

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1994 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Initial attack activity increased in several of the western geographic areas. Large fires in the Eastern Great Basin continued to burn actively. Good progress continued to be made on several fires in the Northern Rockies.

NICC has tasked the Sixth Army for an eighth battalion of military firefighters for the Eastern Great Basin Area.

The demand for Type I helicopters continues to exceed the private sector capacity. The Multi-Agency Coordination Group at NIFC requests the continued support of U.S. Military helicopters currently tasked by the Sixth Army.

Colonel Chip Leonard, USA, is the Task Force Commander of two Battalions and two Aviation Units assigned to the Corral Creek and Blackwell fires and the Idaho City Complex. Colonel Joseph Leigh, USA, is the Task Force Commander of two Battalions assigned to the Little Wolf fire and the Koocanusa Complex.

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Wagenfehr, Area Commander) is in place 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, 555th Engineer Brigade, (Lt. Col. Perrenot, Commander) are assigned. Increased southwest winds caused the fire to gain 1,220 acres yesterday.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is assigned. Burnout operations were conducted to protect structures at Elk Creek Range and South Fork Guard Station.

STAR GULCH, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. Mop-up continued on spot fires. The fire did not gain any acreage yesterday.

BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Harbour) is assigned. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander), the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade (Lt. Col. Brodstrum, Commander) and the A/6-158th Aviation Unit, USAR. The fire continued to move up Victor Creek with 100 foot flame lengths. A town meeting was held in Secesh to explain suppression and structure protection to the community.

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. The Rabbit fire continued to burn very actively on the east flank with extended runs and spotting on the northwest flank. Evacuation and structural protection is still in effect in the Sawtooth Wilderness, Johnson Creek, Graham Bridge Campground and Guard Station, Deer Park, Willow Creek and Swanholm Creek.

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. Fire activity increased with small slopovers and intense burning of interior islands. Structure protection is in place for Wapiti Ranch and other dwellings in the area. A firefighter is in stable condition at the McCall Hospital after being hit by a branch from a falling tree.

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.

CUDDY POINT, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) has been ordered. The complex consists of 3 fires, which have been initial attacked by resources from other large fires on the forest.

GUN RANGE, Utah State. Strong, shifting winds have caused containment problems.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	84,595	45	UNK	1,406	38	26	7	0	UNK	12.3M
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	52,000	5	UNK	785	28	44	5	15	UNK	2.6M
STAR GULCH	BOF	ID	30,570	95	9/2	599	17	6	7	3	UNK	6.7M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	46,800	50	UNK	901	23	28	6	0	UNK	20M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	96,500	65	UNK	1,714	40	44	6	0	127M	29.8M
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	14,384	40	9/12	752	20	22	8	0	UNK	9.0M
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	8,223	75	UNK	198	5	1	5	0	50K	3.9M
CUDDY POINT	PAF	ID	100	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
DROLLINGER	BOD	ID	500	50	9/2	70	2	5	2	0	10K	120K
MURPHY RIDGE	UTS	UT	400	40	9/2	40	0	5	0	0	UNK	UNK
GUN RANGE	UTS	UT	1,200	90	9/2	121	5	7	2	0	20K	UNK

#### Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Kitchens, Area Commander) is in place 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.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. The major fires in the complex are: SCENERY, LEIGH CREEK, CHINA BASIN, MCKAY MTN and QUARTZ. Two small fires were discovered and staffed about 2 miles north of the Quartz #3. A Type I helicopter went down into a lake at about noon yesterday. The crew escaped without serious injury.

YAAK-RED DRAGON COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Meuchel) and two Type II Incident Management Teams (Bullis and Hancock) are assigned. The major fires in the complex are: THUNDER HILL, 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISH FRY, FOWLER, GUNSIGHT, BURNT SHEEP, and PINK MTN. Moderate temperatures, higher humidities and calmer weather conditions have allowed for effective suppression.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee), 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. Line construction is progressing. Indirect line and burnout operations are in progress on the North Fork/Fowler. Demob of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment is in progress.

ANN, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. Crews continued to make excellent progress. The fireline is almost tied in and mop-up is progressing well. Lower temperatures and higher humidities have contributed to successful suppression efforts. Most of the spot fires identified by Infrared have been located and mopped up.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is assigned. Groshong's Team has also taken over management of the Trout Creek Complex. This complex consists of the GRAUMBAUER, SPRUCE, SURVEY, DRIFT, WILLARD, and WILL DO fires.

