

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1997 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION: Large fire activity increased in the Southern California and Northern Rockies Areas. Minimal fire activity occurred elsewhere. Very high and extreme fire indices were reported on several units in Southern California. Multiple units in the Western Great Basin and Northern Rockies continue to report very high fire indices.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

KEEN, San Bernardino NF. This arson caused fire is burning 3 miles south of Idyllwild, CA. A mobile home park and scattered residences are threatened. Highway 74 is closed between Mountain Center and Lake Hemet. Highway 243 is closed between Banning and Pine Cove. No other information was reported.

POPPET, Riverside Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. This fire is burning 3 miles south of Banning, CA. Five mobile homes have been destroyed with numerous others threatened. No other information was reported.

CITY CREEK, San Bernardino NF. This arson caused fire is burning 4 miles north of Highland, CA. Good progress was made on the fire. Highway 330 was reopened at 1600 yesterday afternoon.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
KEEN	BDF	CA	150	0	UNK	251	8	26	3	0	NR	NR
POPPET	RRU	CA	1,500	30	9/24	249	6	20	1	7	NR	NR
CITY CREEK	BDF	CA	425	90	9/24	595	32	3	4	0	NR	NR
WILDWOOD	BDU	CA	940	100	---	517	20	39	2	0	NR	NR

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
CHARLIE	BFA	MT	1,500	100	---	13	0	4	0	0	NR	NR

BFA = Blackfeet Agency, BIA

OUTLOOK:

California will be mostly sunny in the northern and central portions. Southern California will have increasing high clouds associated with Hurricane Nora. Dry and warmer than normal conditions will prevail. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, the 80's and 90's in the coastal valleys, and up to 105 in the interior valleys and deserts.

Washington and Oregon will be sunny, dry and warmer than normal. East

winds up to 20 MPH are possible in the Washington Cascades this morning. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in Washington, and the 80's and 90's in Oregon.

Nevada and Utah will have sunny skies. High temperatures will range from the 70's in the northern portions to the 90's in the south.

Montana will be dry and sunny with warmer than normal temperatures. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's across the state.

A large low pressure system will cover most of the southeastern states. Florida will be partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Numerous showers and thunderstorms are predicted from Georgia to eastern Texas. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's for most areas, with Florida highs reaching into the 90's.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							NR
NORTHWEST		2					2
CA-NORTH						3	3
CA-SOUTH				1	1	3	5
NORTHERN	3					1	4
GB-EAST						1	1
GB-WEST		1					1
SOUTHWEST							0
ROCKY MTN							0
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					13		13
USA	3	3	0	1	14	8	29

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			0				NR
NORTHWEST						0	0
CA-NORTH						0	0
CA-SOUTH				70	1,500	426	1,996
NORTHERN	1,502					0	1,502
GB-EAST						1	1
GB-WEST		0					0
SOUTHWEST							0
ROCKY MTN							0
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					67		67
USA	1,502	0	0	70	1,567	427	3,566

AREA	RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources					
	CREWS	ENGINES	HELICOP.	AIRTNK.	OVERHEAD	
	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O	FED	ST/O
ALASKA						
NORTHWEST						

CA-NORTH	2		4								
CA-SOUTH	19	68	25	67	10	5	6	8	52	73	
NORTHERN	1		14						1		
GB-EAST			3		1						
GB-WEST											
SOUTHWEST											
ROCKY MTN											
EASTERN											
SOUTHERN											
USA	22	68	46	67	11	5	6	8	53	73	
	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	195	325	20	93	1,153	1,018	2,804
CA-NORTH	78	62	1	18	2,369	796	3,324
CA-SOUTH	45	371	3	50	3,403	822	4,694
NORTHERN	488	33	30	27	349	588	1,515
GB-EAST	26	484		13	289	556	1,360
GB-WEST		377		17	71	183	648
SOUTHWEST	792	177	18	82	810	1,643	3,522
ROCKY MTN	487	381	16	34	764	356	2,038
EASTERN	550			34	9,917	400	10,901
SOUTHERN	4		100	63	21,935	674	22,776
USA	2,671	2,296	240	445	41,590	7,047	54,281
10 YEAR AVERAGE							63,561

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	28	833,991	761,110	19,670	295,526	32	1,910,357
NORTHWEST	976	20,728	6,573	375	5,737	5,180	39,569
CA-NORTH	106	571	30	2,316	6,795	1,382	11,200
CA-SOUTH	576	15,769	2,419	54	32,273	92,940	144,031
NORTHERN	5,322	570	2,097	6	2,493	745	11,233
GB-EAST	24	43,411		42	10,021	4,300	57,798
GB-WEST		37,201		2	418	4,772	42,393
SOUTHWEST	4,444	4,590	1,778	1,848	123,335	13,968	149,963
ROCKY MTN	4,284	8,049	151	1,395	24,410	1,825	40,114
EASTERN	3,191			120	47,056	5,230	55,597
SOUTHERN	12		9,343	3,500	258,181	17,142	288,178
USA	18,963	964,880	783,501	29,328	806,245	147,516	2,750,433
10 YEAR AVERAGE							2,931,492

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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