

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 1998 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Large fire activity increased in the Great Basin yesterday. Initial attack activity was high in the Northern Rockies and Northwest Areas. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for a mobile caterer and shower unit, aircraft, equipment, crews and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme indices were reported in Texas, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, California, Arizona, South Dakota and Colorado.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

SPRING, Central Land Office, Montana State. This lightning caused fire is burning in a roadless area 40 miles north of Helena. Good progress was made on the fire yesterday. A small amount of precipitation aided suppression efforts.

PACK TRAIL, Bitterroot NF. This fire is located 10 miles east of Sula. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is assigned. The east flank continues to actively burn as crews continue to make progress along the west flank. Demobilization has begun.

WEST FORK WILDERNESS FIRES, Bitterroot NF. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (Wallace) is assigned. Minor activity occurred due to overcast, lower temperatures and higher relative humidities.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	LOSS	C-T-D
SPRING	TS	MT	125	80	8/24	153	5	7	1	0	UNK	65K
PACK TRAIL	RF	MT	95	20	UNK	171	5	0	2	0	UNK	244K
W. FORK WILDERN	RF	MT	1,444	0	UNK	40	0	0	1	0	0	139K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

LAID LOW, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Carr) has been assigned. This fire is burning in an area of heavy bug kill 12 miles northwest of Stanley. High winds are causing containment problems.

PARIS PEAK, Caribou NF. This fire is located seven miles west of Paris. High winds caused the fire to escape containment lines. Retardant was ineffective due to heavy fuels and high winds. Dozer access is limited due to terrain. The fire is currently threatening a timber sale area and is near a timber blow down area.

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is assigned. These fires are located approximately 20 miles northwest of Salmon. The Long Tom fire has been contained. A slopover

occurred on the Sheepeater fire but was successfully controlled by helicopters and hand crews. High winds continue to hamper firefighting efforts on the Upper Ebb. The Horse Creek Butte, Little Cayuse, Baby Cayuse and Broomtail fires, all in the Frank Church River of No Return wilderness remain unstaffed.

MAIN SALMON COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (O'Brien) is assigned. This complex is 40 miles west northwest of Salmon. The complex consists of 14 fires burning in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness on the Salmon-Challis, Payette, Nez Perce and Bitterroot National Forests. Strong winds associated with a cold front passage increased activity in areas exposed to the winds. Cooler temperatures, higher relative humidity and isolated showers decreased activity elsewhere. A burnout is planned for Gattin Ranch.

JACKASS, Salmon-Challis NF. This fire is 30 miles southwest of Salmon. No new information was received. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LAID LOW	CF	ID	60	UNK	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	UNK	UNK
PARIS PEAK	AF	ID	102	0	8/24	78	3	6	2	0	UNK	UNK
NORTH FORK COMP	CF	ID	6,406	UNK	UNK	758	21	20	11	0	UNK	2.4K
MAIN SALMON COM	F*	ID	10,943	0	10/15	59	1	0	1	0	0K	478K
JACKASS	CF	ID	900	0	10/15	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	UNK	UNK

* Primary ordering office location.

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

MM272, Northern Region, Nevada State. This fire is burning in sage and grass 36 miles east of Battle Mountain. Structure engines are currently protecting two structures.

BOULDER VALLEY, Elko District, BLM. The fire is located 25 miles north of Battle Mountain. Strong winds pushed the fire into gullies, steep terrain, and heavy fuels limiting engine access. Additional crews and engines have been ordered.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MM272	VS	NV	1,250	UNK	UNK	267	13	2	1	0	NR	NR
BOULDER VALLEY	KD	NV	2,000	50	8/24	111	3	8	2	0	NR	NR

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

NORTH 25, Wenatchee NF. This fire is located 27 miles northwest of Chelan. Rehabilitation work is continuing. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
NORTH 25	EF	WA	7,910	80	11/15	149	3	6	5	UNK	UNK	5.8M
CHICKEN SPRINGS	UD	OR	800	NR	8/23	75	2	6	2	UNK	UNK	UNK
TRESTLE	RD	OR	450	75	8/24	75	2	6	2	UNK	UNK	UNK
KAISER CANYON	OA	WA	1,200	100	----	16	0	5	1	UNK	UNK	UNK

BUD = Burns District, BLM
COA = Colville Agency, BIA

PRD = Prineville District, BLM

OUTLOOK:

A southwesterly flow aloft will exist over the northern half of the western United States with an upper level ridge of high pressure over the southern tier of the West. Montana will have scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Drier air will spread into Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Scattered afternoon thunderstorms will prevail over portions of Arizona, New Mexico, and the southern portions of Utah and Colorado. California and Nevada will remain dry.
High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the coastal and mountain locations with 90's to 108 elsewhere.

