

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 20, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity increased in the Northwest and Southern California Areas. Resource mobilization through NICC was moderate. Very high and extreme fire indices continue to be reported from units in California, Nevada, Washington, Oregon and Texas.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

NARROWS, ANGELES NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Hutchinson) is assigned. This fire is located four miles southwest of Wrightwood, CA. Firefighters battled a 1,000 acre slopover yesterday. Organizational camps and the town of Wrightwood are threatened. Steep terrain continues to create control problems.

CHOCKTAW, Kern County, California State. This fire is located 5 miles northeast of Bakersfield, CA. Strong winds caused the fire to burn aggressively through heavy grass fuels. The fire jumped the Kern River and is threatening residences in the Chocktaw Valley.

COMMANCHE, Kern County, California State. This fire is located 5 miles west of Tehachapi, CA. Strong winds caused active fire behavior. Residences in the community of Tehachapi are threatened.

SANTA ROSA, Santa Barbara County, California State. This fire is located 4 miles west Buellton, CA. Light precipitation aided firefighters with containment efforts. No other information was available.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
NARROWS	ANF	CA	15,200	60	8/23	2,495	74	222	21	0	NR	4.6M
CHOCKTAW	KRN	CA	2,000	0	8/20	42	0	10	0	0	NR	NR
COMMANCHE	KRN	CA	800	30	UNK	78	0	19	0	0	10K	NR
SANTA ROSA	SBC	CA	500	0	UNK	200	10	0	0	0	NR	NR
SIERRA	LAC	CA	726	100	---	40	1	2	0	0	NR	250K

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

NORTH BLIZZARD, Sheldon-Hart NWR. This fire is burning in grass and sage 25 miles northeast of Lakeview, OR. No other information was available.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
NORTH BLIZZARD	SHR	OR	300	UNK	UNK	20	0	7	1	0	NR	NR

OUTLOOK:

California will have decreasing clouds with areas of fog and low clouds along the coast. A chance of thunderstorms exists over the mountains. Temperatures along the coast will be in the 60's and 70's, with mountains and coastal valley highs in the 80's. Inland valley highs will be in the 80's and 90's, with desert temperatures climbing to 106.

Washington and Oregon will have increasing clouds with scattered thunderstorms spreading from the south to the north during the day. Areas of patchy fog are possible along the coast. Temperatures will be in the 60's and 70's along the coast, the lower 80's west of the Cascades, and the lower 90's to the east.

Utah and Nevada will be partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms. Temperatures will range from the 70's in the mountains to the 90's in the valleys.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA							NR	
NORTHWEST			1	1	7	6	15	
CA-NORTH					9	3	12	
CA-SOUTH					26	3	29	
NORTHERN	1				3	7	11	
GB-EAST		3				4	7	
GB-WEST		2					2	
SOUTHWEST							NR	
ROCKY MTN		1			1		2	
EASTERN							0	
SOUTHERN					5	2	7	
USA	1	6	1	1	51	25	85	

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA							NR	
NORTHWEST			600	0	0	4	604	
CA-NORTH					0	0	0	
CA-SOUTH					2,850	1,792	4,642	
NORTHERN	0				0	3	3	
GB-EAST		7				1	8	
GB-WEST		1					1	
SOUTHWEST							NR	
ROCKY MTN		0			0		0	
EASTERN							0	
SOUTHERN					117	9	126	
USA	0	8	600	0	2,967	1,809	5,384	

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	23	1	24	10	7	2	4		130	16
CA-NORTH	1	2	5	4		1		1		2
CA-SOUTH	39	54	95	156	21		10		200	151
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST		1	11	5	1					
GB-WEST			2		1					
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	1						1		3	
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	64	58	137	175	30	3	15	1	333	169

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	523	11	691
NORTHWEST	170	212	19	84	787	734	2,006
CA-NORTH	67	57	2	17	2,034	660	2,837
CA-SOUTH	31	283	3	41	3,064	651	4,073
NORTHERN	424	25	23	10	249	343	1,074
GB-EAST	26	342		34	177	361	940
GB-WEST		297		16	58	163	534
SOUTHWEST	760	151	17	66	747	1,449	3,190
ROCKY MTN	403	311	9	26	709	282	1,740
EASTERN	548			34	9,908	381	10,871
SOUTHERN	4		89	54	16,873	567	17,587
USA	2,439	1,764	213	396	35,129	5,602	45,543
10 YEAR AVERAGE							56,798

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	831,490	761,009	19,670	295,670	32	1,907,899
NORTHWEST	805	12,719	5,796	342	3,289	4,971	27,922
CA-NORTH	99	545	30	2,316	6,215	1,182	10,387
CA-SOUTH	570	7,574	2,418	57	22,275	82,270	115,164
NORTHERN	3,307	470	1,119	5	1,217	471	6,589
GB-EAST	40	26,067		38	7,162	805	34,112
GB-WEST		35,673		2	360	3,936	39,971
SOUTHWEST	4,434	4,510	1,769	1,658	118,950	13,662	144,983
ROCKY MTN	18,071	5,796	143	1,391	24,204	915	50,520
EASTERN	3,190			120	46,596	5,226	55,132
SOUTHERN	12		9,795	2,023	222,863	13,105	247,798
USA	30,556	924,844	782,079	27,622	748,801	126,575	2,640,477
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,254,891

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	10	957
	0	2,434

YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	105	10,126
ALBERTA	0	0	391	804
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	98	36,388
SASKATCHEWAN	1	0	461	3,849
MANITOBA	0	0	355	33,671
ONTARIO	6	1	1,444	27,954
QUEBEC	0	0	786	363,982
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	105	9,473
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	288	128
NOVA SCOTIA	2	0	305	478
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	31	93
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	51	298
TOTALS	21	1	5,377	489,678

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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