

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1997 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack and large fire activity increased in the Northwest, California, and Western Great Basin Areas. Southern California mobilized a Type II Incident Management Team to the Los Padres NF. A State Type II Incident Management Team was mobilized in Northern California. NICC processed resource orders for helicopters, air tankers, showers, and a caterer in support of new fires in the Nevada and California. Very high and extreme fire dangers were reported on units in California, Nevada, Arizona and New Jersey.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Dube) is assigned. Air operations were grounded due to poor weather conditions. Crews continue to provide structure protection to native allotments.

SIMELS, Galena District, BLM. This fire is on the east side of the Innoko Flats, between Galena and McGrath. Poor weather conditions restricted air operations.

Crews continue line construction on the eastern slope. Structure protection continues at Bear Creek Landing and Graham Mine.

MAGITCHLIE CREEK, Galena District, BLM. This fire is located in the Innoko Flats, 35 miles south of Kaltag. High fuel moisture content made burnout operations difficult. Firefighters continue to make good progress.

CHINIKLIK MOUNTAIN, Galena District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wehking) is assigned. The fire received some precipitation. The crews continued securing the perimeter and mopping-up hot spots.

PAIMIUT, Galena District, BLM. This fire is being managed by the Type II Incident Management Team on the Chiniklik fire. It is located in the lower Yukon, between Holy Cross and Russian Mission, Alaska. The fire received light precipitation yesterday. Firefighters made good progress on the eastern slope. The southern slope displayed very active burning conditions and doubled in size.

BUTTE CREEK, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska State. All resources have been demobilized and the fire is now in monitor status.

GARFIELD CREEK, Galena District, BLM. All resources have been demobilized and the fire is now in monitor status.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	571,500	10	NR	236	8	0	4	3	NR	3.1M

SIMELS	GAD	AK	365,940	0	NR	53	3	0	2	0	NR	220K
MAGITCHLIE	GAD	AK	290,409	0	NR	8	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
CHINIKLIK MTN	GAD	AK	3,283	90	8/05	116	4	0	2	0	NR	1.1M
PAIMIUT	GAD	AK	2,467	50	8/15	37	0	0	2	0	NR	380K
BUTTE CREEK	FAS	AK	4,222	0	NR	0	0	0	0	0	NR	82K
GARFIELD CREEK	GAD	AK	53,000	0	NR	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
DEVILS PEAK	SWS	AK	660	100	---	40	2	0	0	0	NR	89K

Alaska has 54 other large fires burning for a total of 1,679,592 acres.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

LOGAN, Los Padres NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Smith) has been ordered. The fire is located approximately 20 miles northeast of Santa Maria, CA. Steep, rugged and inaccessible terrain coupled with hot and dry weather are hampering suppression efforts. Current threats are to Branch Mountain Lookout.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
LOGAN	LPF	CA	1,200	0	UNK	300	9	8	3	0	NR	NR

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

GOOCH, Lassen-Modoc Ranger Unit, California State. A State Type II Incident Management Team (Hawkins) has been ordered. This fire is located near Eagle Lake, northwest of Susanville, Ca. A watershed and timber sale are currently threatened.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
GOOCH	LMU	CA	500	0	UNK	350	10	16	4	0	NR	NR

#### WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SUMMIT, Winnemucca District, BLM. This fire is located 70 miles northwest of Winnemucca, NV. Active fire behavior was observed as the fire moved swiftly through light, flashy fuels. Two residences were destroyed by the blaze. Current threats include 12 residences, 2 businesses, and a Lahontan Cutthroat Trout hatchery and spawning area.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
SUMMIT	WID	NV	1,000	10	8/5	128	3	13	2	2	NR	NR
REINHART	EKD	NV	650	50	8/4	175	7	7	1	0	NR	NR

The Western Great Basin has 1 other large fire burning for a total of 600 acres.

# NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

PWO WAH KEE, Washington State. This grass fire is located 8 miles west of Clarkston, Washington. Current concerns are for wheat fields in the proximity of the fire. No other information available.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
POW WAH KEE	CES	WA	8,000	UNK	UNK	45	2	0	1	0	NR	NR

## OUTLOOK:

Alaska will have drier and warmer weather over the eastern two-thirds of the state. A chance of showers exists in the far west and along the southeast coast. Temperatures will range from the 60's along the coast to the 80's in the interior.

