

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
Friday August 1, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Alaska continues to experience large fire activity. Additional fires have been staffed for structure protection.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

SIMELS, Galena District, BLM. This fire is on the east side of the Innoko Flats, between Galena and McGrath. The fire is active on the southern perimeter, which is burning into a continuous stand of black spruce. The fire has increased in size, but was not mapped due to thick smoke. The slopover on the eastern perimeter is 35% contained, while protection of the historic cabin continues.

CHINIKLIK MOUNTAIN, Galena District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wehking) is assigned. A line has been secured on all divisions. Ash pits near the southern perimeter still need to be worked. If the weather holds, the crews will get around the fire by 8/3.

PAIMIUT, Galena District, BLM. This fire is being managed by the Type II Incident Management Team assigned to the Chiniklik fire. The fire is contained. Major areas of heat have been mopped-up. All crews and overhead will mop-up where the fire burned beyond meadows. No flare-ups occurred today. Demobilization is planned for this weekend, depending on the results of infrared scanning.

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Dube) is assigned. Hot dry conditions continue to cause active burning on the perimeter. The perimeter was 30% active, with up to 50 foot flame lengths, spreading at 40 chains per hour. The fire size has increased, but remains unmapped due to thick smoke.

BUTTE CREEK, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska State. This fire is located 25 miles east of Eilson Air Force Base, near cabins on the Salcha River. The south west perimeter continues to be active. A fifteen acre slopover crossed a winter trail, torching spruce with 30-40 foot flame lengths. Hose lays are in place for cabin protection. Additional crew and resources are being mobilized to the fire. Retardant was effective on the slopover, but visibility dropped due to smoke.

GARFIELD CREEK, Galena District, BLM. This fire is located on the Seward Peninsula, 65 miles north of Nome. Southeast winds have substantially increased fire activity, adding 22,000 acres on its west and north perimeters during the last few days. Eight smokejumpers were deployed for protection of a structure on the confluence of Boulder Creek and the mouth of the Noxapaga River. The north west perimeter could not be mapped due to heavy smoke.

MAGITCHLIE CREEK, Galena District, BLM. This fire is located in the Innoko Flats, 35 miles south of Kaltag. This is a limited suppression fire which is staffed for structure protection. A meadow burn-out south west of the cabin is complete. Light rain during the night may hinder the

plan to burn-out the area around a fuel site. The fire is active, but is still a safe distance from the cabin.

DEVILS PEAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. This fire is located west of the Kuskokwim River, 60 miles south of McGrath. The fire increased in size by 250 acres, even though it received precipitation throughout the day. Mop-up is 80% complete on the west side and 20% on the east side.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
SIMELS	GAD	AK	344,450	0	UNK	37	2	0	2	0	NR	158K
CHINIKLIK MTN	GAD	AK	3,340	60	8/03	213	9	0	3	0	NR	752K
PAIMIUT	GAD	AK	1,197	100	7/31	51	2	0	2	0	NR	283K
INOWAK	SWS	AK	490,700	0	UNK	321	13	0	5	3	NR	2.2M
BUTTE CREEK	FAS	AK	3400	0	UNK	6	2	0	0	0	NR	21K
DEVILS PEAK	SWS	AK	300	80	UNK	39	2	0	0	0	NR	19K
GARFIELD CREEK	GAD	AK	51,000	0	UNK	8	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
MAGITCHLIE	GAD	AK	29,049	0	UNK	8	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

Alaska has 48 other large fires burning for a total of 1,502,851 acres.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

WINTER CAMP, Boise District BLM. This fire is located 35 miles south east of Mountain Home, ID. The fire spread quickly due to winds from passing thunderstorms. Retardant was effective slowing forward spread. Containment was expected last night.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
WINTER CAMP	BOD	ID	550	0	7/31	26	0	7	0	0	7K	28K

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
ROCKWOOD #2	NJS	NJ	1,800	100	---	125	NR	30	2	NR	NR	10K

OUTLOOK:

California will have morning low clouds along the coast, becoming mostly sunny in the afternoon. Isolated afternoon and evening wet thunderstorms are predicted west of the Sierra Nevada Crest. Temperatures will be in the high 70's and 80's in the mountains and 80's and 90's in the valleys.

