

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 1994 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

Current Situation: Initial attack activity continued, but it was not as intense as the last couple of days. Several large fires continued to display active fire behavior, due to the hot, and very dry conditions. Mobilization of resources through NICC continued to increase.

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

WARD MOUNTAIN, Bitterroot NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The fire is threatening 30 homes and numerous outbuildings 4 1/2 miles southwest of Hamilton, MT.

ROBINSON, Yellowstone NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hancock) is assigned. Moderate winds, low humidities and low fuel moisture have caused erratic and extreme fire behavior. The spike camp was again threatened and relocated. Two structures are threatened, one of which has historical significance.

SIAM, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. The fire burned actively through the night, pushed by strong winds. Torching, spotting and running continued. Unseasonably warm night-time temperatures, coupled with poor humidity recovery are contributing to the active burning.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) is assigned. An estimated 1,800 acres have burned since the fire escaped on 9/25.

CABINET COMPLEX, KOOTENAI NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. The Roberts fire escaped, due to torching within the interior on 9/25. The Smith Peak fire is also active.

PETER'S RIDGE, Montana State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. Fire activity has moderated, due to light cloud cover and cooler temperatures. The fire is burning in heavy fuels with poor access.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL CTN	CRW PERS	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
WARD MOUNTAIN	BRF	MT	400	0	UNK	278	10	3	0	UNK	UNK	80K
ROBINSON	YNP	WY	4,300	55	UNK	321	11	1	4	UNK	UNK	1.5M
SIAM	CWF	ID	1,514	0	UNK	357	11	4	5	0	UNK	290K
KOOCANUSA CPX	KNF	MT	13,520	90	UNK	89	3	3	1	UNK	UNK	9.1M
CABINET CMPLX	KNF	MT	4,000	77	UNK	146	7	0	1	0	UNK	3.7M
PETER'S RIDGE	MTS	MT	100	0	UNK	44	1	0	1	UNK	UNK	UNK

Northwest Area Large Fires:

SPRIGNETTE BUTTE, Oregon State. A State Team (Mair) is assigned. Crews made major progress in containing the fire, by strengthening lines and holding the difficult northwest corner. Major mop-up is in progress.

FOX POINT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. Standley Guard Station appears to be secure at the present time. Contingencies are being developed for Bear Creek Guard Station. Extreme fire behavior yesterday afternoon necessitated that crews retreat to safety zones. Winds pushed the fire in continuous fuels to the east and north, out of the wilderness. All fireline constructed was lost yesterday afternoon.

REED, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is assigned. The fire is burning actively, threatening structures at Duprat Springs and Tempest Mine.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
SPRIGNETTE BT	ORS	OR	1,510	92	9/27	937	37	34	3	0	UNK	1.2M
FOX POINT	WWF	OR	2,000	9	UNK	300	7	0	5	0	UNK	180K
REED	MAF	OR	1,000	20	UNK	400	14	8	3	0	UNK	283K

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is assigned. The fire continued to be active, gaining 1,045 acres. The fire moved south towards summer homes in Paradise Valley. Air support and crews worked hard on this area yesterday. The powerline to Yellow Pine was kept from burning. Low humidity and reasonably warm temperatures led to isolated torching and short crowning runs.

CORRAL CREEK/BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is assigned. The fire crossed Warren Wagon Road north of Upper Payette Lake. The road has been closed intermittently due to fire behavior and safety concerns. Loggers in the area had to move their logging equipment. A two mile run on the Corral fire, resulted in the loss of an identified confinement line. Extreme burning conditions resulted in active crowning runs. Fire activity increased significantly throughout the complex.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. The fire increased 1,000 acres, mostly on the northern flank. Crews are being placed at ranches on the lower South Fork of the Salmon River and Chamberlain Basin for structure protection. The smoke inversion lifted, causing active fire behavior on all fronts. Progress was made in containing the fire north of Sheep Creek.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	25,153	75	10/15	553	14	4	9	0	20M	18.2M
CORRAL/BLACK	PAF	ID	154,210	67	10/12	529	10	18	12	0	UNK	42.3M
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	97,675	53	UNK	354	10	5	8	15	UNK	12.4M

North Zone - California Large Fires:

SPECIMEN, Klamath NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Phenix) is assigned. The fire made late afternoon runs in the upper reaches of Specimen Creek. The runs were within the expected containment lines. Fire activity within the wilderness increased slightly.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
SPECIMEN	KNF	CA	5,915	40	9/29	1,019	38	44	11	0	UNK	2.1M

Alaska Incidents:

KOYUKUK FLOOD, Alaska State. A Type I Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. The support operation in Fairbanks is receiving and distributing supplies to the areas affected by the flood. Building reconstruction, cleaning, debris removal and woodcutting continue.