California will be warm and dry with isolated afternoon thunderstorms along the central and southern Sierras. Temperatures will be in the mid 60's to the 80's along the coast. Mountain temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's, with valley and desert highs reaching 114.

Nevada will be hot and dry. A few thunderstorms are possible over the central mountains. Northern temperatures will range from the 80's to the 100's, with highs of 105 to 112 in the south.

Washington and Oregon will be very warm and dry with isolated thunderstorms from the Cascades to the eastern borders. Temperatures west of the Cascades will be in the 70's and 80's, with highs climbing to the 90's and 100's in the east.

Utah will be partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures will range from 85 to 100 across the state.

New Jersey will be partly cloudy and breezy with a chance of showers in the north. Temperatures will be in the 70's.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA		0	0		1		1	
NORTHWEST	2	3			9	8	22	
CA-NORTH		1			18	5	24	
CA-SOUTH					34	7	41	
NORTHERN	2				4	10	16	
GB-EAST		3				4	7	
GB-WEST		4			2	2	8	
SOUTHWEST						3	3	
ROCKY MTN		1					1	
EASTERN					164	2	166	
SOUTHERN							0	
USA	4	12	0	0	232	41	289	

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		71,002	675		298		71,975
NORTHWEST	1	80			5	20	106
CA-NORTH		0			207	6	213
CA-SOUTH					72	1,250	1,322
NORTHERN	26				0	1	27
GB-EAST		21				1	22
GB-WEST		1,015			43	2	1,060
SOUTHWEST						0	0
ROCKY MTN		0					0
EASTERN					589	0	589
SOUTHERN							0
USA	27	1,036	675	0	1,214	1,280	75,314

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	13	10			6	4	2	2	104	37
NORTHWEST	8		13		2		2		7	
CA-NORTH	2	4	7	15	2	4	8	1		3
CA-SOUTH	6	29	9	17	3	2	7	6	2	20
NORTHERN	2		4	1	2				30	3
GB-EAST			3		1					
GB-WEST	6	4	24	1	1	1			20	1
SOUTHWEST			12		1					
ROCKY MTN			2							
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	37	47	74	34	18	11	19	9	163	64

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	82	49	14	510	10	671
NORTHWEST	127	170	14	23	478	472	1,284
CA-NORTH	67	54	1	16	1,785	593	2,516
CA-SOUTH	30	132	2	37	2,684	587	3,472
NORTHERN	338	24	22	1	173	215	773
GB-EAST	6	302		11	120	241	680
GB-WEST		222		16	49	122	409
SOUTHWEST	1,095	136	16	58	721	1,275	3,301
ROCKY MTN	389	294	2	25	708	270	1,688
EASTERN	548			23	9,218	356	10,145
SOUTHERN	4		84	52	16,719	562	17,421
USA	2,610	1,416	190	276	33,165	4,703	42,360
10 YEAR AVERAGE							52,916

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	767,289	683,323	19,470	282,106	32	1,752,248
NORTHWEST	571	6,130	5,611	2	1,817	873	15,004
CA-NORTH	99	534	1	25	4,806	1,061	6,526
CA-SOUTH	568	4,148	18	53	20,262	12,510	37,559
NORTHERN	2,305	469	1,104	0	1,143	377	5,398
GB-EAST	40	25,833		38	6,251	450	32,612
GB-WEST		26,440		2	304	946	27,692
SOUTHWEST	12,099	3,807	1,769	937	117,869	10,448	146,929
ROCKY MTN	14,186	5,701	21	1,391	24,203	915	46,417
EASTERN	3,190			76	45,853	5,207	54,326
SOUTHERN	12		8,266	2,015	221,226	13,388	244,907
USA	33,098	840,351	700,113	24,009	725,840	46,207	2,369,618
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,903,232

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	494	1,743
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	95	10,124
ALBERTA	2	1	328	758
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	10,453	93	31,329
SASKATCHEWAN	5	1	319	2,793
MANITOBA	3	15	284	10,351
ONTARIO	27	8	1,139	27,472
QUEBEC	3	1	666	366,400
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	79	8,707
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	0	247	123
NOVA SCOTIA	2	0	271	466
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	31	93
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	27	283
TOTALS	47	10,479	4,073	460,642

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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