Alaska will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers along the southern coast, with partly cloudy scattered afternoon thunderstorms in the interior. Temperatures will be in the high 60's and 70's.

New Jersey will be sunny. High temperatures in the 90's inland, and in the low to mid 80's in the coastal areas.

Temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's in Nevada and Utah. Eastern and

Southern Nevada will be partly cloudy with isolated afternoon and evening wet thunderstorms. Scattered wet thunderstorms are expected throughout Utah.

Oregon and Washington will be mostly sunny west of the Cascades after the morning low clouds and fog along the coast lift. Temperatures will be in the high 60's to 70's along the coast and in western Washington, and in the 80's in the valleys of Oregon. East of the Cascades will be partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms, and a slight chance of thunderstorms along the Idaho border. Temperatures will be in the high 80's to low 90's.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA				1	7		8
NORTHWEST	1	2			1	21	25
CA-NORTH		2			27	19	48
CA-SOUTH	2			1	17	3	23
NORTHERN	2				2	5	9
GB-EAST		7			1	9	17
GB-WEST		16				7	23
SOUTHWEST	1	2				4	NR
ROCKY MTN							NR
EASTERN					30	3	33
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	6	29	0	2	85	71	186

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		28,479	27,100	682	1,161		57,422
NORTHWEST	1	4				1	6
CA-NORTH					118	3	121
CA-SOUTH					152		152
NORTHERN	1					1	2
GB-EAST		614			1	2	617
GB-WEST		165				75	240
SOUTHWEST	1					3	NR
ROCKY MTN							NR
EASTERN					59	9	68
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	3	779	27,100	682	1,491	94	58,628

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources										
AREA	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICOP.		AIRTNK.		OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA	21	10			8	6	4		73	85
NORTHWEST	4				3					
CA-NORTH	4	3	38	6	5	1	0	1	10	2
CA-SOUTH		6	5		3	1	1	0		
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	3	0	23	1	5	0				
GB-WEST	3	0	9	0	2	1				

SOUTHWEST					1						
ROCKY MTN											
EASTERN											
SOUTHERN											
USA	35	19	75	7	27	9	5	1	83	87	

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	79	51	11	499	9	655
NORTHWEST	120	150	14	23	469	392	1,168
CA-NORTH	67	53	1	15	1,694	550	2,380
CA-SOUTH	30	74	2	37	2,573	542	3,258
NORTHERN	331	22	22	1	134	156	666
GB-EAST	6	262		10	107	207	592
GB-WEST		211		16	46	111	384
SOUTHWEST	902	126	16	57	706	1,244	3,051
ROCKY MTN	329	284	1	25	683	271	1,593
EASTERN	548			23	8,836	351	9,758
SOUTHERN	4		78	44	16,674	562	17,362
USA	2,343	1,261	185	262	32,421	4,395	40,867
10 YEAR AVERAGE							51,762

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	613,587	660,867	19,035	276,280	32	1,569,829
NORTHWEST	571	5,783	5,611	2	1,814	837	14,618
CA-NORTH	99	534	1	24	4,604	1,036	6,298
CA-SOUTH	568	3,662	18	53	18,783	10,219	33,303
NORTHERN	2,273	487	1,104	0	1,128	303	5,295
GB-EAST	40	21,960		37	5,939	410	28,386
GB-WEST		24,176		2	213	960	25,351
SOUTHWEST	7,898	3,633	1,769	937	117,758	10,194	142,189
ROCKY MTN	14,284	5,701	20	1,391	24,192	919	46,507
EASTERN	3,220			76	55,072	5,158	63,526
SOUTHERN	12		8,249	1,413	218,735	13,388	241,797
USA	28,993	679,523	677,639	22,970	724,518	43,456	2,177,099
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,798,360

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	6	14
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0
ALBERTA	1	0
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	8,642
SASKATCHEWAN	10	111
MANITOBA	2	40
ONTARIO	38	72
QUEBEC	9	215

NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	72	8,725
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	225	118
NOVA SCOTIA	3	1	251	464
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	31	93
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	25	283
TOTALS	73	9,095	3,848	449,607

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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