

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1994 -0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Initial attack activity decreased in most areas. Fire activity on large fires in the Great Basin, Northwest and Rocky Mountain Areas continued. Favorable weather conditions on several fires in the Northern Rockies allowed suppression forces to make good progress.

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.

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 Complexes. Six CH-47 helicopters from the A/6-158th Aviation Unit have been reassigned to the Payette NF in Idaho.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. This complex includes the SCENERY, LEIGH CREEK, CHINA BASIN, MCKAY MTN and QUARTZ fires. Crews are making excellent progress on line construction, burnout, and mop-up. Firelines held during periods of gusty winds yesterday. Crews are beginning rehabilitation of suppression impacts on some of the cooler, interior firelines.

LITTLE WOLF, Flathead NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Kohut) is assigned. Star Meadows remains on alert status. Cooler weather and higher humidities aided in containment and mop-up activities.

YAAK-RED DRAGON COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Meuchel) and a Type II Incident Management Team (Bullis) are assigned. Demobilization of the 3-82nd Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division (Lt. Col. Dudley, Commander) is in progress. The complex now has 27 active fires, including the THUNDER HILL, 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISH FRY, FOWLER, GUNSIGHT, BURNT SHEEP, and PINK MTN. Of this total, ten fires have been controlled, fifteen fires contained, and another ten have suppression action well in progress. One fire has not been staffed. Mop-up is slow in many areas due to fuel types.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee), the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, (Lt. Col. Bonwit, Commander) and the 3-11 Field Artillery Battalion, I Corps (Lt. Col. Patterson, Commander) are assigned. This complex consists of the CRIPPLE HORSE, MAXINE, 336, FOWLER, and BANFIELD fires. Firelines held despite gusty winds yesterday. One exception was a slop-over in the Charlie Creek drainage on the Maxine fire. The 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment are scheduled for demobilization on 9/2.

BEAR CAMP, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is assigned. Crews continue to mop-up the large, partially burned areas adjacent to the fire perimeter. The potential continues for unburned areas to flare

up and breach control lines. Structure protection plans for government buildings and residences on Highway 12 remain in place.

ANN, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. Crews continued line construction on the southeast and northeast corners of the fire.

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. One new fire (GRAUMBAUER) will be staffed today.

TROUT CREEK COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) is assigned. The major fires in this complex are: PILLICK RIDGE, LOST GIRL, GOAT ROCKS and DEVIL'S DAD. Excellent progress was made on the Pillick fire. Current expectations are that line construction will be completed by end of shift, today. Other fires in the complex are being monitored on a daily basis.

POWELL COMPLEX, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. This complex includes the FREEZEOUT, FERN CREEK, SPONGE, BIG HIDDEN, HESLIP RIDGE and GOLD MEADOWS fires. Initial attack has been successful on ten of the new fires. The other new fires will be staffed today. Work will begin today on containment of the Heslip fire.

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Glacier NP. Suppression action and management of natural fires are the priorities on this complex. Direct attack by one NPS crew continued on two spot fires east of Starvation Creek. The Adair II fire remains active on the south and east sides. All fires received a trace of rain.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	12,495	65	UNK	1,760	47	61	10	0	9.5M	2.8M
LITTLE WOLF	FNF	MT	15,320	95	8/31	1,669	54	44	7	0	10.3M	9.3M
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	12,280	75	9/2	2,288	60	47	6	0	8.8M	7.8M
KOOCANUSA CX	KNF	MT	10,685	45	9/10	1,269	33	32	5	0	8.2M	4.0M
BEAR CAMP	CWF	ID	510	95	8/31	346	9	12	3	0	UNK	948K
ANN	BRF	MT	2,890	70	9/2	746	26	22	4	0	UNK	2.4M
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	3,500	25	UNK	563	16	5	4	0	UNK	1.9M
TROUT CREEK C	KNF	MT	1,050	63	9/12	138	3	3	2	0	UNK	495K
HIGH ONE	KNF	MT	1,347	100	8/31	185	5	0	0	0	100K	600K
POWELL CMPLX	CWF	ID	12,675	4	UNK	27	0	0	0	0	UNK	623K
NORTH FORK CX	GNP	WY	4,551	0	UNK	49	2	2	1	0	UNK	15K
COOLWATER CX	NPF	ID	630	60	UNK	107	4	1	2	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, 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. No new information was received.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is assigned. No new information was received.

STAR GULCH, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. Work continued on containing the fire west of Brown Creek. Difficulty in containment involves locating all the spot fires within the control lines. The fire gained no acreage yesterday.

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) and the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade (Lt. Col. Brodstrum, Commander). No new information was received.

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Eddy) is assigned. The 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Bostic, Commander) is assigned. The complex consists of the BANNOCK, BEAR RIVER, RABBIT CREEK and NORTH FORK fires. Acreage increase was due to burnout operations, all within the containment lines. The Sawtooth Wilderness remains closed. Structure protection is being implemented in Deer Park, Willow Creek and Swanholm Creek. Higher humidities helped moderate fire activity yesterday.

