

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 1994 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

Current Situation: Initial attack activity continued throughout the West. Large fires continued to burn actively, as hot and dry conditions prevailed. Resource mobilization through NICC has moderated.

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

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

SIAM, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. The fire continued to burn actively under light winds. Lines constructed adjacent to private lands are holding. The fire is now burning in the Clearwater and Lolo National Forests, and the proposed Great Burn Wilderness.

PETER'S RIDGE, Montana State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. Good progress was made in line construction, while aerial support checked the fire's spread. Snags and rolling debris provide potential for downhill spread.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bosworth) is assigned. Low humidities and high winds caused acreage increases on the China Basin and McKay fires. Poor access is hampering control efforts on both fires.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. Sixteen of the fires in the complex are now controlled, with the remaining fires being monitored by air. Snag hazards are limiting suppression efforts to daylight only.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) is assigned. Lines constructed along the northern edge continue to be tested by the fire. High winds led to a 900 acre increase on the Webb Knob fire.

ROBINSON, Yellowstone NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hancock) is assigned. Warm temperatures, low humidities and low fuel moisture continue to cause extreme fire behavior. A campground and three structures, two of which have historical significance, remain threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
WARD MOUNTAIN	BRF	MT	600	20	9/30	386	12	3	0	UNK	UNK	759K
SIAM	CWF	ID	1,646	5	UNK	416	13	5	5	0	UNK	504K
PETER'S RIDGE	MTS	MT	135	33	9/29	176	5	0	4	UNK	UNK	105K
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	13,220	90	UNK	61	2	2	1	UNK	UNK	5.7M
CABINET CMPLX	KNF	MT	3,972	81	UNK	320	9	11	1	0	UNK	3.8M
KOOCANUSA CPX	KNF	MT	14,320	90	UNK	510	20	6	1	UNK	UNK	9.1M
ROBINSON	YNP	WY	5,000	55	UNK	379	13	1	4	UNK	UNK	1.6M

Northwest Area Large Fires:

REED, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is assigned. The fire continues to burn to the north and east, towards structures at Dupratt Springs, Tempest Mine and Lemon Cabin. Crews, supported by helicopters, made good progress on line construction.

FOX POINT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. The fire remained active through the night. Extreme burning conditions were experienced mid-afternoon. A structure crew worked on securing the Bear Creek Guard Station. The decrease in acreage is due to better mapping.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL CTN	CRW PERS	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
REED	MAF	OR	1,987	30	UNK	684	24	18	3	0	UNK	650K
FOX POINT	WWF	OR	1,800	10	UNK	362	13	0	5	0	UNK	327K
SPRIGNETTE BT	ORS	OR	1,510	100		855	35	34	3	0	UNK	1.4M

ORS = Oregon State

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 624 acres. The burnout operation along the Paradise Valley Summer Home Road was successful. Good progress was made above the Wapiti and Cox ranches.

CORRAL CREEK/BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is assigned. The Corral fire has burned into the Blackwell fire perimeter and continues to burn south on both sides of the North Fork of the Payette River. Warren Road remains closed intermittently, due to fire behavior and safety concerns. Fire activity was intense, with spotting and crowning runs of 1 to 2 miles.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. The fire gained 945 acres, mainly on the north and east flanks. A smoke inversion again hampered air operations. Crews remain in place at the lower South Fork of the Salmon River and Chamberlain Basin for structure protection. The fire was active on multiple fronts, however, the effects of the inversion reduced extreme fire activity.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL CTN	CRW PERS	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	25,777	76	10/15	614	17	5	9	0	22M	18.7M
CORRAL/BLACK	PAF	ID	156,813	67	10/12	563	11	38	7	0	UNK	42.7M
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	98,620	54	UNK	354	10	5	7	15	UNK	12.7M

North Zone - California Large Fires:

SPECIMEN, Klamath NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Phenix) is assigned. Up-canyon winds switched from east to west, forcing crews to retreat from the fireline. Gusty winds and poor access continue to hamper suppression efforts. Activity is expected to increase today due to stronger up-canyon winds.

