

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 1998 - 0530 MDT

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL IV

CURRENT SITUATION:

Large fire activity continued in the Southern Area. Good progress was made on fires in Alaska and the Eastern Great Basin Areas. New large fires were reported in the Southwest Area. Increased fire activity occurred in the Northwest Area. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for a Type I Incident Management Team, equipment, engines, aircraft, crews and miscellaneous overhead for the Southern Area. Radios, a caterer and shower were mobilized for the Southwest Area. Miscellaneous overhead and 3 crews were ordered by the Northwest Area. Very high and extreme fire indices were reported in Florida, Georgia, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Utah, California and Nevada.

In Alabama, a Alabama State Forestry Commission employee died of an apparent heart attack while constructing fireline.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

FLAGLER/ST. JOHNS COMPLEX, Florida State, Flagler and St. Johns Counties. This complex is under Unified Command with a Type I Incident Management Team (Hutchinson). The evacuation order for Flagler County was lifted yesterday and residents have returned. Containment and mop-up efforts are focused on the continuing threats to residential areas. Weather conditions are favorable and burn-out operations will continue.

ORLANDO COMPLEX, Florida State, Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) is assigned. The Farmton fire continues to threaten structures and businesses near Interstate 95. Low relative humidity and live fuel moisture, high temperatures and unpredictable winds continue to pose control problems.

VOLUSIA COMPLEX, Florida State, Volusia County. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kearney) is assigned. Unified Command is in effect with Florida State. The Lafayette fire increased 1,500 acres. Three fires in the complex are now being managed under the Orlando Complex.

CHIPOLA COMPLEX, Florida State, Bay County. This complex is located three miles north of Panama City. Some residences were evacuated as the fire moved in and around structures. No structures were reported lost. Control problems are extensive spotting in dry swamp fuels. State Route 77 was closed due to smoke.

JACKSONVILLE COMPLEX 2, Florida State, Nassau, Duval and Clay Counties. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) is assigned. This fire is being managed under Unified Command. Acreage increase is due to better mapping. No other information was reported.

SUWANNEE COMPLEX, Florida State, Columbia, Union, Bradford and Baker Counties. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is assigned. Unified Command is in effect with Florida State. The largest uncontained fire in the complex is 15 acres. Scattered precipitation was received on the fire. A feller/buncher operation in a burned area resulted in a new fire which briefly threatened a log deck. Aggressive initial attack kept damage to a minimum.

WITHLACOOCHEE, Florida State, Hernando, Pasco, Lake Sumter and Citrus Counties. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kennedy) is assigned. The well that was drilled has not proved to be a reliable water source.

OAK HEAD COMPLEX, Osceola National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Greenhoe) is assigned. These fires are 20 miles north of Lake City. Crews continue to mop-up in the Big Gum Swamp Wilderness.

MERRITT ISLAND COMPLEX, Merritt Island NWR. This fire is in Brevard County at the Kennedy Space Center. Mop-up efforts are continuing to reduce smoke along Highway 50.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ CTD
FLAGLER/ST.JOHN	FLS	FL	92,476	NR	UNK	1,285	25	166	15	60	4.3M	3M
ORLANDO COMPLEX	FLS	FL	79,983	23	7/20	822	13	106	7	35	2M	2.7M
VOLUSIA COMPLEX	FLS	FL	108,830	25	UNK	1,140	17	118	0	20	40M	3.2M
CHIPOLA COMPLEX	FLS	FL	900	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
JACKSONVILLE 2	FLS	FL	16,119	86	UNK	301	7	6	0	1	NR	1M
SUWANEE COMPLEX	FLS	FL	16,376	99	7/15	99	1	6	1	1	21M	2.6M
WITHLACOOCHEE	FLS	FL	2,304	90	7/10	78	2	1	0	0	NR	725K
OAK HEAD COMPLX	FNF	FL	20,370	95	7/10	170	4	4	0	0	NR	4M
MERRITT ISLAND	MIR	FL	4,987	80	UNK	34	0	7	2	0	NR	UNK
VALLE DE ORO	TXS	TX	1,200	100	UNK	5	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
FLO	TXS	TX	1,320	100		NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

MIDWAY, Alaska State. This fire is on the north side of the Alaska Highway between Tok and Northway. Crews completed a burnout along the Alaska Highway. Crews used direct attack and were successful in suppressing numerous spot fires.