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. Decreased fire behavior allowed good progress in containing the slopover east of Johnson Creek. Firing of indirect line on the west flank is progressing well, with completion anticipated for today.

PIONEER COMPLEX, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is assigned. This complex consists of the PIONEER CREEK, NORTON RIDGE, NORTON LAKE and NORTON LAKE II fires. The Pioneer fire is in patrol mode. The fires in the vicinity of Norton Ridge are being supported by air. A spike camp is being established.

GUN RANGE, Utah State. Structures are being protected by dozer line.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$ LOST	EST LOSS	COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	76,990	45	UNK	1,223	37	19	7	0	UNK	10.9M	
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	45,500	5	UNK	848	28	46	5	13	UNK	1.6M	
STAR GULCH	BOF	ID	30,570	90	9/3	953	21	25	8	3	UNK	5.8M	
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	46,730	50	UNK	1,006	27	29	7	0	UNK	20M	
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	92,180	65	9/7	1,617	38	38	7	0	121M	29.8M	
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	12,800	40	9/12	756	20	22	7	0	UNK	9M	
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	8,148	75	UNK	178	4	1	5	0	50K	1.4M	
GUN RANGE	UTS	UT	500	60	UNK	45	1	9	0	0	UNK	UNK	
RIMROCK	IFD	ID	730	100		39	0	9	1	0	UNK	UNK	
INDIAN PT	BOF	ID	456	100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Northwest Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Kurth, Area Commander) has been established for the Wallowa-Whitman NF. The Area Command is responsible for all fires on the Forest.

LITTLE MALHEUR COMPLEX, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Andrade) is assigned. This complex consists of the JACKSON and POWDER fires. This complex is located 20 miles south of Unity, OR and is threatening ranches and cultural, historic sites. High winds and low humidities caused long range spotting. Twenty miles of line have been built with 24 miles remaining.

JORDON SPRINGS, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gilpin) is assigned. Erratic winds and extremely dry conditions caused the fire to spot and make runs to the west and northwest.

FREEZEOUT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The fire made major runs to the north and northeast gaining 800 acres in 1 1/2 hours. Some Forest roads are being closed in coordination with the Harney County Sheriff. Potential threats are to residents within 1 mile, Pine Creek School and radio facilities.

TWIN LAKES, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) is assigned. The fire is burning 12 miles north of Halfway, OR and is threatening Russell Lookout, Fish Lake, Indian Crossing campground and Lick Creek Guard Station. The fire is active on 100% of the perimeter, with most activity on the south end, along the ridge southeast of Fish Lake.

THOMASON COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Duke) is assigned. This complex is comprised of the ALDER CREEK, VANCE, HOLLOW LOG, GILL RANCH, YANDALL and CAYUSE RIDGE fires.

SHARP, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. The fire is located 26 miles north of Prairie City, OR.

BALDY, Oregon State. A State Team (Shults) is assigned. This fire is located 12 miles south southwest of Baker City.

POTATOE FLAT, Ochoco NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lindsey) is assigned. Four of the five fires are controlled. Rehab is starting.

HATCHERY COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. Mop-up, patrol and rehab continues.

GREEN BASIN, Oregon State. This fire is located near Lostine. Fireline explosives are being utilized to close and improve the line.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
NAME					CTN	CTN	PERS			LOST	LOSS	COST
L. MALHEUR CX	MAF	OR	10,100	40	9/2	391	9	24	2	UNK	19M	5M
JORDON SPRNGS	MAF	OR	4,200	25	9/3	149	4	3	0	0	UNK	200K
FREEZEOUT	WWF	OR	4,000	UNK	UNK	80	3	4	0	UNK	UNK	UNK
TWIN LAKES	WWF	OR	8,340	0	UNK	136	5	3	1	UNK	UNK	UNK
THOMASON CMPX	WWF	OR	4,203	20	UNK	139	3	4	0	0	UNK	UNK
SHARP	UMF	OR	170	30	UNK	148	5	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
BALDY	ORS	OR	585	80	UNK	230	6	24	1	0	UNK	275K
POTATOE FLAT	OCF	OR	150	90	8/31	122	3	8	1	UNK	UNK	90K
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	43,463	99	8/31	197	6	4	3	19	UNK	23.1M

GREEN BASIN	ORS OR	303	90	8/30	252	9	14	5	0	UNK	138K
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Rocky Mountain Area Large Fires:

ROW, Grand Teton NP. A Type I Incident Management Team (Shaw) is assigned. The fire burned from sage into mixed conifers, creating several flare-ups that were suppressed by retardant drops. Seven structures in addition to the Pfeiffer Homestead, consisting of 4 historic buildings have been destroyed. Several homes just outside of the line are threatened.

