

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1996 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

*** ALL FIREFIGHTERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO A SAFE ASSIGNMENT ***

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack activity persisted throughout the western United States. Suppression forces continued to make headway on large fires in several Areas. Mobilization of resources through NICC stabilized.

Southern California Large Fires:

ACKERSON COMPLEX, Yosemite NP. Type I (Dague) and Type II (Byrd) Incident Management Teams are assigned. The fires included in this complex are the ACKERSON, POOP/NAUT, BIG CREEK, and MIGUEL. All fires burned actively along the Yosemite NP/Stanislaus NF border. Twenty-two historic cabins in Aspen Valley remain threatened.

ROGGE, Stanislaus NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Greenhoe) is assigned. The fire is burning in the Tuolumne River drainage south of Highway 108. Inversion conditions have minimized fire spread in the Clavey drainage. Line construction continues on the west side of the Clavey River. Burnout operations are planned.

KAWEAH, Tulare Ranger Unit, California State and Sequoia Kings NP. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) is assigned. Mop-up on all areas of the fire continued. Demobilization of resources has begun.

CHOLOLLO, Sequoia NF. The fire is burning on the Tule Indian Reservation, east of Springville, CA. Two divisions of this fire burned actively. Burnout operations conducted yesterday were successful.

ORANGE, Riverside Ranger Unit, California State. The fire is east of Cabazon, Ca. The community of Twin Pines is currently threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
ACKERSON CPX	YNP	CA	19,865	15	UNK	2,228	67	101	14	0	17M	15M
ROGGE	STF	CA	23,200	97	8/24	1,483	47	68	9	0	3.7M	37.5M
KAWEAH	TUU	CA	4,479	95	8/24	531	13	6	9	1	100K	2.2M
CHOLOLLO	SQF	CA	2,850	70	9/3	550	23	19	2	0	NR	NR
ORANGE	RRU	CA	548	50	8/23	448	18	13	4	NR	NR	NR
HWY FIFTY-EIGHT	SLU	CA	106,668	100	---	1,700	55	97	6	9	500K	7.5M

Northwest Large Fires:

BULL COMPLEX, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kearney) is assigned. The BULL, SUMMIT, ROCKY, and #104 fires comprise this complex. The Bull and Summit fires experienced growth yesterday due to warmer, drier weather. On the Bull Fire, growth was within the North Fork John Day Wilderness Area. The Desolation Creek drainage and structures

continue to be threatened. TOWER, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. The Tower fire is 17 miles south of Ukiah, OR. Luken's Team will be replaced by another Type II Team today. No other information was received.

SOUTH ZONE COMPLEX, Willamette NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. The complex is 11 miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Five National Guard crews arrived yesterday and they will begin working the fire today. SPRING, Umpqua NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Murphy) is committed. The fire is burning in the Boulder Creek Wilderness, near Toketee Falls, OR. Suppression forces were unable to hold the southeast corner, due to very steep terrain. A burnout to secure the line was done yesterday evening. Private property, and powerlines are currently threatened.

NORTH UMPQUA COMPLEX, Umpqua NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Welch) is assigned. Current threats include a key watershed, threatened species habitat, and private lands are threatened.

WILDCAT COMPLEX, Malheur NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Dubois) is assigned. The fire is 10 miles southeast of John Day, OR. The fire is being suppressed under Unified Command with Oregon State. The complex includes the WILDCAT and GRAHAM fires. Suppression forces made good progress on the Graham Fire. All constructed lines continued to hold even though the weather has turned drier and warmer. Private and industrial lands and structures are threatened.

SALT COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The complex includes the SALT CREEK, DAM, SHEEP CREEK, and HEAVEN'S GATE fires. The fires are burning on the Oregon/Idaho border of the Hells Canyon Recreation Area. Seven crews are spiked out on the Idaho side of the Complex to support a 5,000 acre burnout operation. On the Sheep Creek Fire, the blackline along McCantron Ridge to Stormy Point was successful in holding the fire out of the Wilderness. Threats include the Cold Springs Cow Camp, the Wilderness boundary, and an electronic site.