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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
SPECIMEN	KNF	CA	5,915	50	10/1	942	35	38	10	0	UNK	2.7M

Rocky Mountain Area Large Fires:

RAYMOND MOUNTAIN, Rock Springs District, BLM. This human caused fire began on private land and spread onto a BLM Wilderness Study Area. It is located near the town of Cokeville, WY. Strong winds, low humidities, dry conditions and heavy fuels are hampering suppression efforts.

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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
RAYMOND MTN	RSD	WY	1,400	10	UNK	UNK	2	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK

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	429	10	0	1	38	UNK	5M

Outlook: A RED FLAG WATCH has been posted in southwestern Oregon for thunderstorms with little rain initially. An upper level low pressure system off the California coast will pump moisture into California, Nevada and southern Oregon, possibly triggering thunderstorms. The remainder of the West will remain under the influence of strong upper level high pressure. Fire activity is expected to continue on large fires.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST					2	6	8
CA-NORTHERN						5	5
CA-SOUTHERN					30		30
NORTHERN	1			1	2	3	7
GB-EASTERN		2			2	1	5
GB-WESTERN		2					2
SOUTHWEST						4	4
ROCKY MTN				1		1	2
EASTERN					2		2
SOUTHERN					41	4	45
USA	1	4	0	2	79	24	110

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST	30					1,220	1,250
CA-NORTHERN						1	1
CA-SOUTHERN					60		60
NORTHERN	150				6	1,017	1,173
GB-EASTERN		12			14	5	31
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST						3	3
ROCKY MTN		1,400				4	1,404
EASTERN					1		1
SOUTHERN					172	53	225
USA	180	1,412	0	0	253	2,303	4,148

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	79	58	69	51	20	3	7		362	235
CA-NORTHERN	42	15	34		15				175	121
CA-SOUTHERN	3		12		3					
NORTHERN	71	4	26	2	23	3			473	70
GB-EASTERN	46	6	26	25	19	14			356	309
GB-WESTERN										
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	2		23		1					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	243	93	190	78	81	21	7	0	1,434	936

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	62	78	56	15	388	7	606
NORTHWEST	432	258	11	149	2,185	1,982	5,017
CA-NORTHERN	99	44	3	73		1,078	1,297
CA-SOUTHERN		159		39	3,654	797	4,649
NORTHERN	394	104		95	1,527	2,647	4,767
GB-EASTERN	90	841		39	511	1,476	2,957
GB-WESTERN		543		1	101	224	869
SOUTHWEST	1,586	412	17	250	1,661	2,799	6,725
ROCKY MTN	758	854		99	632	754	3,097
EASTERN	324			53	9,646	411	10,434
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,533	670	21,320
USA	3,747	3,293	121	894	40,838	12,845	61,738
5 YEAR AVERAGE							59,446

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	65,725	88,771	7,918	4,251	107,339	287,336	561,340
CA-NORTHERN	137	5,416	8,042	4,506		138,355	156,456
CA-SOUTHERN		29,944		17	50,818	69,751	150,530
NORTHERN	73,163	11,552		19,430	37,286	124,475	265,906
GB-EASTERN	1,445	244,939		46	93,559	532,404	872,393
GB-WESTERN		197,020			4,421	14,147	215,588
SOUTHWEST	31,667	124,310	7,683	24,763	218,215	154,677	561,315
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	397,170	37,455	454,199
USA	260,435	791,215	140,355	72,982	1,054,149	1,378,793	3,697,929
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,334,787

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	*	3,914
YUKON TERRITORY	*	253
ALBERTA	*	766
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	*	615
SASKATCHEWAN	*	649
MANITOBA	*	535
ONTARIO	*	1,004
QUEBEC	*	441
NEWFOUNDLAND	*	142
NEW BRUNSWICK	*	347
NOVA SCOTIA	*	209
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	*	22
NATIONAL PARKS	*	149
TOTALS	*	9,046

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