NR = NOT REPORTED UNK = UNKNOWN

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			12	13	26
	ACRES		125			84	5	214
CA-NORTH	FIRES					21	3	24
	ACRES					221	0	221
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		1			31	4	36
	ACRES		6			22	1	29
NORTHERN	FIRES	6	3			6	43	58
	ACRES	47	22			3	23	95
GB-EAST	FIRES		1			1	8	10
	ACRES		2			0	64	66
GB-WEST	FIRES		4			1		5
	ACRES		2,205			1,250		3,455
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					119		119
TOTAL	FIRES	6	11	0	0	79	73	169

ACRES	47	2,360	0	0	1,699	93	4,199
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 * = NO REPORT

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	3	26	7	3	321	5	365
	ACRES	1	56,646	51	21	63,988	1	120,708
NORTHWEST	FIRES	219	224	8	11	1,117	1,306	2,885
	ACRES	16,377	69,166	358	12	4,685	10,811	101,409
CA-NORTH	FIRES	101	23	2	11	1,250	393	1,780
	ACRES	103	1,080	9,701	5	9,727	204	20,820
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	49	88	2	31	1,667	422	2,259
	ACRES	939	2,674	164	16	18,144	2,205	24,142
NORTHERN	FIRES	690	63	35	7	377	908	2,080
	ACRES	6,169	1,648	7,514	34	5,864	3,443	24,672
GB-EAST	FIRES	36	434		16	205	520	1,211
	ACRES	260	102,854		66	18,372	10,458	132,010
GB-WEST	FIRES		373	1	18	64	123	579
	ACRES		56,220	0	3	1,351	803	58,377
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1,543	114	14	76	861	1,162	3,770
	ACRES	11,008	5,371	2,933	6,068	95,259	13,618	134,257
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	372	282	30	28	661	294	1,667
	ACRES	1,972	3,135	129	824	8,025	2,811	16,896
EASTERN	FIRES	501			53	10,551	439	11,544
	ACRES	9,816			340	75,773	5,976	91,905
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		78	50	27,903	899	28,938
	ACRES	35		27,384	8,083	031,829	80,101	1,147,432
TOTALS	FIRES	3,522	1,627	177	304	44,977	6,471	57,078
	ACRES	46,680	298,794	48,234	15,472	333,017	130,431	1,872,628
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								57,512
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2,492,511

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							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0

GB-WEST	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
	FIRES						1	1
SOUTHERN	ACRES						17	17
	FIRES							0
TOTAL	ACRES							0
	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	17	17

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						7	7
	ACRES						38	38
GB-EAST	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,322	1,322
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	8	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1,360	1,360

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	0	0	1,932	62,135
YUKON TERRITORY	1	4	189	360,963
ALBERTA	14	0	1,471	540,059
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	392	1,349,436
SASKATCHEWAN	2	1	1,127	845,161
MANITOBA	2	60	444	273,423
ONTARIO	7	529	2,033	156,343
QUEBEC	15	3	762	357,198
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	193	34,504
NEW BRUNSWICK	4	1	269	284
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	320	365
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	16	66
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	90	30,481
TOTALS	46	598	9,238	4,010,418

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		1								
NORTHWEST	19	3	23	13	13	9			116	3
CA-NORTH	2	4	3	3	1	1				2
CA-SOUTH					1					
NORTHERN	39	1	27	19	18	6			123	53
GB-EAST	26	4	27	12	24				251	38
GB-WEST	7	26	16	13	6				121	269
SOUTHWEST	1		2			1				
ROCKY MTN	1		2		1					
EASTERN										5
SOUTHERN	1	3	15	116	1	21		4		
TOTAL	96	42	115	176	65	38	0	4	611	370

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