Two fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 5,148 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
BULL COMPLEX	UMF	OR	7,340	45	UNK	1,372	45	35	8	0	NR	2.8M
TOWER	UMF	OR	5,250	40	UNK	733	25	23	4	0	0	1.3M
SOUTH ZONE CPX	WIF	OR	3,029	80	8/25	1,556	48	50	5	0	0	494K
SPRING	UPF	OR	3,160	70	8/26	713	17	8	6	0	0	1.6M
NORTH UMPQUA	UPF	OR	244	50	UNK	245	10	10	1	0	750K	1.1M
WILDCAT	MAF	OR	10,655	80	8/25	1,012	30	31	9	0	0	5.5M
SALT COMPLEX	WWF	OR	58,780	75	8/25	401	10	0	8	0	0	3.7M

Northern California Large Fires:

FORK, Mendocino NF. An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned. Two Type I Incident Management Teams (Kohut & Loving) are assigned. The 3rd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division (Lt. Col. Bayles, Commander), continued field training yesterday. The Battalion's first line assignment is scheduled for today. The fire is located north of the town of Upper Lake, CA. Line

construction continued with good progress toward Indian Valley Reservoir. Winds were not a problem yesterday. Burnout operations were successful.

MORRIS, Shasta-Trinity NF. The fire is located in an inaccessible area about 12 miles northwest of Weaverville, Ca. There was no perimeter growth reported yesterday. Light mop-up continued.

EAST FORK, Shasta-Trinity NF. The fire is located about 25 miles north of Weaverville, Ca. There was no perimeter growth reported yesterday.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
FORK	MNF	CA	77,490	50	UNK	3,793	130	174	20	3	0	NR
MORRIS	SHF	CA	400	75	8/23	95	3	0	2	0	25K	247K
EAST FORK	SHF	CA	155	75	8/23	51	2	0	2	0	25K	247K

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

DANO, Shoshone NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) is assigned. Suppression forces made good progress on the fire. Private property, timber, and watershed values in Dead Indian Gulch are threatened. Prevention of fire spread into Indian Gulch is the major control objective.

LOGAN CREEK, Casper District, BLM. This fire is located north of Weston, WY. It is burning in Ponderosa pine, pinyon-juniper, grass, and sage. Excellent progress was made in containment. Single Engine Air Tankers were used in suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
DANO	SHF	WY	1,300	20	UNK	246	6	4	3	0	0	145K
LOGAN CREEK	CAD	WY	1,400	95	8/22	66	2	7	0	0	0	UNK
CHAPIN #5	MVP	CO	4,735	100	----	724	23	9	4	0	NR	1.1M

Northern Rockies Large Fires:

SWET/WARRIOR, Nez Perce NF & Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. No new information was received.

Nine fires are in confinement suppression strategy totalling 249 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
SWET/WARRIOR	BRF	MT	29,200	NR	UNK	119	6	0	4	1	NR	246K

Western Great Basin Large Fires:

SHOEMAKE, Ely District, BLM. This fire is located 35 miles southeast of Caliente, Nevada. Observed fire activity included some minor interior runs and burnout of small islands of unburned vegetation.

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SHOEMAKE		ELD NV	20,000	98	8/23	3	0	0	1	0	NR	5K
HORSETHIEF		ELD NV	630 100	----	28	1	1	0	0	NR	150K	

Eastern Great Basin Large Fires:

CUNNINGHAM, Cedar City District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Casey) is assigned. The fire is located 10 miles northwest of Beaver, UT. The fire was very active again yesterday afternoon, with major runs along the entire southern perimeter. Smokey conditions forced the closure of Interstate 15 north of Beaver, UT yesterday. The fire jumped a county highway during a run to the southwest. The town of Beaver, I-15, ranches, a sulfate factory, cattle, powerlines, and residences are threatened. SARAH, Utah State. The fire is located 20 miles northeast of Delta, UT. The fire was contained, but it jumped the containment lines yesterday and burned an additional 1500 acres. Range and grasslands are threatened.

Four fires are in confinement suppression strategy totalling 6,104 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
CUNNINGHAM	CCD	UT	11,770	20	8/23	326	10	15	2	0	0	NR
SARAH	SCS	UT	2,000	20	8/23	53	1	4	1	0	0	62K
3 CREEK WELL	BOD	ID	25,315	100	----	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR

Southwest Large Fires: Five fires are in confinement suppression strategy totalling 2,449 acres.

Alaska Large Fires: Fifteen fires are in a non-suppression status totalling 428,120 acres.

