

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1996 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

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

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack activity was light. Good progress continued on most large fires, with the exception the Shepard Mtn. fire in the Northern Rockies and the Stockwell/Stockwell II fire in the Rocky Mountain Areas. Type I Incident Management Teams were ordered for those fires. Due to blow-up conditions on the Shepard Mtn. fire, a crew was overrun. One firefighter was injured and was transported to a Billings hospital. A Type III helicopter working with a bucket crashed on the west side of the Stockwell fire. The pilot received minor injuries. Resource mobilization through NICC was moderate, with increasing demobilization and reassignments.

Northwest Large Fires:

An Area Command Team (Edrington) is committed to the Umatilla National Forest.

TOWER, Umatilla NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. The 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force (Lt. Col. Seal, Commander) is assigned. Fire activity remained moderate yesterday. Construction of fireline continued in the North Fork John Day Wilderness. Acreage increase is due to burnout operations.

SUMMIT, Umatilla NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. Task Force Vanguard, 3rd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division (Lt. Col. Bayles, Commander) is assigned. Crews are beginning mop-up and rehabilitation operations in preparation to turn the fire over to local management.

SPRING, Umpqua NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is assigned. This incident is being managed under a Unified Command with the Douglas Forest Protective Association. Due to cooler and wetter weather, indirect attack will be conducted from an existing trail in the Boulder Creek Wilderness. Some demobilization is in progress.

MOOLACK COMPLEX, Willamette NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bright) is assigned. Higher humidities aided mop-up, but progress remains slow.

SALT COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Macdonald) is assigned. The complex includes the SALT CREEK, DAM, SHEEP CREEK, and HEAVEN'S GATE fires. Early morning clouds and winds approaching 40 MPH limited helicopter use for crew shuttles.

One fire is under a confine/contain suppression strategy for 3,650 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TOWER	UMF	OR	50,650	75	9/09	1,608	55	35	7	8	2.1M	9.6M
SUMMIT	UMF	OR	37,000	90	9/06	1,622	60	73	10	2	NR	6.3M
SPRING	UPF	OR	13,869	75	9/12	994	24	27	6	0	33M	8.7M
MOOLACK CPX	WIF	OR	11,715	80	9/08	1,128	38	10	6	0	54M	4.7M
SALT COMPLEX	WWF	OR	68,925	75	9/05	370	8	2	6	0	NR	7.7M

Northern Rockies Large Fires:

SHEPARD MTN, Custer NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Stires) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) has been ordered. The fire experienced erratic winds causing an acreage increase from 650 acres to approximately 1200 acres. Structures are threatened and unconfirmed reports are that some have been destroyed. An accident investigation team and a shelter deployment team are enroute.

Three fires are under a confine/contain suppression strategy for 45,429 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SHEPARD MTN	CNF	MT	1,200	10	UNK	158	4	16	2	0	NR	233K

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

STOCKWELL and STOCKWELL II, Big Horn NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) has been ordered. The fire is 10 miles west of Saddlestring, WY. The fire experienced high winds, high temperatures and low humidities, resulting in erratic fire behavior. All suppression efforts were discontinued due to the helicopter accident and the extreme fire behavior. The Stockwell II fire is a second fire in the vicinity.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STOCKWELL/II	BHF	WY	2,250	UNK	UNK	85	2	6	2	0	NR	725K
HOGBACK	CRD	CO	175	100	----	3	0	1	0	0	NR	NR

Eastern Great Basin Large Fires:

ASPEN HOLLOW, Bridger-Teton NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. No new information was received.

BRIDGE, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) is assigned. The fire is located 29 miles west of Challis, ID in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. The confinement strategy objectives are expected to be met.

GOLDEN SPIKE, Utah State. Burnout operations were successful with the south and east sides contained and the north and west sides in mop-up. Strong winds combined with low relative humidities are causing control problems. Acreage increase is due to burnout operations.

WET SANDY COMPLEX, Dixie NF. Good progress was made toward containment objectives. Demobilization is occurring. There are no current threats, but dense brush, steep terrain, and poor access have slowed control.

Three fires are in a confine/contain suppression strategy for 3,082 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ASPEN HOLLOW	BTF	WY	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
BRIDGE	SCF	ID	12,000	0	10/10	259	9	1	3	0	NR	262K
FALL GOOSE CPX	PAF	ID	485	100	----	377	15	1	2	0	NR	1.5M
GOLDEN SPIKE	UTS	UT	12,800	90	9/5	43	0	9	0	0	80K	56K
WET SANDY CPX	DIF	UT	353	50	9/5	99	3	4	2	0	NR	25K

Southern California Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ACKERSON CX	YNP	CA	59,070	100	----	1,150	43	17	12	1	38M	27.5M
BIEDEBACH	ANF	CA	698	100	----	433	15	10	3	0	NR	1.4M

Alaska Large Fires:

Ten fires are in a non-suppression status totalling 342,723 acres.

