviation Company assigned to the Corral Creek fire and the Idaho City Complex. Colonel Joseph Leigh, USA, is the Task Force Commander of three Battalions assigned to the 17 Mile fire, Little Wolf fire and the Koocanusa Complex. The 5/11 Marine Battalion (Camp Pendleton) has been released from the Tyee Creek fire.

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Kitchens, Area Commander) has been established for the Kootenai National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the following fires: Yaak-Red Dragon Complex, Cabinet Complex, Libby Complex, Trout Creek Complex, High One, Wolf II, and Koocanusa Complex's. Six CH-47 helicopters from the A/6-158th Aviation Unit are assigned.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. This complex includes the SCENERY, LEIGH CREEK, CHINA BASIN, MCKAY MTN, QUARTZ, and HANGING FLOWER fires. Despite higher temperatures and lower humidities, lines held on all fires.

LITTLE WOLF, Flathead NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Kohut) and the 3-11th Field Artillery Battalion, I Corps, USA, (Lt. Col. Patterson) are assigned. Star Meadows remains on evacuation alert. Scattered torching and minor spotting and burning out of interior islands continues.

YAAK-RED DRAGON COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Meuchel) and a Type II Incident Management Team (Dubois) are assigned. The 3-82nd Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division (Lt. Col. Dudley) is assigned. The complex now has 26 active fires, including the THUNDER HILL, 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISH FRY, FOWLER, GUNSIGHT, BURNT SHEEP, and PINK MTN.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee) and the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, (Lt. Col. Bonwit, Commander) are assigned. This complex consists of the CRIPPLE HORSE, MAXINE, 336, FOWLER, and BANFIELD fires. Ten fires totaling 810 acres have been contained and are in patrol and mop-up status. Heavy fuels, snags and long travel times continue to hamper suppression efforts.

BEAR CAMP, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is

assigned. Crews completed building line around the fire perimeter. A passing lightning storm started several new fires, diverting the helicopters for initial attack. Mop-up operations have been initiated along the lower and southern flanks.

ANN, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. Good progress was made on line construction yesterday. Dozers and crews prepared for a burnout operation planned for last night or today.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is assigned. Currently, five fires in the complex are staffed: SPRUCE, SURVEY, DRIFT, WILLARD, and WILL DO. The Smith fire increased about 130 acres with only small increases on the other unstaffed fires. Excellent progress continues on Spruce, Survey, and on the north and east side of the Willard fire.

HIGH ONE, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. The complex consists of the HIGH ONE and the TWIN MEADOWS fires. Handline construction and mop-up continued. A burnout was started on two divisions. Primary acreage increase is due to remapping.

TROUT CREEK COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) is assigned. The major fires in this complex are: PILLICK, LOST GIRL, GOAT ROCKS and DEVIL'S DAD. Line construction continued utilizing fire line explosives. Extensive use of bucket drops were utilized on a new fire.

PRIEST LAKE COMPLEX, Idaho Panhandle NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. Crews continued to make great progress in mop-up operations with adequate helicopter support. Transition to the district is scheduled for tomorrow.

FISHER PEAK, Idaho Panhandle NF. No new information received.

POWELL COMPLEX, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. This complex includes the FREEZEOUT, FERN CREEK, SPONGE, BIG SAND LAKE/HIDDEN CREEK and GOLD MEADOWS fires. Due to thunderstorm activity on the district most resources were diverted to initial attack.

COOLWATER COMPLEX, Nez Perce NF. The fire is burning in grass, shrubs and brush in a very old burn area located on the Selway District bordering the Clearwater NF.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	12,110	65	UNK	1,563	39	63	10	0	9.5M	1.6M
LITTLE WOLF	FNF	MT	15,230	95	9/31	1,801	57	45	7	0	10.3M	7.7M
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	11,700	60	9/15	2,186	68	42	5	0	8.8M	5.8M
KOOCANUSA CX	KNF	MT	10,495	25	9/10	1,135	33	22	4	0	8.2M	2.9M
BEAR CAMP	CWF	ID	510	70	8/29	298	8	11	2	0	UNK	535K
ANN	BRF	MT	2,828	60	8/30	650	22	22	4	0	UNK	1.9M
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	3,391	25	UNK	575	16	5	4	0	UNK	1.7M
HIGH ONE	KNF	MT	1,403	50	8/31	261	11	0	0	0	100K	390K
TROUT CREEK C	KNF	MT	1,030	48	9/12	194	5	5	2	0	UNK	434K
PRIEST LAKE C	IPF	ID	948	80	8/29	432	15	0	5	0	UNK	2.7M
FISHER PEAK	IPF	ID	420	90	8/29	265	9	0	4	0	300K	1.1M
POWELL CMPLX	CWF	ID	12,375	4	UNK	69	3	0	2	0	UNK	589K
COOLWATER CX	NPF	ID	150	0	UNK	36	0	0	0	0	UNK	UNK

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Smith, Area Commander) has been established for the Boise National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the Idaho City Complex and the Thunderbolt and Star Gulch fires.

