

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1995 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

*** THE TEN STANDARD FIRE ORDERS ARE FIRM. ***
*** WE DON'T BREAK THEM; WE DON'T BEND THEM. ***

Current Situation: Moderate initial attack activity continued throughout the West. Initial attack and large fire activity continued in Minnesota. Resource mobilization through NICC decreased yesterday. Telecommunications equipment and personnel have been prepositioned to the East Coast in support of Hurricane Felix.

Eastern Area Large Fires:

SAG CORRIDOR, Superior NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Tarbell) is assigned. The majority of the acreage gain was in Canada yesterday. Both Canadian and U.S. crews were removed from the fireline due to safety concerns. The Unified Command between the U.S. and Canada is proceeding well with outstanding cooperation.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST LOSS	EST COST
SAG CORRIDOR	SUF	MN	9,490	30	8/16	476	10	2	3	0	1M	1.1M

North Zone California Large Fires:

HELESTER, Tahoe NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cones) is assigned. Crews made good progress strengthening the east flank and holding the fire perimeter. Significant demobilization is anticipated today.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST LOSS	EST COST
HELESTER	TNF	CA	624	98	8/15	851	32	11	3	0	3.7M	1.6M

OUTLOOK: ***** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SIERRAS AND CASCADES FOR STRONG WEST TO SOUTHWEST WINDS, LOW HUMIDITY AND HIGH TEMPERATURES ON THE DOWNSLOPE SIDE OF THE MOUNTAINS. A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN NEVADA FOR STRONG PERSISTENT WEST TO SOUTHWEST WINDS. A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR THE WESTERN HALF OF UTAH DUE TO VERY WARM TEMPERATURES, LOW HUMIDITIES AND SOUTH WINDS 10-25 MPH *****

A deep upper level low pressure system will drift south from British Columbia to the Washington coast this afternoon. A cold front will extend from central Montana through central Idaho and into northern California, slowly moving to the southeast today. South to west winds will increase ahead of this system with cooler temperatures and higher humidity behind it. Monsoon moisture will continue over Arizona and New Mexico with scattered wet thunderstorms. Montana, Idaho, the Colorado mountains and southeast Utah will have widely scattered wet thunderstorms. Isolated wet thunderstorms are forecast for Wyoming. Washington and Oregon will have scattered rain showers. High temperatures will range from the upper 70's to mid 90's for the Great Basin and the Rockies. The central valleys of California to the desert Southwest will have highs from 95 to 108 degrees. Northern Minnesota will be under a high pressure system with partly sunny skies and warm, humid conditions. Highs will be in the upper 80's and lower 90's, with 10-15 MPH winds. Moderate fire activity is expected, with the potential for increased activity in northern Minnesota and areas where watches are posted.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					1		1
NORTHWEST		2			9		11
CA-NORTHERN		1			18	5	24
CA-SOUTHERN		1			22	4	27
NORTHERN	1				2	5	8
GB-EASTERN		8			3	8	19
GB-WESTERN		1					1
SOUTHWEST				1	1	18	20
ROCKY MTN		3			2	3	8
EASTERN	1			1		2	4
SOUTHERN			3		29		32
USA	2	16	3	2	87	45	155

* No report.

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					0		0
NORTHWEST		8			10		18
CA-NORTHERN		5			28	52	85
CA-SOUTHERN		0			28	0	28
NORTHERN	10				1	0	11
GB-EASTERN		40			0	2	42
GB-WESTERN		1					1
SOUTHWEST				0	80	27	107
ROCKY MTN		5			0	40	45
EASTERN	2			0		4	6
SOUTHERN			1		61		62
USA	12	59	1	0	208	125	405

* No report.

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	1		4							
CA-NORTHERN	27	8	12	1	8		1		135	16
CA-SOUTHERN			7							
NORTHERN	1				2					
GB-EASTERN	2	1	11	8	5				9	1
GB-WESTERN			1	1						
SOUTHWEST	6		18	2	7				19	
ROCKY MTN			3						10	
EASTERN	13			7	4		2		*	*
SOUTHERN										
USA	50	9	56	19	26	0	3	0	173	17

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

* No report. FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	2	25	13	4	310	6	360

NORTHWEST	181	181	1	21	1,142	612	2,138
CA-NORTHERN	58	22		22	1,136	443	1,681
CA-SOUTHERN	7	153		21	1,824	355	2,360
NORTHERN	169	57	4	16	301	394	941
GB-EASTERN	26	355		9	243	539	1,172
GB-WESTERN		195			40	69	304
SOUTHWEST	1,486	249	14	145	1,273	1,675	4,842
ROCKY MTN	353	283		35	490	223	1,384
EASTERN	343			72	13,744	576	14,735
SOUTHERN	10		46	80	27,550	880	28,566
USA	2,635	1,520	78	425	48,053	5,772	58,483
5 YEAR AVERAGE							53,146

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	90	18,947	3,709	1,595	19,046	1	43,388
NORTHWEST	529	32,152	2,000	5	2,628	1,668	38,982
CA-NORTHERN	46	447		35	4,428	2,819	7,775
CA-SOUTHERN	110	35,984		6,285	75,716	8,115	126,210
NORTHERN	4,549	1,274	223	8	854	983	7,891
GB-EASTERN	257	281,609		202	23,193	3,867	309,128
GB-WESTERN		33,024			2,835	11,860	47,719
SOUTHWEST	53,324	68,738	1,019	11,713	74,958	86,268	296,020
ROCKY MTN	4,273	6,427		166	699	7,974	19,539
EASTERN	5,322			1,118	158,695	18,293	183,428
SOUTHERN	11		15,974	11,893	294,904	31,904	354,686
USA	68,511	478,602	22,925	33,020	657,956	173,752	1,434,766
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,189,791

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	4	35
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0
ALBERTA	5	20
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	1
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0
MANITOBA	0	0
ONTARIO	4	828
QUEBEC	11	0
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0
NEW BRUNSWICK	7	3
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0
TOTALS	33	887

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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