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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
KOYUKUK FLOOD	AKS	AK			10/31	UNK	10	0	1	38	UNK	5M

Outlook: The warm, dry ridge of upper level high pressure continues to dominate the weather in the West. The upper level low pressure system over the California coast will continue to spread moisture into western California. California and southwest Oregon will be mostly sunny with isolated afternoon thunderstorms. Eastern Montana will be dry and sunny with gusty west winds, up to 30 MPH, along the east slopes of the Rocky Mountains. The remainder of the West will be warm and dry. Fire activity is expected to continue as hot, dry weather prevails.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST	1				7	3	11
CA-NORTHERN						5	5
CA-SOUTHERN					43		43
NORTHERN	2				5	10	17
GB-EASTERN		1			5	3	9
GB-WESTERN		1				4	5
SOUTHWEST	1				1	3	5
ROCKY MTN		1					1
EASTERN					2		2
SOUTHERN					22		22
USA	4	3	0	0	85	28	120

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST	30					904	934
CA-NORTHERN					1	731	732
CA-SOUTHERN					65		65
NORTHERN	67				275	1,008	1,350
GB-EASTERN		150			11	4	165
GB-WESTERN						2	2

SOUTHWEST	5						5
ROCKY MTN		50					50
EASTERN					1		1
SOUTHERN					96		96
USA	102	200	0	0	449	2,649	3,400

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		10				1			68	201
NORTHWEST	63	60	59	51	23		7		354	286
CA-NORTHERN	55	36	54	15	13			2	231	321
CA-SOUTHERN	1		12		5					
NORTHERN	41	2	23		12				285	25
GB-EASTERN	36	8	17	14	25	#14			376	327
GB-WESTERN			1							
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	196	116	166	80	78	15	7	2	1,314	1,160

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

Includes military

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	62	78	56	15	388	7	606
NORTHWEST	428	258	11	149	2,168	1,965	4,979
CA-NORTHERN	99	44	3	72		1,079	1,297
CA-SOUTHERN		159		39	3,624	795	4,617
NORTHERN	393	104		94	1,525	2,644	4,760
GB-EASTERN	90	839		39	510	1,468	2,946
GB-WESTERN		541		1	101	224	867
SOUTHWEST	1,489	407	17	250	1,661	2,786	6,610
ROCKY MTN	758	853		98	632	754	3,095
EASTERN	324			53	9,646	411	10,434
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,492	666	21,275
USA	3,645	3,283	121	891	40,747	12,799	61,486
5 YEAR AVERAGE							59,330

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,417	50,615	100,913	12,830	45,052	2	255,829
NORTHWEST	65,691	88,771	7,918	4,251	106,706	284,328	557,665
CA-NORTHERN	137	5,416	8,042	4,506		138,274	156,375
CA-SOUTHERN		29,944		17	50,758	69,751	150,470
NORTHERN	73,013	11,552		19,430	37,280	114,637	255,912
GB-EASTERN	1,445	244,927		46	93,555	532,204	872,177
GB-WESTERN		197,020			4,421	14,147	215,588

SOUTHWEST	31,638	124,174	7,683	24,763	218,215	154,673	561,146
ROCKY MTN	25,470	38,648		2,436	12,937	15,567	95,058
EASTERN	16,399			940	87,352	4,624	109,315
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,998	37,402	453,974
USA	260,222	791,067	140,355	70,982	1,053,274	1,365,609	3,683,509
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,334,466

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	*	3,914 26,437
YUKON TERRITORY	*	253 268,281
ALBERTA	*	766 28,607
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	*	615 2,999,731
SASKATCHEWAN	*	649 566,395
MANITOBA	*	535 1,008,303
ONTARIO	*	1,004 83,358
QUEBEC	*	441 115,917
NEWFOUNDLAND	*	142 110,550
NEW BRUNSWICK	*	347 174
NOVA SCOTIA	*	209 130
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	*	22 16
NATIONAL PARKS	*	149 73,480
TOTALS	*	9,046 5,281,379

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