CORRAL CREEK, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) and the 14th Engineer Battalion, (Lt. Col. Perrenot, Commander) are assigned. The fire was very active on the north and east sides. Wind gusts to 30 MPH were reported. Structure protection is continuing along the Salmon River.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is assigned. The fire made major runs on several fronts. Pony Creek drainage blew up and spotted into the Trails End subdivision. Crews were attempting to protect 30 structures, two were reported lost. Two hundred foot flame lengths were observed. The fire advanced about 3 miles toward Chamberlain.

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Denton) is assigned. The 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander) is providing helicopter support. Intense fire activity along the northeast corner prevented any significant progress on line construction. Engine crews are pretreating fuels and structures at Wapiti Ranch, as it is directly in the path of the fire.

STAR GULCH, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. Extreme fire weather was reported but the fire did not increase in size. Increase in acreage is due to remapping.

BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Harbour) is assigned with a State representative (Williams) under unified command. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander).

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Eddy) is assigned. The 20th Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Porter, Commander) and the 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Bostic, Commander) are assigned. The complex consists of the BANNOCK, BEAR RIVER, RABBIT CREEK and NORTH FORK fires. Burnout operations along the northwest flank were not successful as afternoon winds blew the fire outside of the control line. The increase in acreage is due to the burnout and some burning inside the indirect containment lines.

PIONEER CREEK, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is assigned. Fire perimeter showed little growth in spite of high winds and low humidities. Crews made excellent progress.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	71,400	45	UNK	1,272	40	19	7	0	UNK	10.4M
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	43,000	5	UNK	838	31	30	6	5	UNK	1.3M
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	12,100	15	UNK	866	26	22	6	0	UNK	9M
STAR GULCH	BOF	ID	30,570	80	9/3	889	27	27	6	2	UNK	4.9M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	43,930	50	UNK	902	23	29	5	0	UNK	20M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	82,680	60	9/7	2,304	64	41	7	0	109M	24M
INDIAN PT	BOF	ID	456	95	8/27	85	3	5	2	0	64K	52K

PIONEER CREEK| CHF|ID| 7,839| 75| UNK| 200| 5| 1| 5| 0| 50K| 1.4M|

Northwest Area Large Fires:

FREEZEOUT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) has been ordered. This fire is burning in grass and scattered timber 25 miles east of Enterprise, OR.

TWIN LAKES, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) has been ordered. This fire is burning in mixed conifer 12 miles north of Halfway, OR. Campers at Twin Lakes, Fish Lake and Indian Crossing Campgrounds have been evacuated.

LITTLE MALHEUR COMPLEX, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Andrade) is enroute. This complex consists of the JACKSON and POWDER fires. The Jackson fire is 3,000+ acres and is approximately 10 miles south of Unity, OR. The Powder fire is 2,000 acres.

JORDON SPRINGS, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Phenix) is enroute. This fire is located approximately 20 miles northeast of Burns, OR.

POTATOE FLAT, Ochoco NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lindsey) is assigned. The fire is presently lined, but spotting is hindering full containment.

HULL MOUNTAIN, Oregon State. A State Team (Templeton) is assigned. Total homes lost remains at six. Acreage increase is due to a burnout for structure protection. Mop-up is in full progress on four divisions and beginning on the remaining four. Threats to structures has diminished greatly in most areas. Residents will be allowed to return to all areas except Ramsey Road area.

HATCHERY COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. Acreage change is due to remapping. Rehab is continuing on roads and trails. Approximately 25.8 miles of natural confinement line needs to be strengthened before containment is achieved.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
FREEZEOUT	WWF	OR	2,000	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
TWIN LAKES	WWF	OR	1,000	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
L. MALHEUR CX	MAF	OR	5,000	0	UNK	32	1	7	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
JORDON SPRNGS	MAR	OR	600	0	UNK	16	UNK	1	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
POTATOE FLAT	OCF	OR	150	0	UNK	37	UNK	6	1	UNK	UNK	UNK
HULL MTN.	ORS	OR	8,000	85	8/29	2,265	71	126	12	6	UNK	3.5M
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	43,463	95	8/31	247	7	5	5	19	UNK	22.7M

South Zone - California Large Fires:

BIG CREEK, Sierra NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is committed. The towns of Big Creek and Camp Sierra along with the Huntington Lake Recreation Area remains evacuated. The fire has entered the community of Big Creek. No structures have been lost, but all power and phone service has been lost due to utility poles burning.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
BIG CREEK	SNF	CA	4,700	74	8/30	2,173	69	119	9	0	UNK	4.1M

North Zone:

SUGARFOOT, Mendocino NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Jansen) is committed. Crews are trying to keep the fire in the bottom of a drainage and out of a steep, inaccessible canyon.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
SUGARFOOT	MNF	CA	2,200	20	UNK	913	29	46	5	0	UNK	UNK

Outlook: An upper ridge of high pressure will build along the Pacific northwest coast. This will push a dry westerly flow of air across Nevada, eastern Oregon and western Idaho. Eastern Idaho will have isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms with spotty rainfall. Very low relative humidities are likely across Nevada, eastern Oregon and western Idaho. Monsoon moisture will continue to move up from the desert southwest into the Eastern Great Basin and rocky mountain states. Widely scattered showers and thundershowers will extend from Montana and Wyoming southward through Colorado and Utah into Arizona and New Mexico. Western Washington and western Oregon will be cloudy and cool. Large fires will continue to burn actively in Idaho and eastern Oregon. Initial attack activity should decrease, however, holdovers are likely to keep resources busy.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			3		3		6
NORTHWEST	1	2			6	19	28
CA-NORTHERN				1		5	6
CA-SOUTHERN						1	1
NORTHERN	4			1	7	33	45
GB-EASTERN		3			1	25	29
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST	2				1	7	10
ROCKY MTN		2				1	3
EASTERN							*
SOUTHERN							*
USA	7	7	3	2	18	91	128

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			1		251		252
NORTHWEST	25	0			3	4	32
CA-NORTHERN				0		2	2
CA-SOUTHERN						0	0
NORTHERN	15			0	105	1,668	1,788

GB-EASTERN		700			0	76	776
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST	2				1	40	43
ROCKY MTN		1				0	1
EASTERN							*
SOUTHERN							*
USA	42	701	1	0	360	1,790	2,894

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		3								
NORTHWEST	29	71	21	126	13	7	9	4	306	1,223
CA-NORTHERN	28	17	24	41	5	1	3	5	627	321
CA-SOUTHERN	37	19	27	90	5	5	7	2	208	105
NORTHERN	#234	52	142	68	#73	3			#2,106	180
GB-EASTERN	#198	18	110	59	#34	8			#1,310	#543
GB-WESTERN			2		1					
SOUTHWEST	2		9		2					
ROCKY MTN	5		46		5					
EASTERN*										
SOUTHERN			9						3	1
USA	533	180	390	384	138	24	19	11	4,560	2,373

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	62	76	51	15	361	7	572
NORTHWEST	390	259	11	128	1,848	1,675	4,311
CA-NORTHERN	94	40	3	60		800	997
CA-SOUTHERN		100		24	2,744	597	3,465
NORTHERN	342	44		61	1,404	2,327	4,178
GB-EASTERN	85	696		36	379	1,178	2,374
GB-WESTERN		475		1	83	167	726
SOUTHWEST	1,471	379	17	210	1,627	2,527	6,231
ROCKY MTN	665	688		82	569	653	2,657
EASTERN	324			53	9,635	498	10,510
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,377	661	21,155
USA	3,435	2,757	116	751	39,027	11,090	57,176
5 YEAR AVERAGE							53,892

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,419	48,324	78,685	12,830	43,253	2	229,513
NORTHWEST	65,442	84,763	7,918	4,219	30,876	230,072	423,290

CA-NORTHERN	136	2,745	8,042	4,505		89,113	104,541
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	45,265	65,599	136,936
NORTHERN	6,124	3,711		9,857	28,798	49,038	97,528
GB-EASTERN	1,444	218,373		46	75,278	320,127	615,268
GB-WESTERN		188,684			4,416	14,161	207,261
SOUTHWEST	31,719	119,857	7,683	24,029	215,972	151,998	551,258
ROCKY MTN	21,691	36,364		157	10,841	9,659	78,712
EASTERN	16,399			940	87,345	6,371	111,055
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,663	37,416	453,653
USA	189,386	728,878	118,127	60,361	938,707	973,556	3,009,015
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,070,943

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	3,607	25,305
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	251	234,690
ALBERTA	1	0	712	28,229
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	596	2,403,431
SASKATCHEWAN	4	1	534	525,448
MANITOBA	1	0	474	446,924
ONTARIO	0	60	982	79,367
QUEBEC	0	0	427	115,893
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	71	131	110,627
NEW BRUNSWICK	5	2	295	168
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	190	122
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	18	14
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	144	60,713
TOTALS	14	134	8,361	4,030,931

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