TROUT CREEK COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is now managing this complex in addition to the Cabinet Complex. The major fires in this complex are: PILLICK RIDGE, LOST GIRL, GOAT ROCKS and DEVIL'S DAD. The Pillick fire has been contained.

POWELL COMPLEX, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. This complex includes the FREEZEOUT, FERN CREEK, SPONGE, EAST BEAVER, BIG HIDDEN, HESLIP RIDGE and GOLD MEADOWS fires. Resources are initial attacking new lightning starts and a possible spot east of Freezeout. A crew constructed line on the Heslip fire and work continued on a spot outside the line of the Big Hidden.

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Glacier NP. Control was completed on 2 of the largest spot fires. Burnout operations progressed well on the Howling fires.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	12,845	70	UNK	1,560	39	59	10	0	9.5M	4M
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	11,740	80	9/15	1,600	44	43	6	0	9.6M	11.9M
KOOCANUSA CX	KNF	MT	10,685	65	9/10	1,277	36	27	5	0	8.2M	4.8M
ANN	BRF	MT	2,890	93	9/2	807	30	22	4	0	UNK	3M
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	3,500	25	UNK	579	18	0	4	0	UNK	2.3M
TROUT CREEK C	KNF	MT	1,160	65	unk	82	3	5	2	0	UNK	615K
POWELL CMPLX	CWF	ID	13,720	4	UNK	82	3	0	3	0	UNK	724K
NORTH FORK CX	GNP	WY	46761	60	UNK	47	2	2	3	0	UNK	918K
COOLWATER CX	NPF	ID	705	100		128	5	0	3	0	UNK	232K

#### 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.

JORDON SPRINGS, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gilpin) is assigned. Additional crews have had a tremendously positive impact.

LITTLE MALHEUR COMPLEX, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Andrade) is assigned. This complex consists of the JACKSON, POWER and IRONSIDE fires. The Power fire was contained yesterday. A State Team (Shultes) under unified command is also assigned to the Ironside fire. Significant progress was made in mop-up of fire trails on the Ironside fire.

FREEZEOUT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The FREEZEOUT and GRANITE fires are being managed together by Bailey's Team. The Granite fire is burning on the Idaho side of Hell's Canyon Wilderness. No crews are on the fire. Strong, erratic winds occurred on the Freezeout fire causing it to cross control lines, however, only moderate torching and spotting occurred.

TWIN LAKES, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) is assigned. The fire remained active. A significant acreage increase is probable due to fire spread into bug-killed timber on the southeast section of the fire.

THOMASON COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Duke) is assigned. This complex is comprised of the VANCE, HOLLOW LOG, GILL RANCH, YANDALL and CAYUSE RIDGE fires. The Alder Creek fire has been turned over to Oregon State as part of the Wallowa Complex. All fires are lined and line reinforcement and burn-out remain to be completed.

SHARP, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. Higher humidities allowed crews to pile and burn fuels adjacent to the fireline. This has assisted operations in making significant gains towards containment.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
JORDON SPRNGS	MAF	OR	6,170	50	9/3	770	27	16	0	0	UNK	525K
L. MALHEUR CX	MAF	OR	15,690	80	9/3	1,503	53	49	7	0	19M	1.7M
FREEZEOUT	WWF	OR	13,000	0	UNK	510	19	6	6	0	UNK	793K
TWIN LAKES	WWF	OR	9,890	0	UNK	305	9	9	2	0	UNK	420K
THOMASON CMPX	WWF	OR	1,820	50	9/3	261	7	13	0	0	UNK	278K
SHARP	UMF	OR	170	90	9/2	376	7	9	2	0	UNK	350K
WALLOWA	ORS	OR	303	100		252	9	14	5	0	UNK	258K
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	43,463	100		193	6	3	3	19	UNK	23.3M

#### Rocky Mountain Area Large Fires:

ROW, Grand Teton NP. A Type I Incident Management Team (Shaw) is assigned. The fire received rain yesterday and is looking good. Demobilization is expected to begin today and be complete by Sunday.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
ROW	GTP	WY	3,370	90	9/2	UNK	16	6	3	7	UNK	UNK
FRAMUS	CRD	CO	922	100		UNK	2	4	0	0	UNK	UNK

#### Southwest Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
BRONCO	TNF	AZ	300	100	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

#### North Zone - California Large Fires:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
NELSON	SUD	CA	2,570	100		45	2	1	0	0	UNK	UNK

