

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1996 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

*** SAFETY COMES FIRST ON EVERY FIRE, EVERY TIME.***

CURRENT SITUATION: Moderate initial attack activity was reported yesterday with only the Great Basin reporting new large fire activity. Good progress continued on most existing large fires, except in Oregon where higher temperatures, lower humidities and strong winds increased fire activity on some of the contained fires. A Type II Incident Management Team was committed in the Northwest Area. Resource mobilization through NICC remained minimal.

Northwest Large Fires:

SPRING, Umpqua NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Duke) is assigned. Firefighter safety due to difficult terrain and securing a defensible line in the Boulder Creek Wilderness is a major concern.

MOOLACK COMPLEX, Willamette NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. The management of this complex has been changed to a containment strategy. Relative humidities were up and weather conditions have improved. This will be the last report.

PHIPPS, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This fire is located near Highway 26 northeast of Prairie City, OR.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SPRING	UPF	OR	15,712	88	9/20	639	13	24	5	0	4.6M	11.4M
MOOLACK CPX	WIF	OR	11,735	90	9/16	638	16	8	8	0	1.7M	8.2M
PHIPPS	MAF	OR	25	0	UNK	75	0	11	0	0	NR	NR

Northern Rockies Large Fires:

SHEPARD MTN, Custer NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The area outside the wilderness boundaries are expected to be controlled by Saturday. The area inside the wilderness boundaries will be contained today.

BLACKERBY, Nez Perce NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Specht) is assigned. Crews will be constructing handline and burning out to secure the top of the fire. One-third of the perimeter is State Highway 14. Steep terrain, smoke, rolling rocks and rapid rates of spread are hampering control efforts. Extreme fire behavior in steep canyons with flashy fuels is possible.

Fifty fires are in a confine and contain suppression strategy for 44,873 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	12,800	80	9/12	549	13	11	9	36	NR	2.8M

BLACKERBY	NPF	ID	354	UNK	UNK	182	7	4	4	0	NR	NR
-----------	-----	----	-----	-----	-----	-----	---	---	---	---	----	----

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

STOCKWELL II. Big Horn NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) is assigned. This fire is located 14 miles south of Sheridan, WY. Burnout operations were initiated and successfully completed, eliminating 2-3 miles of handline construction. Overall, good progress continues toward containment.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STOCKWELL II	BHF	WY	3,300	60	9/14	615	23	4	6	0	NR	2.4M

Eastern Great Basin Large Fires:

ASPEN HOLLOW, Bridger-Teton NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. Cooler temperatures and higher humidities aided control efforts yesterday. The acreage increases are due to burnout operations. Demobilization will begin on Saturday.

Three fires are in a confine and contain suppression strategy for 20,450 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	2,780	65	9/15	329	11	3	3	0	12K	1.0K
MULE BUTTE	IFD	ID	9,600	100	----	25	0	4	0	0	NR	NR
NORTH WENDELL	SID	ID	3,200	100	----	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
NORTH WAPI	SID	ID	7,000	100	----	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

Western Great Basin Large Fires:

CAN, Toiyabe NF. This lightning-caused fire is located approximately 40 miles west of Las Vegas, NV. The fire is burning in small timber. Three crews and a helicopter are ordered for today. A radio repeater site, cabin and Pinnacle Caves entrance are threatened.

FRENCHY FLAT, Nevada Division of Forestry, North. This fire is burning in sage and grass 40 miles east of Battle Mountain, NV. Fire behavior yesterday was typical for current weather and fuel conditions with no unusual or extreme behavior reported, although the fire did make several runs. Progress towards containment objectives continues with no major problems identified. The community of Pine Valley and local ranches are threatened.

TOM BASIN, Humboldt NF. This human caused fire is burning 50 miles north of Winnemucca, NV. Progress continues toward containment despite steep, rocky terrain and dry, flashy fuels.

SEAL, Carson City District, BLM. This human caused fire is located 55 miles east of Fallon, NV and is in mop-up.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
----------	------	----	------	---	-----	-------	-----	-----	------	------	-----	--------

NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
CAN	TOF	NV	200	5	9/13	14		3	0	0	NR	5K
FRENCHY FLAT	NVS	NV	25,385	80	9/12	215	7	7	2	0	NR	60K
TOM BASIN	HUF	NV	2,000	90	9/12	180	7	8	2	0	NR	NR
SEAL	CCD	NV	3,000	85	9/12	56	2	2	0	0	NR	NR

Southern Area Incidents:

HURRICANE FRAN, Wilmington, NC. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is managing a Receiving and Distribution Center at Ft. Bragg, NC.