CARLA LAKE, Fort Greely Army Base. A Type II Incident Management Team (Swaim) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles southwest of Delta Junction. Slightly cooler temperatures and higher relative humidities have aided suppression efforts. Crews completed securing the entire perimeter edge in one division.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ CTD
MIDWAY LAKE	AKS	AK	400	25	7/7	201	8	0	2	0	UNK	103K
CARLA LAKE	DDQ	AK	60,520	NR	UNK	105	5	0	3	1	NR	15M
MILL	TNF	AK	276	100	--	125	5	1	0	0	NR	264K

SOUTHWEST LARGE FIRE:

SOUTH DIKE, Havasu NWR. This human caused fire is burning ten miles south of Needles, CA. The fire is burning in salt cedar, tamarisk and brush. Winds and inaccessibility are primary control problems. Southwest Willow Flycatcher habitat and refuge farm buildings are threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ CTD
SOUTH DIKE	HVR	AZ	1,800	50	UNK	59	0	12	2	0	0	UNK

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ CTD
FAUST	SLD	UT	6,549	100		129	5	7	1	0	UNK	198K

OUTLOOK:

Florida and southern Georgia will be partly cloudy and hot with scattered thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 90's.

Southern Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and western Texas will be partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms. High temperatures will range from the upper 70's in the mountains to 108 in the valleys and deserts.

Alaska will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Coastal temperatures will be in the 50's with interior highs up to 70.

Colorado will be mostly cloudy in the mountains. Southern Colorado will have scattered showers and thunderstorms. Northern and eastern Colorado will have widely scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Temperatures will be in the 70's and low 80's in the mountains and 85 to 95 elsewhere.

NR = NOT REPORTED UNK = UNKNOWN

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1			3		4
	ACRES		0			4,660		4,660
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			2	2	5
	ACRES		5			0	51	56
CA-NORTH	FIRES	13				20	1	34
	ACRES	8				67	0	75
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					24	5	29

	ACRES					44	0	44
NORTHERN	FIRES	2					3	5
	ACRES	0					0	0
GB-EAST	FIRE		5			3	3	11
	ACRES		8			1	1	10
GB-WEST	FIRES		3					3
	ACRES		19					19
SOUTHWEST	FIRES			1	1	7	2	11
	ACRES			0	0	190	0	190
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	1					5	6
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES				1	169		170
	ACRES				20	3,837		3,857
TOTAL	FIRES	16	10	1	2	228	17	274
	ACRES	9	32	0	20	8,799	57	8,917

* = NO REPORT

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	22	3	2	281	3	313

	ACRES	1	61,953	7	17	25,001	1	86,980
NORTHWEST	FIRES	69	35	2	4	206	134	450
	ACRES	11,418	10,323	4,500	0	438	81	26,760
CA-NORTH	FIRES	38	3		2	340	68	451
	ACRES	46	0		0	317	69	432
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	26	47	1	6	729	154	963
	ACRES	148	837	165	3	1,945	425	3,523
NORTHERN	FIRES	502	11	28		119	107	767
	ACRES	2,664	1,612	7,123		4,442	1,878	17,719
GB-EAST	FIRES	17	137		2	61	50	267
	ACRES	66	28,461		5	1,615	544	30,691
GB-WEST	FIRES		50		11	7	24	92
	ACRES		524		1	5	5	535
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1,267	67	15	37	707	555	2,648
	ACRES	5,418	4,466	9	5,982	81,269	5,144	102,288
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	268	76	23		345	129	841
	ACRES	1,426	1,254	126		3,081	2,461	8,348
EASTERN	FIRES	499			12	8,157	341	9,009
	ACRES	9,814			174	67,043	5,585	82,616
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		58	465	21,302	751	22,584
	ACRES	35		16,217	80,210	838,031	77,547	1,012,040

TOTALS	FIRES	2,696	448	130	541	32,254	2,316	38,385
	ACRES	31,036	109,430	28,147	86,392	1,023,187	93,740	1,371,932
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								43,806
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								1,109,016

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	50	1					51
	ACRES	3,163	0					3,163
CA-NORTH	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						30	30
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
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	50	1	0	0	0	1	52
	ACRES	3,163	0	0	0	0	30	3,193

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 YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	43	809	669	4,214
YUKON TERRITORY	8	9,054	120	85,876
ALBERTA	7	171	841	371,538
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	21	5,545	141	182,864
SASKATCHEWAN	5	4,402	640	259,566
MANITOBA	6	3,568	226	23,325
ONTARIO	16	307	958	85,446
QUEBEC	0	1,100	506	103,132

NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	160	13,583
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	156	262
NOVA SCOTIA			243	300
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			16	66
NATIONAL PARKS	3	16	50	1,535
TOTALS	111	24,972	4,726	1,131,707

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	10	15	1	1	5	6			94	49
NORTHWEST	2		5		2			1	10	
CA-NORTH	3		13		2					
CA-SOUTH					1		1			
NORTHERN					1					
GB-EAST	6	4	23	6	5		1		6	
GB-WEST			5		1					
SOUTHWEST	3		10	8	2				26	33
ROCKY MTN	7		8		5				30	
EASTERN										5
SOUTHERN*	58	23	204	305	23	20			805	387
TOTAL	89	42	269	320	47	26	2	1	971	474

*Resource commitments were not reported from many fires in the Southern Area.

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