

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack and large fire activity increased in the Alaska and Northwest Areas. Alaska mobilized a Type II Incident Management Team to the Oskawalik fire. NICC processed resource orders for a Type II Incident Management Team, smokejumpers and miscellaneous overhead for Alaska. Fire danger remains high to extreme for numerous units in the western Geographic Areas and New Jersey.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Ketcher) transitioned with another Type II Incident Management Team (Dube) yesterday. Fire activity increased along the southwest perimeter. Red Devil, Sleetmute, and Stony River all received light precipitation, but fuels remain dry. Structure protection continues around native allotments at the George River. The Team will also assume responsibility of the Devil fire, 3 miles south of Red Devil, AK. Firefighters made good progress on the Devil fire and it is 70% contained.

OSKAWALIK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wehking) is assigned. The fire is burning in tundra and spruce 30 miles southwest of Red Devil, AK. The perimeter was extremely active yesterday. The Kuskokwim and Oskawalik rivers provide natural boundaries on the western and northern perimeters.

CHINIKLIK MOUNTAIN, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. This fire is in the lower Yukon near Russian Mission, AK. Active fire behavior was observed, despite the light rain that was received. Firefighters will conduct burnout operations from the east side of Carnation Creek.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
INOWAK	SWS	AK	469,150	0	UNK	238	10	0	3	3	UNK	1.1M
OSKAWALIK	SWS	AK	1,028	0	UNK	7	0	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
CHINIKLIK MT	SWS	AK	800	0	UNK	113	5	0	0	0	UNK	UNK

Alaska has 45 other large fires burning for a total of 1,312,362 acres.

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

COREFU, Columbia NWR. This fire is near Othello, WA. Firefighters made good progress toward containment objectives. No problems are anticipated.

CEDAR MOUNTAIN, Vale District, BLM. This fire is located 30 miles northwest of Arock, OR. Current threats include winter range land and a Wilderness Study Area.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS					LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
COREFU	CBR	WA	5,000	75	7/23	89	2	7	2	0	NR	NR	
CEDAR MT	VAD	OR	1,100	50	7/23	98	2	14	3	0	NR	NR	

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

HALF MOON #1, Ocala NF. This fire is burning in heavy prairie fuels 20 miles east of Ocala, FL. Bucket work assisted firefighters in suppression efforts. Burnout operations were conducted yesterday. Current threats include two subdivisions which border the prairie. Full containment was expected last night.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D	
HALF MOON #1	OCF	FL	150	50	7/22	40	0	7	1	0	NR	NR	

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$	
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D	
SCHOOL	TUU	CA	500	100	---	85				0	6.5K	NR	

TUU = Tulare Ranger Unit, California State

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$	
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D	
PAHCOON	CCD	UT	2,000	100	---	119	4	4	1	0	NR	NR	
BUCKSKIN	CCD	UT	250	100	---	55	2	6	1	0	NR	NR	

CCD = Cedar City District, BLM

SOUTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

RAIDER, Sante Fe NF. No other information was received. This will be the last report.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$	
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D	
RAIDER	SNF	NM	225	50	7/25	104	4	4	1	0	NR	75K	

OUTLOOK:

Alaska will have scattered showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures will be in the 50's and 60's along the coast, and in the 70's for the interior.

California, Colorado, the Great Basin and the Southwest will be partly cloudy with scattered, mostly wet, thunderstorms. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, and the 90's to 107 in the valleys and Arizona deserts.

Oregon and Washington will be dry and warm. Temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's east of the Cascade mountains.

New Jersey will be partly cloudy in the north and cloudy with afternoon rain showers in the south. Temperatures across the state will be in the 70's.

FIRES: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA		3	5	0	8		16	
NORTHWEST	15	8	1		5	13	42	
CA-NORTH					20		20	
CA-SOUTH					18	1	19	
NORTHERN					7	9	16	
GB-EAST		3			2	2	7	
GB-WEST		2					2	
SOUTHWEST	6				3	14	23	
ROCKY MTN		7				3	10	
EASTERN							0	
SOUTHERN					2	1	3	
USA	21	23	6	0	65	43	158	

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday								
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL	
ALASKA			69,611	50	3,423		73,084	
NORTHWEST	104	1,233	5,000		3	3	6,343	
CA-NORTH					138		138	
CA-SOUTH					499	0	499	
NORTHERN					0	0	0	
GB-EAST		251			1	7	259	
GB-WEST		0					0	
SOUTHWEST	4				4	2	10	
ROCKY MTN		6			2		8	
EASTERN							0	
SOUTHERN					17	150	167	
USA	108	257	74,611	50	4,087	162	80,508	

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	15			6	4	2	2	74	44
NORTHWEST	9		20		5				19	
CA-NORTH		3		1		1		1		
CA-SOUTH		2	1		1					
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	6		11		6		1		81	48
GB-WEST	1									
SOUTHWEST	1		13		4					
ROCKY MTN	1		13		1					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN			7		1				5	
USA	31	20	65	1	24	5	3	3	179	92

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	65	45	10	468	9	603
NORTHWEST	100	93	7	19	423	237	879
CA-NORTH	59	26	1	11	1,460	294	1,851
CA-SOUTH	29	70	1	31	2,524	485	3,140
NORTHERN	316	19	22	2	102	108	569
GB-EAST	5	224		11	94	156	490
GB-WEST		129		16	36	78	259
SOUTHWEST	773	111	16	56	676	1,154	2,786
ROCKY MTN	299	246	1	24	680	230	1,480
EASTERN	562			20	8,558	340	9,480
SOUTHERN	4		75	44	16,636	542	17,301
USA	2,153	983	168	244	31,657	3,633	38,838
10 YEAR AVERAGE							48,236

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	519,896	535,939	18,333	266,722	32	1,340,950
NORTHWEST	335	4,935	5,207	1	1,786	366	12,630
CA-NORTH	90	511	1	24	4,181	787	5,594
CA-SOUTH	555	3,561	1	50	17,751	10,105	32,023
NORTHERN	1,117	487	1,104		1,086	283	4,077
GB-EAST	39	19,539		37	5,865	392	25,872
GB-WEST		23,084		2	183	690	23,959
SOUTHWEST	6,835	3,633	1,769	936	114,418	9,997	137,588
ROCKY MTN	14,284	5,654	20	1,391	24,192	811	46,352
EASTERN	3,220			75	55,072	5,118	63,485
SOUTHERN	12		7,274	1,413	218,466	13,192	240,357
USA	26,515	581,300	551,315	22,262	709,722	41,773	1,932,887
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,502,323

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	15	415
	0	1,012

YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	90	10,124
ALBERTA	2	1	291	745
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	14	78	11,852
SASKATCHEWAN	1	0	260	2,475
MANITOBA	0	0	259	9,486
ONTARIO	6	0	845	26,117
QUEBEC	4	1	570	321,969
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	65	8,707
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	2	184	96
NOVA SCOTIA	6	1	196	451
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	28	93
NATIONAL PARKS	2	0	19	276
TOTALS	41	19	3,300	393,403

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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