Alaska Large Fires:

Ten fires are in a limited protection status totalling 342,723 acres.

OUTLOOK

An upper ridge of high pressure will extend along the east slopes of the Rockies into the Dakota's. An upper trough will move onto the West Coast, bringing light rain into western Washington with a few showers as far south as northwest California. Southerly winds aloft will push monsoon moisture from the desert Southwest into the Eastern Great Basin and Rockies. Scattered wet thunderstorms are forecast from Arizona and New Mexico northward through Utah and Colorado and into Idaho and Montana. Cooler temperatures are forecast from the West Coast in to the Great Basin. High temperatures will range from the 60's and 70's along the coast to the 80's and lower 90's inland. The lower deserts of southern California and Arizona will be over 100 degrees.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST			1		2	4	7
CA-NORTH					11	1	12
CA-SOUTH				1	14	1	16
NORTHERN	2	1			7	8	18
GB-EAST		13			2	33	48
GB-WEST		4			0	2	6
SOUTHWEST	2	1				3	6
ROCKY MTN	1	1				0	2
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					1		1
USA	5	20	1	1	37	52	116

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			4		3		7
NORTHWEST			1		1	25	27

CA-NORTH					7	0	7
CA-SOUTH				0	12	1	13
NORTHERN	1	20			2	52	75
GB-EAST		5,822			0	9	5,831
GB-WEST		2,033			7,980	200	10,213
SOUTHWEST	0	0				18	18
ROCKY MTN	1	0				350	351
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					0		0
USA	2	7,875	5	0	8,005	655	16,542

AREA	RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources									
	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	62	26	49	7	32				560	107
CA-NORTH		2	1	5	1		1	2	3	3
CA-SOUTH	16		9		5	3	1		95	
NORTHERN	17	1	9	10	11				262	5
GB-EAST	21	1	39	5	13				5	
GB-WEST	12	3	23	7	5	1			32	13
SOUTHWEST	1		9		1					
ROCKY MTN	19		10		7	2	3		8	
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN									93	
USA	148	33	149	34	75	4	5	2	1,058	128

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	7	46	33	6	501	17	610
NORTHWEST	205	422	15	40	1,586	1,357	3,625
CA-NORTH	49	62	2	22	2,143	873	3,151
CA-SOUTH	10	306	2	241	3,658	950	5,167
NORTHERN	745	101	46	28	570	1,275	2,765
GB-EAST	54	886		26	430	872	2,268
GB-WEST		1,260	3	59	108	212	1,642
SOUTHWEST	1,204	355	13	101	1,450	2,235	5,358
ROCKY MTN	870	908		71	985	690	3,524
EASTERN	244			61	11,705	352	12,362
SOUTHERN	2		107	93	46,689	1,152	48,043
USA	3,390	4,346	221	748	69,825	9,985	88,515
5 YEAR AVERAGE							58,969

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	16	204,285	138,906	4,379	186,945	166	534,697
NORTHWEST	133,230	217,055	1,557	5	26,109	266,303	644,259
CA-NORTH	241	7,540	500	368	14,912	126,208	149,769
CA-SOUTH	2,032	40,811	30	68,435	162,493	169,368	443,169
NORTHERN	16,054	14,483	3,054	5,266	110,572	65,903	215,332

GB-EAST	406	1,069,000		7,930	155,594	112,879	1,345,809
GB-WEST		423,706	602	287	84,321	76,374	585,290
SOUTHWEST	36,849	9,461	3,155	5,470	73,398	209,173	337,506
ROCKY MTN	27,810	196,281		10,642	21,558	45,133	301,424
EASTERN	566			533	153,976	18,433	173,508
SOUTHERN	45		30,094	12,770	1,053,002	42,306	1,138,217
USA	217,249	2,182,622	177,898	116,085	2,042,880	1,132,246	5,868,980
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,058,167

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	WEEKLY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	35	1	1,311	22,014
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	146	93,351
ALBERTA	4	0	356	1,986
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	17,583	350	361,472
SASKATCHEWAN	3	103	422	12,992
MANITOBA	3	608	410	90,913
ONTARIO	29	3,143	1,209	451,676
QUEBEC	49	1,086	1,202	631,551
NEWFOUNDLAND	9	40	140	73,300
NEW BRUNSWICK	23	5	343	1,770
NOVA SCOTIA	9	0	261	631
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23	195
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	72	16,409
TOTALS	0	22,569	6,245	1,758,260

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

**** NATIONAL INTERAGENCY COORDINATION CENTER ****