

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1997 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity occurred in the Northern Rockies. Minor initial attack activity was reported elsewhere. Very high fire indices continue to be reported on several units in the Southern California, Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies Areas.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

HUBBARD, Charles M. Russell NWR. This lightning fire is burning in Pinyon Juniper and grass approximately 95 miles northeast of Lewistown, MT. The fire is exhibiting erratic fire behavior due to high winds. A major concern in addition to the high winds are bow hunters in the area. The fire is burning near the Ice Cream Butte fire which is 100 acres. These two fires are expected to burn together.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$	C-T-D
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS		
HUBBARD	CMR	MT	800	0	9/18	100	4	8	0	0	UNK	25K	

OUTLOOK:

Central and southern California will be partly cloudy. A cold front passing through northern California will bring mostly cloudy skies and scattered showers. There will be areas of coastal fog and low clouds. High temperatures will be in the mid 60's and 70's along the coast, 60's and 70's in the mountains, and 80's to 100 in the inland valleys and deserts.

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN NEVADA FOR STRONG, GUSTY SOUTHWEST WINDS ASSOCIATED WITH A COLD FRONT. Nevada will be partly cloudy and windy with a few afternoon showers in the north. Central and southern Nevada will be mostly sunny. High temperatures will be in the 70's to lower 80's in the north and upper 80's to near 100 in the south.

Utah will be partly cloudy with isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms in the southern mountains. High temperatures will range from 75 to 85 and near 90 in the extreme south.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							NR
NORTHWEST							0
CA-NORTH					4	2	6
CA-SOUTH					16	1	17

NORTHERN	3		2		1	3	9
GB-EAST					1	3	4
GB-WEST					1		1
SOUTHWEST	1					2	3
ROCKY MTN		1			1	3	5
EASTERN						1	1
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	4	1	2	0	24	15	46

AREA	BIA	ACRES BURNED: Yesterday		TOTAL	NR
		BLM	FWS		
ALASKA					0
NORTHWEST					2
CA-NORTH				2	0
CA-SOUTH				2	0
NORTHERN	5		900		908
GB-EAST				0	0
GB-WEST				7	7
SOUTHWEST	0				0
ROCKY MTN				3	4
EASTERN					0
SOUTHERN					NR
USA	5	0	900	0	923

AREA	RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources							
	CREWS	ENGINES	HELICOP.	AIRTNK.	OVERHEAD		FED	ST/O
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA								
NORTHWEST				2				
CA-NORTH		2			2			
CA-SOUTH			2	1	1			
NORTHERN	5		11					
GB-EAST			2					
GB-WEST		3						
SOUTHWEST								
ROCKY MTN								
EASTERN								
SOUTHERN								
USA	5	2	16	2	3	3	0	1
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	52	14	530	11	699
NORTHWEST	194	321	20	92	1,047	999	2,673
CA-NORTH	78	62	1	18	2,313	774	3,246
CA-SOUTH	44	330	3	50	3,325	804	4,556
NORTHERN	469	32	30	27	347	578	1,483
GB-EAST	26	483		13	297	528	1,347

GB-WEST		371		17	71	183	642
SOUTHWEST	790	177	18	82	810	1,635	3,512
ROCKY MTN	484	379	16	29	756	350	2,014
EASTERN	550			34	9,916	400	10,900
SOUTHERN	4		98	56	20,871	636	21,665
USA	2,645	2,241	238	432	40,283	6,898	52,737
10 YEAR AVERAGE							
							62,691

AREA	BIA	ACRES BURNED:			Year to date		
		BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	833,991	761,110	19,670	295,526	32	1,910,357
NORTHWEST	977	20,728	6,573	375	5,121	5,179	38,953
CA-NORTH	106	571	30	2,316	6,646	1,371	11,040
CA-SOUTH	575	13,303	2,419	54	32,019	92,411	140,781
NORTHERN	3,681	482	2,092	6	1,428	709	8,398
GB-EAST	24	43,411		42	10,008	4,114	57,599
GB-WEST		37,105		2	418	4,831	42,356
SOUTHWEST	4,444	4,590	1,778	1,848	123,335	13,908	149,903
ROCKY MTN	4,281	8,047	151	1,393	24,321	1,750	39,943
EASTERN	3,191			120	47,056	5,226	55,593
SOUTHERN	12		10,728	2,110	249,876	32,296	295,022
USA	17,319	962,228	784,881	27,936	795,754	161,827	2,749,945
10 YEAR AVERAGE							
							2,841,620

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY	YEAR TO DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA		1,075 2,446
YUKON TERRITORY		107 10,127
ALBERTA		405 818
NORTHWEST TERRITORY		102 46,113
SASKATCHEWAN		476 3,867
MANITOBA		362 33,799
ONTARIO		1,522 29,602
QUEBEC		810 364,934
NEWFOUNDLAND		109 9,473
NEW BRUNSWICK		306 131
NOVA SCOTIA		324 522
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND		32 93
NATIONAL PARKS		51 298
TOTALS	0 0	5,681 502,223

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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