

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 1997 - 0900 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity continued in Southern California, necessitating the mobilization of a Type II Incident Management Team. The Western Basin experienced increased large fire activity. Resource mobilization through NICC remained minimal. Very high and extreme fire indices were reported in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona, and Minnesota.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

An Area Command Team (Edrington) is assigned to the Los Padres National Forest.

LOGAN, Los Padres NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Kohut) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles east of Santa Maria, CA. Structure protection continues in communities to the south and west of the fire. Poor access and steep terrain continues to hamper suppression efforts. Cultural resources, watersheds, and structures are currently threatened.

HOPPER, Los Padres NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Greenhoe) is assigned. This fire is located 5 miles north of Fillmore, CA. Firefighters made good progress toward containment objectives. Threats to the communities of Fillmore and Piru have significantly decreased. Steep terrain and limited access continue to create control problems.

CHOKES, Sequoia NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Battreal) is assigned. This fire is located in the Monarch Wilderness, approximately 50 miles east of Fresno, CA. Firefighters contained a 50 acre spot fire that was caused by rolling material. The remote location of the fire has required the use of helicopters for tactical and logistical operations.

JACKS, Sequoia NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bacon) has been ordered, and will take over the fire today. This fire is 30 miles east of Lake Isabella, in the Kiahava Wilderness. No other information was received.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
LOGAN	LPF	CA	58,370	70	8/12	1,893	50	123	10	0	55K	3.6M
HOPPER	LPF	CA	20,250	30	UNK	2,206	71	92	11	0	NR	3.7M
CHOKES	SQF	CA	2,100	29	8/13	843	25	2	7	0	NR	.9M
JACKS	SQF	CA	250	0	UNK	137	4	7	2	0	NR	NR
HIGHWAY	SQF	CA	150	100	---	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

POTOSI COMPLEX, Toiyabe NF. This complex consists of the FLAT and MULE

fires, which are located 30 miles southwest of Las Vegas, NV. Light rainfall aided firefighters in making significant progress toward containment objectives. The Flat fire is currently 70% contained and the Mule fire is 100% contained.

SNOW CREEK, Elko District BLM. This fire is located 70 miles north of Ely, NV.

Firefighters were aided by precipitation over the fire. Torching was confined to the interior portions of the blaze. No significant runs were reported.

WARRIOR, Winnemucca District, BLM. This fire is located 15 miles north of Fern ley, NV. Active fire behavior was observed yesterday, with a 1« mile flame front reported.

HOT POT, Elko District, BLM. The fire is located 25 miles north of Battle Mountain, NV. High winds, flashy fuels and low relative humidities caused the fire to spread at a very rapid rate.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
POTOSI COMPLEX	TOF	NV	2,500	70	8/10	307	12	6	3	0	NR	128K
SNOW CREEK	ELD	NV	475	40	8/13	168	6	6	1	0	NR	NR
WARRIOR	WID	NV	3,000	0	UNK	6	0	2	0	0	NR	NR
HOT POT	EKD	NV	300	30	8/10	31	0	8	0	0	NR	NR
TWIN CREEK	WID	NV	1,000	100	---	36	0	5	0	0	NR	NR

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

HUFFER, Lassen National Park, NPS. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wood) is assigned. This fire is located east of Viola, CA. Increased relative humidites limited fire activity yesterday. Crews and air support made good progress on line construction. Spot fires up to a mile ahead of the fire were discovered. Helicopters assisted in personnel transportation and logistical support.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
HUFFER	LNP	CA	1,870	50	8/11	567	18	0	6	0	NR	300K

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. Fire activity moderated yesterday due to decreased winds and increased relative humidity. Firefighters observed torching along the southeast perimeter. Air operations were hindered by poor visibility in the vicinity of the fire.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	582,000	0	UNK	51	2	0	3	3	NR	3.5M

Alaska has 52 other large fires burning for a total of 1,799,015 acres.

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

THREE SPRINGS, Burns District, BLM. This fire is located in the Steens Mountains, 20 miles south of French Glen, OR. Burnout operations conducted yesterday were successful.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
THREE SPRINGS	BUD	OR	4,000	50	8/10	49	1	15	1	0	NR	NR

EASTERN BASIN LARGE FIRES:

HWY 77 MP 20, South-Central Idaho District. This fire is burning in sage and juniper 12 miles southeast of Burley, ID. High winds are creating control problems. A wildlife winter range is threatened.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
HWY 77 MP 20	SID	ID	580	90	8/9	28	0	9	0	0	NR	NR

OUTLOOK:

California will be mostly sunny with morning fog and low clouds along the coast. A slight increase in relative humidity will be observed today. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, the upper 80's and 90's in the valleys, and the 100's in the southern deserts.

