

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
WEDNESDAY JULY 9, 1997 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack activity increased in the Great Basin, Rocky Mountain and Southwest Areas. The Eastern Great Basin reported one new large fire. Containment objectives were attained on the Hemlock fire in southern California. Fire indices remain very high to extreme for numerous units throughout the southern half of the West.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire in southwest Alaska is threatening the villages of Sleetmute, Red Devil and Stony River. Winds are pushing the fire towards the villages. The Team met with villagers and began treating fuels and setting up pumps and hose around the villages. Black spruce and hardwood fuels lay between the fire and the villages.

GOLD CREEK, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wehking) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles north of Fairbanks near the Fort Knox Gold Mine. The fire received early morning rain yesterday, enabling crews to mop-up 50 feet inside the perimeter. Direct attack methods will be utilized. Plans are to release two crews today.

BUTTE CREEK, Fairbanks Area Forestry. Early morning showers slowed fire activity temporarily. Seventeen homes and cabins have been prepared for burnout operations. Pumps and hose have been installed. Acreage decrease is due to better mapping.

CAMP LAKE, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska State. This fire is between Tok and Northway. Crews continued to made good progress on the south and west flanks. Work remains on the east flank.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	172,100	0	UNK	69	3	0	1	3	NR	NR
GOLD CREEK	FAS	AK	1,280	60	7/10	196	9	0	1	0	NR	295K
BUTTE CREEK	FAS	AK	3,300	0	UNK	38	2	0	1	0	NR	NR
CAMP LAKE	TAS	AK	3,500	40	UNK	54	3	0	1	0	NR	NR

Alaska has 45 other large fires burning for a total of 746,157 acres.

EASTERN BASIN LARGE FIRES:

MEADOW CREEK, South-Central Idaho District, BLM. Containment was expected last night. No other information available.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D

MEADOW CREEK	SID	ID	500	90	7/8	33	0	7	0	0	NR	9K
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# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
HEMLOCK	BDF	CA	3,750	100	---	588	23	7	4	0	NR	1.6M

BDF = San Bernardino NF.

# OUTLOOK:

An upper trough and associated cold front remains over Alaska, producing unstable conditions throughout the interior. Clouds, scattered showers, and isolated thunderstorms are forecast for this area. Coastal temperatures will be in the 50's, with interior highs reaching the 60's and 70's.

California will continue to be warm and dry, with locally gusty afternoon winds. Isolated afternoon dry thunderstorms are possible over the central and southern Sierras. Temperatures will range from the 60's along the coast to 110 in the valleys and deserts.

Hot temperatures, dry conditions, and sunshine will dominate Arizona. Isolated dry thunderstorms are possible for the east-central and southeast mountains. Mountain temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's, with desert highs climbing to 110.

Colorado and New Mexico will have partly cloudy skies and scattered afternoon thunderstorms, especially over the mountains. Temperatures will range from the 60's and 70's in the mountains, to the 80's and 100's in the lower elevations.

Nevada will be partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon dry thunderstorms. Northern temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's, with southern desert temperatures reaching the 100's.

AREA	FIRES: Yesterday							TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS		
ALASKA		0	0	0	0		0	
NORTHWEST	2			1	3	2	8	
CA-NORTH					15	1	16	
CA-SOUTH		0			15	5	20	
NORTHERN		1				2	3	
GB-EAST		3			2	5	10	
GB-WEST		7		1		9	17	
SOUTHWEST							NR	
ROCKY MTN		12				10	22	
EASTERN					120		120	

SOUTHERN					13		13
USA	2	23	0	2	168	34	229

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		17,075	1,315	4,841	22,530		45,761
NORTHWEST	1			0	3	0	4
CA-NORTH					39	1	40
CA-SOUTH		10			124	1,448	1,582
NORTHERN		1				0	1
GB-EAST		501			1	2	504
GB-WEST		103		0		0	103
SOUTHWEST							NR
ROCKY MTN		68				6	74
EASTERN					78		78
SOUTHERN					1,509		1,509
USA	1	17,758	1,315	4,841	24,284	1,457	49,656

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	14	26			10	16	3	2	156	78
NORTHWEST									3	
CA-NORTH	2	3	1			1	1			
CA-SOUTH	37	13	29	14	9	2		7	86	39
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST			12	1	3					
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	4		15		4					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	57	42	57	15	26	19	4	9	245	117

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	47	36	9	426	9	533
NORTHWEST	70	57	4	14	121	152	418
CA-NORTH	41	24		11	1,221	248	1,545
CA-SOUTH	21	62	1	22	2,479	414	2,999
NORTHERN	278	11	19	1	70	64	443
GB-EAST	3	108		7	43	73	234
GB-WEST		102		13	34	54	203
SOUTHWEST	406	93	14	41	611	901	2,066
ROCKY MTN	250	112		16	252	152	782
EASTERN	548			19	8,198	331	9,096
SOUTHERN	4		68	42	16,273	530	16,917
USA	1,627	616	142	195	29,728	2,928	35,236

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	60,689	387,812	12,433	305,738	32	766,732
NORTHWEST	211	4,227	5	1	1,025	361	5,830
CA-NORTH	51	510		24	2,968	772	4,325
CA-SOUTH	148	3,499	1	9	16,343	9,823	29,823
NORTHERN	1,011	365	801		1,075	281	3,533
GB-EAST	27	7,038		16	5,255	120	12,456
GB-WEST		6,116		0	171	684	6,971
SOUTHWEST	1,636	3,582	1,690	881	112,724	8,818	129,331
ROCKY MTN	12,926	4,382		1,390	6,626	286	25,610
EASTERN	3,190			75	40,980	5,138	49,383
SOUTHERN	12		5,852	1,412	212,655	12,958	232,889
USA	19,240	90,408	396,161	16,241	705,560	39,273	1,266,883
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,135,073

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES				
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	6	0	369	994
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	79	6,250
ALBERTA	29	0	276	687
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	42	5,632
SASKATCHEWAN	1	19	187	1,972
MANITOBA	7	24	211	8,120
ONTARIO	1	48	746	25,880
QUEBEC	7	0	536	242,561
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	0	53	8,374
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	0	170	94
NOVA SCOTIA	5	3	156	413
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	28	93
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	18	70
TOTALS	63	94	2,871	301,140

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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