

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, JULY 23, 1996 - 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: Large fire activity continued in the Eastern Great Basin. The Rocky Mountain Area experienced increased activity, necessitating the mobilization of two Type II Incident Management Teams. Resource orders for crews, helicopters, equipment and radios were processed through NICC for these Areas.

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

DISAPPOINTMENT, San Juan NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Krugman) has been ordered and will take over the fire this morning. This fire is burning in Ponderosa Pine, Pinyon/Juniper, scrub oak and sage brush approximately 20 miles northwest of Delores, CO. Erratic fire behavior was experienced due to high temperatures and low humidities. Structures, private land, a lookout and range improvements are currently threatened.

TWIN BUTTES, Craig District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hart) was ordered. The fire is burning in heavy Pinyon/Juniper and oak brush fuels 30 miles south of Rangely, CO. The fire burned very actively during the peak burning period with rates of spread observed at 60 to 80 chains per hour. Current threats are to residences, oil and gas improvements and a microwave tower. Firefighter safety is a primary concern. Dry fuels and extreme fire behavior are hampering control efforts.

MOOSEHEAD, Craig District, BLM. This fire is burning in a Wilderness Study Area approximately 15 miles north of Rangely, CO. This fire also burned actively with rates of spread at 60 to 80 chains per hour. Control efforts are hindered by heavy fuel loading and dry fuels.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOST	LOSS	SSS C-T-D
DISAPPOINTMENT	SJF	CO	2,500	20	7/31	73	2	1	2		0	NR	98K
TWIN BUTTES	CRD	CO	850	10	7/25	52	1	10	1		0	NR	NR
MOOSEHEAD	CRD	CO	150	40	7/23	30	1	2	1		0	NR	NR
BIG BEND	CRD	CO	340	100	----	0	0	0	0		0	NR	9K
SQUAW CANYON	MRD	CO	408	100	----	59	2	3	1		0	NR	200K

Eastern Great Basin Large Fires:

WILDCAT, Zion NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Martin) is assigned. The fire is burning approximately 35 miles northeast of St. George, UT. A rapid rate of spread was experienced on the south flank. Burnout operations on the northwest flank were successful in controlling the northern spread. The current threat is to state and private land outside the Park.

Two fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 1,175 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT ZIP	ST UT	SIZE 4,500	% 0	EST CTN	TOTAL CTN	CRW PERS	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	LOSS	SSS C-T-D
WILDCAT					UNK	250	6	0	2	0	NR	NR	
SUPPLY	BOD	ID	234	100	---	36	0	10	0	0	NR	NR	

BOD = Boise District, BLM

Northern Rockies Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOST	LOSS	SSS C-T-D
LAST STAND	CRA	MT	1,000	100	---	32	0	6	0	0	NR	NR	

CRA = Crow Agency, BIA

Alaska Large Fires: Twenty-nine fires are in a non-suppression status totalling 422,050 acres.

Southwest Large Fires: Two fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 19,736 acres.

OUTLOOK:

*** FIRE WEATHER WATCHES ARE POSTED IN NEVADA ***
 *** AND ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF THE NORTHERN SIERRA AND ***
 *** SOUTHERN CASCADE MOUNTAINS FOR DRY LIGHTNING THIS AFTERNOON. ***

Strong high pressure over the western U.S. will continue to dominate, maintaining a hot and dry pattern over most areas. Subtropical moisture will move north into the Great Basin, which is expected to trigger dry thunderstorms in Nevada and along the east side of the northern Sierra and southern Cascade Mountains. High temperatures will range from the 80's to lower 90's in the Northern Rockies, with the remainder of the West experiencing 90's and 100's. Fire activity is expected to increase due to forecasted dry lightning.

FIRE: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					3		3
NORTHWEST			1		12	1	14
CA-NORTHERN					13	3	16
CA-SOUTHERN				1	21	2	24
NORTHERN	1			1	3	1	6
GB-EASTERN	2	4			1	4	11
GB-WESTERN						1	1
SOUTHWEST	1					10	11
ROCKY MTN		4		1		4	9
EASTERN						4	4
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	4	9	1	2	57	26	99

		ACRES BURNED: Yesterday					
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			0		15,346		15,346
NORTHWEST					10	2	12
CA-NORTHERN					64	1	65
CA-SOUTHERN				0	84	0	84
NORTHERN	1,000		25		1	30	1,056
GB-EASTERN	2	247			75	3	327
GB-WESTERN						0	0
SOUTHWEST	3					5	8
ROCKY MTN		1,020		1		53	1,056
EASTERN					11		11
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	1,005	1,267	25	1	15,591	94	17,983

RESOURCE	RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources									
	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER			
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA	1	2								4
NORTHWEST										
CA-NORTHERN		23		6						3
CA-SOUTHERN	3		5		1					
NORTHERN	2		8		1					
GB-EASTERN	8	1	17		9				28	6
GB-WESTERN			5	1	2				5	
SOUTHWEST			28		5				1	
ROCKY MTN	6		23		9				200	27
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	20	26	86	7	27	0	0	0	236	40

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	5	43	29	5	517	8	607
NORTHWEST	119	87	7	6	615	212	1,046
CA-NORTHERN	40	21	1	14	1,159	332	1,567
CA-SOUTHERN	7	253	1	48	2,523	544	3,376
NORTHERN	516	19	42	10	190	266	1,043
GB-EASTERN	37	411		14	208	249	919
GB-WESTERN		368		38	66	93	565
SOUTHWEST	948	204	10	59	1,212	1,463	3,896
ROCKY MTN	604	447		30	582	312	1,975
EASTERN	244			50	11,709	331	12,334
SOUTHERN	77		103	78	45,613	1,103	46,974

USA	2,597	1,853	193	352	64,394	4,913	74,302	
5 YEAR AVERAGE								46,740

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	15	203,122	125,388	4,374	253,574	141	586,614
NORTHWEST	2,657	21,315	1,547	2	2,682	2,216	30,419
CA-NORTHERN	66	866	0	6	7,687	417	9,042
CA-SOUTHERN	997	31,067	25	45	86,142	28,388	146,664
NORTHERN	4,298	979	2,921	3	1,144	516	9,861
GB-EASTERN	310	413,660		3,089	51,734	12,296	481,089
GB-WESTERN		70,798		30	2,412	3,498	76,738
SOUTHWEST	36,074	7,799	3,053	5,024	71,021	204,890	327,861
ROCKY MTN	22,732	6,667		4,359	16,663	26,249	76,738
EASTERN	566			533	153,976	18,411	173,486
SOUTHERN	1,781		30,076	10,632	1,020,497	41,471	1,104,457
USA	69,496	756,273	163,010	28,097	1,667,532	338,493	3,022,901
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,234,652

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1	0	482	15,440
YUKON TERRITORY	3	17	125	90,004
ALBERTA	1	5	248	1,409
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	1,352	254	182,818
SASKATCHEWAN	20	37	326	6,042
MANITOBA	0	59	296	53,025
ONTARIO	9	4	997	417,229
QUEBEC	0	11	895	465,340
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	60	4,346
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	241	1,600
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	231	628
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	21	195
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	46	14,649
TOTALS	35	1,485	4,222	1,252,725

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

NR = No Report

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