FRAMUS, Craig District, BLM. High winds caused the fire to rapidly spread in heavy Pinon-Juniper and Sage. Threats are to powerlines, FAA microwave tower and structures within 2 miles.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST COST
ROW	GTP	WY	2,300	25	9/7	UNK	16	6	3	11	UNK	UNK
FRAMUS	CRD	CO	500	5	9/2	UNK	2	7	0	0	UNK	UNK

Southwest Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST COST
BRONCO	TNF	AZ	300	95	8/30	73	4	0	0	0	UNK	24K
HOLY JOE	AZS	AZ	125	100		4		0	0	0	UNK	3K

South Zone - California Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST COST
BIG CREEK	SNF	CA	5,250	100		1,682	53	103	6	0	UNK	6.3M

North Zone - California Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST COST
SUGARFOOT	MNF	CA	2,788	100		573	14	32	6	0	UNK	1.5M

Western Great Basin Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST COST
PORPHYRY	WID	NV	6,115	100		234	9	14	1	0	UNK	UNK

Outlook: A RED FLAG WATCH has been posted for southwest and south-central Oregon for thunderstorms. An upper level trough of low pressure will move into the Pacific Northwest and the Great Basin Areas. This trough will produce widely scattered thunderstorms from the Washington and Oregon Cascades eastward into Idaho and western Wyoming. A cold front will drop southward

through eastern Colorado and northeast New Mexico. Behind the front, a cool Canadian surface high pressure system will cover most of Montana, Wyoming, and eastern Colorado. A dry southwesterly flow of air will push into southern California and western Arizona. Southwest winds will be on the increase from northern California and Nevada into central Idaho. Large fires will continue to burn actively in Idaho and eastern Oregon. There is a good possibility of additional fire starts resulting from scattered thundershowers.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					2		2
NORTHWEST				1	4	13	18
CA-NORTHERN						1	1
CA-SOUTHERN					32	2	34
NORTHERN	2				9	8	19
GB-EASTERN		5			2	10	17
GB-WESTERN		0					0
SOUTHWEST					2	13	15
ROCKY MTN	1	8				3	12
EASTERN					4	1	5
SOUTHERN					7		7
USA	3	13		1	62	51	130

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					0		0
NORTHWEST				18	5	2	25
CA-NORTHERN					188		188
CA-SOUTHERN					106	25	131
NORTHERN	82				501	382	965
GB-EASTERN		955			130	26	1,111
GB-WESTERN		3,615					3,615
SOUTHWEST					165	4	169
ROCKY MTN		352					352
EASTERN					2	0	2
SOUTHERN					14		14
USA	82	4,922		0	18	923	6,572

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		3								
NORTHWEST	43	64	40	105	22	7	6	4	409	1,169
CA-NORTHERN	27	4	30	11	2	3			170	209
CA-SOUTHERN	29	21	33	70	5				200	110
NORTHERN	#246	29	184	37	71	3			2005	138
GB-EASTERN	#159	17	126	72	39	8			1232	504

GB-WESTERN		9	13	1		1			10	
SOUTHWEST	4								5	1
ROCKY MTN	14		46		7		3		53	5
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	522	147	472	296	146	22	9	4	4,134	2,136

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

* No reports received.

#Includes military

FIRE: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	62	76	51	15	361	7	572
NORTHWEST	395	266	11	132	1,873	1,749	4,426
CA-NORTHERN	94	41	3	55		804	997
CA-SOUTHERN		100		24	2,809	604	3,537
NORTHERN	361	45		61	1,425	2,404	4,296
GB-EASTERN	85	715		36	429	1,200	2,465
GB-WESTERN		477		1	83	167	728
SOUTHWEST	1,471	379	17	219	1,629	2,561	6,276
ROCKY MTN	670	701		85	569	658	2,683
EASTERN	324			53	9,639	498	10,514
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,390	661	21,168
USA	3,464	2,800	116	762	39,207	11,313	57,382
5 YEAR AVERAGE							57,662

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,419	48,324	78,768	12,830	43,254	2	229,597
NORTHWEST	65,438	84,821	7,918	4,239	63,205	259,938	485,559
CA-NORTHERN	136	2,845	8,042	4,505		89,701	105,229
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	45,534	67,713	139,319
NORTHERN	6,420	3,715		9,857	29,306	55,493	104,791
GB-EASTERN	1,444	227,348		46	85,695	328,640	643,173
GB-WESTERN		194,809			4,416	14,161	213,386
SOUTHWEST	31,719	119,857	7,683	24,030	215,972	152,155	551,416
ROCKY MTN	21,721	36,641		2,257	10,841	9,669	81,129
EASTERN	16,399			940	87,347	6,371	111,057
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,691	37,416	453,681
USA	189,708	744,417	118,210	62,482	982,261	1,021,259	3,118,337
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,182,450

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	3,645 25,480

YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	251	233,689
ALBERTA	2	0	716	28,230
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	26,951	601	2,454,851
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	538	525,449
MANITOBA	0	0	474	446,924
ONTARIO	0	0	983	79,367
QUEBEC	0	0	427	115,893
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	0	137	110,629
NEW BRUNSWICK	6	0	304	167
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	190	122
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	18	14
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	144	60,713
TOTALS	13	26,951	8,428	4,081,528

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