

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
FRIDAY AUGUST 15, 1997 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: New large fires were reported in the Northwest Area, necessitating the mobilization of two Type II Incident Management Teams. Resource mobilization through NICC continued with orders for aircraft, equipment, crews and overhead. Very high and extreme fire indices continue to be reported on units in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

GOLD CREEK, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. This fire is located 20 miles southwest of Ellensburg, WA. The fire is burning in mixed conifer with sage understory. The fire is within 1/4 mile of residences. It is burning actively with isolated torching and spotting up to 1/4 mile away. Three strike teams of structural engines are providing structure protection. Winds in the area are 23-30 MPH.

HIGHWAY 291, Washington State Department Of Natural Resources. A Type II Incident Management Team (Flanigan) is assigned. This fire is burning 30 miles northwest of Spokane, on both sides of the Spokane River near the community of Tum Tum. Thirty plus residences are threatened.

OLD TRAILS, Washington State Department Of Natural Resources. This fire began in Airway Heights, a suburb of Spokane, and is burning north toward Riverside State Park. Two residences and one business were destroyed. The campground at the park was evacuated, and residents in the area were asked to leave. Hikers have been advised to evacuate the Centennial Trail.

MILE POST 248, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. This fire is burning in grass and brush, 8 miles east of Meacham, OR. Firefighters made good progress on the fire yesterday.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
GOLD CREEK	WEF	WA	450	0	UNK	50	1	16	0	0	NR	NR
HIGHWAY 291	DNR	WA	2,000	0	UNK	425	10	50	1	0	NR	NR
OLD TRAILS	DNR	WA	500	0	UNK	425	10	50	2	2	2M	750K
MILE POST 248	UMF	OR	700	15	8/15	330	14	26	3	0	NR	200K

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

NARROWS, ANGELES NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Hutchinson) has been assigned. The fire is in the Sheep Mountain Wilderness in the east fork of the San Gabriel Canyon, four miles northeast of Wrightwood, CA. A potential threat exists for outlying structures and the town itself. If the fire continues to burn at its present rate, 20,000+ acres are expected to burn.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
NARROWS	ANF	CA	3,700	0	UNK	1121	45	3	14	0	NR	NR
JACKS	SQF	CA	5,693	100	---	791	29	21	6	0	NR	2.7M

#### ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. This will be the last report, unless significant activity occurs.

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

Alaska has 49 other large fires burning for a total of 1,802,765 acres.

#### OUTLOOK:

Washington will be mostly cloudy and a little cooler with scattered showers along the Cascades and eastern Washington. There will be areas of morning fog along the coast and western Washington. High temperatures will range from 65-70 on the coast, 70's and 80's in western Washington, and in the 80's to 90's in eastern Washington.

Oregon will be mostly sunny except areas of morning fog on the coast and in the northwestern interior. High temperatures will be in the high 60's along the coast, otherwise it will be 80's in the north and mid 90's in the south.

California will have morning fog and low clouds along the coast and coastal valleys, otherwise it will be mostly sunny. There is a slight chance of late afternoon thunderstorms over the central Sierra Crest. High temperatures will be in the 60's to 70's along the coast, 70's to 80's in the mountains, 90's to 105 in the inland valleys and in the upper 90's to near 110 in the southern deserts.

Nevada will be mostly sunny. High temperatures will be in the 80's to 90's, except near 110 in the southern deserts.

High pressure will push eastward into the east part of Alaska, as a low pressure moves into the western section of the state. It will be cloudy with rain in the northwest and south spreading into central Alaska during the afternoon. The southeast will be mostly sunny. High temperatures will be in the upper 50's in the northwest to lower 70's in the southeast part of the state.

Michigan will be cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. High temperatures will be in the high 70's in the north to the lower 70's in the southwest.

Minnesota will be cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely in the north, and a chance of showers and thunderstorms in the central and south. High temperatures will be in the upper 60's in the north to the lower 80's in the south.

Maine will have patchy fog in the morning, then mostly sunny with increasing clouds in the afternoon and scattered showers tonight. High temperatures will be in the 70's.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA			1		3		4	
NORTHWEST	1	1			3	4	9	
CA-NORTH					18	2	20	
CA-SOUTH	1			1	23	0	25	
NORTHERN	1				1	2	4	
GB-EAST		2			2	1	5	
GB-WEST	1				1	1	3	
SOUTHWEST	2	3		1	4	9	19	
ROCKY MTN		1				1	2	
EASTERN					19	3	22	
SOUTHERN							0	
USA	6	7	1	2	74	23	113	

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			0		0		0
NORTHWEST	0	0			2,500	450	2,950
CA-NORTH					12	0	12
CA-SOUTH	2			0	40	3,000	3,042
NORTHERN	0				0	0	0
GB-EAST		6			115	0	121
GB-WEST	0				0	0	0
SOUTHWEST	0	1		0	0	44	45
ROCKY MTN		1				0	1
EASTERN					24	32	56
SOUTHERN							0
USA	2	8	0	0	2,691	3,526	6,227

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										
NORTHWEST	29	20	12	149	9	3	7	1	63	40
CA-NORTH	2	14	3	5	2	1				3
CA-SOUTH	48	40	23	11	28		9		236	145
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST			6		3					
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	3		12		1					
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN	1									
USA	83	74	56	165	43	4	16	1	299	188

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	51	14	470	11	638
NORTHWEST	165	203	19	77	760	680	1,904
CA-NORTH	67	56		17	1,968	648	2,756
CA-SOUTH	97	312	3	56	4,814	1,278	6,560
NORTHERN	416	25	23	8	231	311	1,014
GB-EAST	548	335		34	167	341	1,425
GB-WEST		287		16	58	155	516
SOUTHWEST	1,095	151	16	65	747	1,417	3,491
ROCKY MTN	398	298	2	25	708	279	1,710
EASTERN	548			34	9,493	381	10,456
SOUTHERN	4		88	53	16,825	563	17,533
USA	3,344	1,753	202	399	36,241	6,064	48,003
10 YEAR AVERAGE							55,668

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	806,490	760,080	19,670	291,372	32	1,877,672
NORTHWEST	695	11,808	5,796	23	3,289	3,965	25,576
CA-NORTH	99	545		2,316	6,046	1,170	10,176
CA-SOUTH	667	7,574	2,418	2,366	27,171	98,100	138,296
NORTHERN	3,305	470	1,119	5	1,207	459	6,565
GB-EAST	40	26,177		38	7,157	784	34,196
GB-WEST		34,853		38	7,042	3,828	45,761
SOUTHWEST	12,099	4,510	1,769	1,658	118,950	13,657	152,643
ROCKY MTN	14,293	5,723	21	1,391	24,203	915	46,546
EASTERN	3,190			120	46,083	5,226	54,619
SOUTHERN	12		9,794	2,016	222,446	13,094	247,362
USA	34,428	898,150	780,997	29,641	754,966	141,230	2,639,412
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,157,861

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	24	15	892	2,198
YUKON TERRITORY	2	2	102	10,127
ALBERTA	0	0	390	804
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	98	36,388
SASKATCHEWAN	2	31	451	3,729
MANITOBA	0	0	352	17,570
ONTARIO	3	1	1,415	27,940
QUEBEC	2	0	778	364,980
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	105	9,473
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	285	128
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	301	477
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	31	93
NATIONAL PARKS	2	0	51	298
TOTALS	36	49	5,251	474,205

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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