Outlook: RED FLAG WARNINGS AND WATCHES are posted for strong winds in southeast Nevada, Washington Cascade Valleys, eastern Washington, eastern Oregon and south and central Idaho. A RED FLAG WATCH is posted in south and central Idaho for widely scattered thunderstorms. A strong, fast moving upper level disturbance will move into the Northwest today. Although the system could produce some moisture and possible thunderstorms, the main feature will be gusty west winds. Much cooler marine air will push into Washington and Oregon, the high pressure will allow strong gradients to develop across eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, Idaho, western Wyoming and Nevada. Isolated thunderstorms producing lightning will heighten fire weather concerns in these areas. Elsewhere, thunderstorms may develop over the remainder of Wyoming and Nevada, Colorado, Utah and Montana. California will experience gusty winds and isolated showers as the upper level system moves into the Pacific Northwest. Thundershowers should develop over the mountains of Arizona and New Mexico as warm, moist air continues to move into the area. Increased activity is expected on large fires due to red flag conditions. Initial activity will continue with the potential for escaped fires.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		2	0		1		3
NORTHWEST	1	1		1	3	10	16
CA-NORTHERN						2	2
CA-SOUTHERN					22	4	26
NORTHERN	1			1	3	5	10
GB-EASTERN		13			8	34	55
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST				1	2	1	4
ROCKY MTN		17		5		6	28
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					6		6
USA	2	33	0	8	45	62	150

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		1	7,825		1,410		9,236
NORTHWEST	1	0		0	2	1	4
CA-NORTHERN						0	0
CA-SOUTHERN					0	1	1
NORTHERN	1			0	0	0	1
GB-EASTERN		12			426	134	572
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST				0	11	0	11
ROCKY MTN		6		1		2	9
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					20		20

USA	2	19	7,825	1	1,869	138	9,854
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RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	78	98	52	132	23	7	8	4	579	619
CA-NORTHERN	12	11	27	8	2	6	1		200	197
CA-SOUTHERN	3		61		2					
NORTHERN	#186	14	136	18	73	3			#1,255	92
GB-EASTERN	#155	21	101	89	39	9			#1,264	657
GB-WESTERN					2					
SOUTHWEST	1		9		1					
ROCKY MTN	16	1	3	6	8		4		80	15
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	451	145	389	253	150	25	13	4	3,378	1,580

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	78	52	15	365	7	579
NORTHWEST	394	270	11	133	1,894	1,769	4,471
CA-NORTHERN	94	42	3	55		817	1,011
CA-SOUTHERN		100		24	2,854	611	3,589
NORTHERN	362	45		67	1,429	2,398	4,301
GB-EASTERN	86	741		36	436	1,243	2,542
GB-WESTERN		479		1	83	167	730
SOUTHWEST	1,476	379	17	223	1,632	2,591	6,318
ROCKY MTN	672	730		89	609	683	2,783
EASTERN	324			53	9,639	498	10,514
SOUTHERN	2		35	81	20,398	661	21,177
USA	3,472	2,864	118	777	39,339	11,445	58,015
5 YEAR AVERAGE							54,602

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,419	48,325	86,559	12,830	44,663	2	238,798
NORTHWEST	65,439	83,832	7,918	4,231	62,048	256,145	479,613
CA-NORTHERN	136	5,415	8,042	4,505		89,714	107,812
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	45,544	67,755	139,371
NORTHERN	6,421	3,715		10,735	29,306	53,872	104,049
GB-EASTERN	1,444	229,496		46	85,754	350,624	667,364
GB-WESTERN		194,827			4,416	14,161	213,404
SOUTHWEST	31,723	119,857	7,683	24,030	215,852	152,176	551,321
ROCKY MTN	22,003	36,669		3,356	11,913	10,417	82,358

EASTERN	16,399			940	87,347	6,371	111,057
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,712	37,416	453,702
USA	189,996	748,193	126,001	64,451	983,555	1,038,653	3,150,871
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,204,898

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	38	149	3,734	25,977
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	264	234,700
ALBERTA	6	13	724	28,242
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	320	603	2,498,339
SASKATCHEWAN	2	522	548	529,065
MANITOBA	1	57	477	446,981
ONTARIO	0	0	984	79,353
QUEBEC	0	0	428	115,892
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	56	137	110,685
NEW BRUNSWICK	4	4	317	168
NOVA SCOTIA	1	0	193	125
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	18	14
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	146	60,713
TOTALS	53	1,121	8,573	4,130,254

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