

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1998 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack fire activity was moderate. Favorable weather has allowed firefighters to make good progress toward containment objectives on large fires. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for equipment, crews and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme indices were reported in Texas, Minnesota, Michigan, Montana, Wyoming, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and California.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. The fires are burning at 6,500-7,000 feet, approximately twenty miles west of Salmon. This complex is made up of the Bear Basin and Sheepeater fires. Favorable conditions allowed direct attack on the Bear Basin fire. Due to difficult terrain and limited access, indirect attack and large scale burnouts are planned for the Sheepeater fire.

LOOPSEM CREEK, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) is assigned. This fire is located two miles south of Yellow Pine. A line has been completed around the perimeter of the fire.

MAIN SALMON COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (O'Brien) is assigned. This complex is located 40 miles west northwest of Salmon. The complex consists of eleven fires burning in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness on the Salmon-Challis, Payette, Nez Perce and Bitterroot National Forests. Cooler temperatures and lighter winds minimized the fires spread. Isolated frost at higher elevations was observed. Helicopter bucket work continued on spot fires from the Cayuse fire.

JACKASS, Salmon-Challis NF. This fire is 30 miles southwest of Salmon. No acreage increase was reported, but the fire was said to be active and spotted across Yellow Jacket Creek.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
NORTH FORK COMP	CF	ID	960	30	8/26	341	10	10	5	0	UNK	198K
LOOPSEM CREEK	OF	ID	108	75	8/20	390	13	0	7	0	UNK	807K
MAIN SALMON COM	F*	ID	7,722	0	10/15	83	1	5	2	0	0K	277K
JACKASS	CF	ID	780	NR	10/15	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	UNK	UNK
CEDAR VALLEY II	WS	UT	400	100	----	16	0	7	0	0	UNK	UNK

* Primary ordering office location.

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

NORTH 25, Wenatchee NF. This fire is located 27 miles northwest of Chelan. Crews have begun rehabilitation work.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
GORGE	IF	OR	255	100	----	347	10	10	4	UNK	UNK	1.3M
NORTH 25	EF	WA	7,670	80	UNK	216	5	8	5	UNK	UNK	5.5M

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
EMPIRE	CD	NV	738	100	----	3	0	1	0	0	NR	NR

OUTLOOK:

Weather for the western U.S. calls for locally breezy southwest to northwest winds and isolated thunderstorms in the Northern Rockies, Great Basin and California. Scattered wet thunderstorms will continue over Arizona, New Mexico, southeast Utah, Colorado, northern Wyoming and southeast Montana. High temperatures will range from the 70's to 80's in the Northwest and Northern Rockies. The remainder of the West will have highs in the 90's to 109 in the valleys and deserts, with 70's and 80's in the mountains.

NR = NOT REPORTED UNK = UNKNOWN

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES				2		2
	ACRES				0		0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	2	1		4	5	12
	ACRES	0	0		0	1	1
CA-NORTH	FIRES				29		29
	ACRES				1,117		1,117
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	2	1		12	3	18
	ACRES	18	0		3	0	21
NORTHERN	FIRES	1	1		9	8	19
	ACRES	1	5		54	2	62
GB-EAST	FIRES		5		0	4	9
	ACRES		51		50	1	102
GB-WEST	FIRES		7		3	2	12
	ACRES		11		15	15	41
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						0
	ACRES						0

ROCKY MTN	FIRES		4			1	4	9
	ACRES		101			0	1	102
EASTERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					8		8
	ACRES					93		93
TOTAL	FIRES	5	19	0	0	68	27	119
	ACRES	19	168	0	0	1,332	20	1,539

* = NO REPORT

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	3	26	7	3	315	5	359
	ACRES	1	56,645	51	21	63,969	1	120,688
NORTHWEST	FIRES	238	196	7	10	995	1,060	2,506
	ACRES	15,778	68,812	358	12	4,074	10,293	99,327
CA-NORTH	FIRES	98	22	2	11	1,168	343	1,644
	ACRES	99	1,080	9,701	5	8,342	194	19,421
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	42	87		27	1,554	398	2,108
	ACRES	734	1,668		16	17,990	1,457	21,865
NORTHERN	FIRES	663	58	35	7	320	587	1,670
	ACRES	5,498	1,625	7,514	34	5,083	2,926	22,680
GB-EAST	FIRES	35	425		14	200	466	1,140
	ACRES	260	101,878		66	18,371	4,604	125,179
GB-WEST	FIRES		360	1	16	61	123	561
	ACRES		53,960	0	3	151	803	54,917
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1,530	113	14	73	856	1,136	3,722
	ACRES	10,775	5,371	2,933	6,061	95,147	12,539	132,826
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	371	269	30	28	661	291	1,650
	ACRES	1,969	3,071	129	824	8,025	2,724	16,742
EASTERN	FIRES	501			48	10,541	430	11,520
	ACRES	9,816			338	75,721	5,954	91,829
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		76	50	26,947	890	27,971
	ACRES	35		27,382	8,083	002,277	80,026	1,117,803
TOTALS	FIRES	3,489	1,556	172	287	43,618	5,729	54,851
	ACRES	44,965	294,110	48,068	15,463	299,150	121,521	1,823,277
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								56,381
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2,358,437

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0

CA-NORTH	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			177				177
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	177	0	0	1	178

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						2,643	2,643
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						290	290
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	2,933	2,933

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational uses. Official totals may be obtained by contacting the Agencies directly.

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	12	605	1,909	62,116
YUKON TERRITORY	3	721	183	307,872
ALBERTA	4	5,652	1,434	502,273
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	0	387	1,336,863
SASKATCHEWAN	1	1,001	1,118	840,544
MANITOBA	5	360	434	272,845
ONTARIO	41	8	1,930	155,757
QUEBEC	9	7	713	347,913
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	192	34,497
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	254	281
NOVA SCOTIA	2	3	316	364
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND		0	16	66
NATIONAL PARKS	1	6,892	685	32,436
TOTALS	82	15,249	9,571	3,893,827

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES:

Area	Crews Fed	Crews ST/OT	Engs Fed	Engs ST/OT	Heli Fed	Heli ST/OT	Airt Fed	Airt ST/OT	Ovrhd Fed	Ovrhd ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	12	5	6	12	1	9			139	23
CA-NORTH		2	2	4	1					2
CA-SOUTH	1		1							
NORTHERN	2		8	13	1				37	6
GB-EAST	38	1	32	2	17	9	2		262	29
GB-WEST			3		1					
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	2		6		2					
EASTERN			2						1	3
SOUTHERN	1	3	15	147	1	21		7		
TOTAL	56	11	75	178	24	39	2	7	439	63

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