OUTLOOK

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR GUSTY NORTH WINDS IN THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY. A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR SOUTHERN NEVADA FOR STRONG SOUTHWEST WINDS. A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR EASTERN MONTANA FOR GUSTY WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITIES.

An upper level low will move across the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies with much cooler temperatures and scattered precipitation. The tail end of the trough will move into the Great Basin. Monsoon moisture will spread northward from Arizona and New Mexico into eastern Utah, Colorado and eastern Wyoming. Widely scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are forecast for the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies. Scattered wet thunderstorms are forecast for the desert Southwest and southern Rockies. California and the Great Basin will be fair with gusty winds from Northern California into southern Nevada. High temperatures will range from the 60's and mid 70's in the Pacific Northwest to near 100 in the desert Southwest.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			1		0		1
NORTHWEST							0

CA-NORTH					14	5	19
CA-SOUTH		1		0	8	1	10
NORTHERN	2				4	6	12
GB-EAST	1	1				8	10
GB-WEST							0
SOUTHWEST	1	2		2		18	23
ROCKY MTN	1	3				4	8
EASTERN						1	1
SOUTHERN							0
USA	5	7	1	2	26	43	84

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			0		1		1
NORTHWEST		0			6	451	457
CA-NORTH					6	0	6
CA-SOUTH		60		1,094	11	5	1,170
NORTHERN	2				2	5	9
GB-EAST	0	1				3	4
GB-WEST	=						0
SOUTHWEST	0	0		0		58	58
ROCKY MTN	0	1				31	32
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN							0
USA	2	62	0	1,094	26	553	1,737

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources										
AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	191	49	113	27	48				1,336	264
CA-NORTH			9		3				9	
CA-SOUTH	67		42		19		1	2	111	
NORTHERN	16	2	28	2	13	1			229	16
GB-EAST	11	1	13	4	15				NR	NR
GB-WEST					3					
SOUTHWEST			13		1					
ROCKY MTN	5		26		3				12	
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	290	52	244	33	105	1	1	2	1,697	280

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	33	6	547	19	657
NORTHWEST	180	428	14	40	1,476	1,329	3,467
CA-NORTH	43	61	2	19	2,054	858	3,037
CA-SOUTH	10	304	2	237	3,558	924	5,035
NORTHERN	728	97	46	27	526	1,248	2,672

GB-EAST	52	845		26	418	770	2,111
GB-WEST		761	3	58	98	206	1,126
SOUTHWEST	1,190	327	13	94	1,443	2,178	5,245
ROCKY MTN	841	896		68	963	668	3,436
EASTERN	244			61	11,705	345	12,355
SOUTHERN	77		105	93	45,988	1,143	47,406
USA	3,371	3,765	218	729	68,776	9,688	86,547
5 YEAR AVERAGE							57,821

AREA	ACRES BURNED:			Year to date			TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	
ALASKA	16	205,422	138,902	4,379	237,226	166	
586,111							
NORTHWEST	133,230	210,426	1,556	5	24,594	260,300	
630,111							
CA-NORTH	236	7,539	500	367	14,519	126,176	
149,337							
CA-SOUTH	2,032	40,811	30	56,005	161,143	173,727	
433,748							
NORTHERN	15,942	14,470	3,054	3,462	108,753	81,936	
227,617							
GB-EAST	395	1,051,856		7,930	113,896	106,750	
1,280,827							
GB-WEST		421,370	602	287	59,765	74,144	
556,168							
SOUTHWEST	36,848	10,619	3,155	5,319	73,244	209,010	
338,195							
ROCKY MTN	26,221	193,384		10,642	21,558	42,075	
293,880							
EASTERN	566			533	153,976	18,430	
173,505							
SOUTHERN	1,781		29,984	12,770	1,049,719	42,206	
1,136,460							
USA	217,267	2,155,897	177,783	101,699	2,018,393	1,134,920	
5,805,959							
5 YEAR AVERAGE							
2,031,216							

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	LAST WEEK		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	6	8	1,276	22,013
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	145	93,351
ALBERTA	1	13	352	1,986
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	350	343,889
SASKATCHEWAN	2	3	419	12,889
MANITOBA	1	94	407	90,305
ONTARIO	5	0	1,175	448,533
QUEBEC	4	44	1,153	630,465
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	45,716	131	73,260
NEW BRUNSWICK	5	2	320	1,765
NOVA SCOTIA	0	2	252	632
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23	195
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	72	16,409

TOTALS		25		45,882		6,075		1,735,692	
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A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.
Canada is now reporting weekly.

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