

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1997 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Firefighters continue to make good progress on the large fires in Alaska. Initial attack activity increased substantially in the Northern California and Northwest Areas. Southern California reported one new large fire. Containment objectives were achieved on the large fires in the Northwest Area. Numerous units throughout the western United States continue to report high to extreme fire danger.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

SIMELS, Galena District, BLM. This fire is on the east side of the Innoko Flats, between Galena and McGrath. Suppression efforts are concentrated on two slopovers which have the potential to threaten two mining communities. Significant fire behavior was observed on the northern slopover.

CHINIKLIK MOUNTAIN, Galena District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Wehking) is assigned. This fire is in the lower Yukon near Russian. Favorable weather conditions allowed crews to make excellent progress toward containment objectives.

PAIMIUT, Galena District, BLM. This fire is being managed by the Type II Incident Management Team assigned to the Chiniklik fire. The fire is in the Lower Yukon area, between Russian Mission and Holy Cross. Crews continued to make good progress on line construction. Afternoon temperatures slightly increased fire activity.

INOWAK, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Dube) is assigned. Higher temperatures and lower relative humidity have increased fire behavior. Firefighters continued to improve line construction along the southern perimeter. A structure protection and evacuation plan is being developed for Crooked Creek, AK.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
SIMELS	GAD	AK	342,000	0	UNK	49	3	0	2	0	NR	99K
CHINIKLIK MTN	GAD	AK	3,340	20	8/03	220	8	0	3	0	NR	408K
PAIMIUT	GAD	AK	1,200	25	8/03	80	4	0	1	0	NR	NR
INOWAK	SWS	AK	480,000	0	UNK	341	13	0	5	3	NR	2.1M

Alaska has 48 other large fires burning for a total of 1,402,149 acres.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
BAUTISTA	BDF	CA	140	100	---	0	0	2	1	0	NR	NR

BDF = San Bernardino NF

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
BULL	WWF	OR	400	100	---	104	4	0	4	0	NR	NR
LOGY COW CAMP	YAA	WA	200	100	---	177	6	16	0	0	NR	NR
WWF = Wallowa Whitman NF								YAA = Yakima Agency, BIA				

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED ***
*** IN EASTERN WASHINGTON FOR THUNDERSTORM ACTIVITY ***

Oregon and Washington will be mostly sunny west of the Cascade mountains. Partly cloudy skies with scattered afternoon and evening wet thunderstorms are possible east of the Cascades. Temperatures will be in the 70's to mid 80's west of the Cascades. Highs will reach the 80's and 90's east of the Cascade mountains and in the southwest Oregon valleys.

California will be mostly sunny. Scattered afternoon and evening wet thunderstorms are predicted for the northern mountains and Sierra Nevada range. Mountain temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's, with valley highs in the 80's and 90's, and southern desert temperatures reaching 105.

Nevada and Utah will have scattered afternoon and evening wet thunderstorms. Colorado and New Mexico will have numerous showers and thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, the 80's and 90's in the valleys, and up to 105 in the southern Nevada deserts.

Arizona will be partly cloudy and warm. Scattered afternoon thunderstorms are possible in the central and eastern mountains. Isolated thunderstorms are forecast for the western portion of the state. Temperatures will range from the 70's in the mountains to 108 in the deserts.

The Alaska interior will be partly cloudy with scattered wet thunderstorms. The southwest coast will be mostly cloudy with areas of rain. Temperatures will be in the 60's and 70's across the state.

FIRES:				Yesterday			
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		1			3		4
NORTHWEST	1	9			6	20	36
CA-NORTH		11			41	48	100
CA-SOUTH	1	2			15	5	23
NORTHERN	1				3	12	16
GB-EAST		4				2	6

GB-WEST		10			1	5	16
SOUTHWEST				1	7	10	18
ROCKY MTN							NR
EASTERN					10	3	13
SOUTHERN							0
USA	3	37	0	1	86	105	232

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		1,200			800		2,000
NORTHWEST	5	8			1	400	414
CA-NORTH		10			11	44	65
CA-SOUTH	15	0			49	0	64
NORTHERN	1				8	2	11
GB-EAST		0				1	1
GB-WEST		219			0	0	219
SOUTHWEST				1	3,303	2	3,306
ROCKY MTN							NR
EASTERN					33	49	82
SOUTHERN							0
USA	21	229	0	1	4,205	498	6,162

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	24	12			5	10	2	2	115	50
NORTHWEST	2		23		3				9	
CA-NORTH	4	10	39	12	5	5	1			10
CA-SOUTH	17	19	22	12	10	0	1			
NORTHERN			2							
GB-EAST		1	4		2					
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST					2					
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	47	42	90	24	27	15	4	2	124	60

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	78	46	10	483	9	632
NORTHWEST	111	123	13	21	459	308	1,035
CA-NORTH	67	42	1	13	1,585	402	2,110
CA-SOUTH	30	74	2	35	2,535	511	3,187
NORTHERN	326	21	22	1	124	142	636
GB-EAST	6	248		10	102	187	553
GB-WEST		176		16	43	93	328
SOUTHWEST	810	114	16	57	690	1,244	2,931

ROCKY MTN	323	278	1	25	686	266	1,579
EASTERN	548			23	8,755	344	9,670
SOUTHERN	4		78	44	16,648	545	17,319
USA	2,231	1,154	179	255	32,110	4,051	39,980
10 YEAR AVERAGE							49,901

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	535,397	532,385	18,333	271,468	32	1,357,643
NORTHWEST	470	5,757	5,611	2	1,811	809	14,460
CA-NORTH	99	524	1	24	4,392	852	5,892
CA-SOUTH	568	3,662	18	53	18,714	10,190	33,205
NORTHERN	2,270	487	1,104	0	1,128	302	5,291
GB-EAST	40	21,586		37	5,936	405	28,004
GB-WEST		23,860		2	183	932	24,977
SOUTHWEST	7,291	3,633	1,769	937	117,729	10,174	141,533
ROCKY MTN	14,284	5,654	20	1,391	24,192	811	46,352
EASTERN	3,220			76	55,072	5,148	63,516
SOUTHERN	12		7,274	1,413	218,466	13,192	240,357
USA	28,282	600,560	548,182	22,268	719,091	42,847	1,961,230
10 YEAR AVERAGE							1,691,764

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES				
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	5	0	461	1,014
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	92	10,124
ALBERTA	1	0	311	750
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	6	40	87	11,867
SASKATCHEWAN	0	103	283	2,600
MANITOBA	1	1	269	9,599
ONTARIO	8	185	932	26,897
QUEBEC	5	349	615	366,050
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	69	8,725
NEW BRUNSWICK	4	1	217	116
NOVA SCOTIA	9	0	232	460
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	28	93
NATIONAL PARKS	2	6	23	282
TOTALS	41	685	3,619	438,577

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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