Nevada will be partly cloudy in the north and east, with a few afternoon showers and thunderstorms. The southern and western portions of the state will be mostly sunny. Temperatures will be in the 80's to lower 90's in the north, and up to 110 in the southern deserts.

Utah will be partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures will range from the 70's in the north to near 100 in the south.

Very warm and dry conditions will dominate western Washington and Oregon. Moderate east winds are forecast over the Cascades and coastal mountain range. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms are possible for eastern Oregon and the southern Cascades. High temperatures in Washington and Oregon will be in the 80's to mid 90's.

A storm system over Bristol Bay will produce cloudy skies and periods of rain throughout the interior sections of Alaska. Temperatures will be in the 60's and 70's.

A cold front will move into lower Michigan today, bringing scattered showers and thunderstorms. The upper portion of the state will be partly cloudy and cool. Northern Michigan will have high temperatures in the 60's and 70's, with southern highs between 70 and 80.

Minnesota will be partly cloudy and cool with a chance of showers in the south.

Temperatures will range from 65 to 75 throughout the state.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA		0		0	1		1	
NORTHWEST	1				5	9	15	
CA-NORTH				0	19	2	21	
CA-SOUTH		1			18	3	22	
NORTHERN					6	6	12	
GB-EAST		3			3	1	7	
GB-WEST		15			4	3	22	
SOUTHWEST	2	3			5	9	19	
ROCKY MTN		6					6	
EASTERN				1			1	
SOUTHERN							0	
USA	3	28	0	1	61	33	126	

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		1,057		125	0		1,182
NORTHWEST	1				3	3	7
CA-NORTH				110	20	0	130
CA-SOUTH		30			390	9,260	9,680
NORTHERN					0	2	2
GB-EAST		616			6	2	624
GB-WEST		4,712			4	1	4,717
SOUTHWEST	0	0			3	0	3
ROCKY MTN		21					21
EASTERN				40			40
SOUTHERN							0
USA	1	5,379	0	275	426	9,268	16,406

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	3	2			3	4	2	2	42	13
NORTHWEST			4		2		1			
CA-NORTH	6	18	18	12	6	3	1	2	138	24
CA-SOUTH	71	91	76	171	31	11	19	2	566	357
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	1		16	3	4					
GB-WEST	9	13	33	5	8	5			50	20
SOUTHWEST	1		14							
ROCKY MTN			5		1					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	91	124	166	191	55	23	23	6	796	414

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	86	50	14	514	11	681
NORTHWEST	138	178	17	73	513	582	1,501
CA-NORTH	67	54		17	1,895	612	2,645
CA-SOUTH	30	219	3	44	2,758	624	3,678
NORTHERN	402	25	23	8	216	284	958
GB-EAST	6	317		11	130	277	741
GB-WEST		280		16	56	145	497
SOUTHWEST	1,095	144	16	63	743	1,385	3,446
ROCKY MTN	390	295	2	25	708	272	1,692
EASTERN	548			32	9,333	376	10,289
SOUTHERN	4		87	52	16,813	563	17,519
USA	2,686	1,598	198	355	33,679	5,131	43,647
10 YEAR AVERAGE							54,231

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AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	802,840	760,074	19,670	289,956	32	1,872,600
NORTHWEST	623	11,429	5,796	16	1,846	1,342	21,052
CA-NORTH	99	534		1,895	5,916	1,071	9,515
CA-SOUTH	568	3,735	2,418	53	21,126	89,630	117,530
NORTHERN	3,285	470	1,119	5	1,207	453	6,539
GB-EAST	40	26,177		38	6,221	551	33,027
GB-WEST		32,464		2	343	3,450	36,259
SOUTHWEST	12,099	4,506	1,769	1,658	118,950	13,604	152,586
ROCKY MTN	14,293	5,710	21	1,391	24,203	915	46,533
EASTERN	3,190			119	45,927	5,217	54,453
SOUTHERN	12		9,659	2,015	222,415	13,094	247,195
USA	34,237	887,865	780,856	26,862	738,110	129,359	2,597,289
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,050,059

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES				
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	754	2,057
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	97	10,125
ALBERTA	0	0	379	785
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	0	98	36,388
SASKATCHEWAN	12	264	429	3,608
MANITOBA	10	3,726	343	16,296
ONTARIO	27	101	1,350	27,628
QUEBEC	9	1	733	363,999
NEWFOUNDLAND	2	70	112	8,777
NEW BRUNSWICK	4	0	267	125
NOVA SCOTIA	7	4	297	477
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	31	93
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	47	298
TOTALS	73	4,166	4,937	470,656

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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