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN NEVADA ***
 *** INCLUDING THE TAHOE BASIN AND IN CENTRAL OREGON FOR DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

Strong upper level high pressure over the western half of the United States combined with a weak upper level trough off of the California coast will spread high level moisture northward across Nevada and California into central Oregon. This combined with hot and unstable conditions will produce widely scattered dry thunderstorms from southern and central Nevada, across the Sierras and valleys of California into central Oregon. Isolated dry thunderstorms are possible in southeast Oregon, southwest Idaho and the southern Cascades of Washington. Extremely dry conditions will persist from the coastal states to Montana. Wet thunderstorms will continue in Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado. High temperatures will range from the mid 80s' and 90s' in the Northern Rockies to 113 in the desert southwest.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			1		2		3

NORTHWEST	4				7	8	19
CA-NORTHERN	1				13	1	15
CA-SOUTHERN				0	0		0
NORTHERN	1				2	14	17
GB-EASTERN		2			3	4	9
GB-WESTERN		2					2
SOUTHWEST	3	1				25	29
ROCKY MTN	3	6		2		4	15
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN							0
USA	12	11	1	2	27	56	109

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					19,880		19,880
NORTHWEST	553				8	691	1,252
CA-NORTHERN	0				55	15	70
CA-SOUTHERN				383	3,216		3,599
NORTHERN	4				0	24	28
GB-EASTERN		9,115			525		9,640
GB-WESTERN		0					0
SOUTHWEST	0	0				5	5
ROCKY MTN	1	3		0		601	605
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN							0
USA	558	9,118	0	383	23,684	1,336	35,079

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources										
RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	124	160	139	44	54		5		1,232	213
CA-NORTHERN	179	31	189	11	33	3	12	2	1,071	12
CA-SOUTHERN	137	86	188	116	25	19				
NORTHERN	24		35	5	11				115	5
GB-EASTERN	3	1	43	4	13		2		50	1
GB-WESTERN	6	3	3	1	3				8	1
SOUTHWEST	2		8							
ROCKY MTN	11		17		10				130	16
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	479	281	622	181	149	22	19	2	2,606	248

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

NR = No report.

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	46	32	6	541	18	649
NORTHWEST	163	329	13	22	1,039	1,065	2,631
CA-NORTHERN	41	50	1	16	1,856	751	2,715
CA-SOUTHERN	7	298	2	247	3,257	846	4,657
NORTHERN	693	66	46	17	381	859	2,062
GB-EASTERN	50	723		19	371	555	1,718
GB-WESTERN		628	3	55	87	192	965
SOUTHWEST	1,136	306	13	79	1,422	2,031	4,987
ROCKY MTN	779	809		64	741	583	2,976
EASTERN	244			61	11,707	341	12,353
SOUTHERN	77		106	93	46,115	1,135	47,526
USA	3,196	3,255	216	679	67,517	8,376	83,239
5 YEAR AVERAGE							57,744

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	16	205,422	133,561	4,379	257,104	168	600,650
NORTHWEST	114,889	160,523	1,556	3	27,131	125,962	430,064
CA-NORTHERN	126	7,459	0	366	13,710	90,060	111,721
CA-SOUTHERN	997	37,388	30	15,229	131,642	79,127	264,413
NORTHERN	14,799	5,701	3,054	162	86,910	59,730	170,356
GB-EASTERN	395	709,421		8,118	63,026	81,881	862,841
GB-WESTERN		189,395	602	284	2,579	11,444	204,304
SOUTHWEST	36,788	10,432	3,155	5,317	73,112	208,130	336,934
ROCKY MTN	24,807	36,212		6,555	31,194	43,284	142,052
EASTERN	566			533	153,989	18,423	173,511
SOUTHERN	1,781		30,084	12,770	1,039,175	42,161	1,125,917
USA	195,164	1,361,953	172,042	53,716	1,879,572	760,370	4,422,817
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,857,313

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES			
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	4	0	1,121
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	144
ALBERTA	0	0	321
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	350
SASKATCHEWAN	0	3	378
MANITOBA	0	0	372
ONTARIO	1	0	1,099
QUEBEC	2	1,299	1,088
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	121
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	288
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	246
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23
NATIONAL PARKS	1	1	65
TOTALS	8	1,300	5,616

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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