

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 1999 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL IV

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in most areas. New large fire activity was reported in the Southern California, Eastern Great Basin, Northern Rockies and Southern Areas. Large fire activity continued in the Northern California, Southern California, Eastern Great Basin, Western Great Basin, Northwest, and Southern Areas. Competition exists for airtankers, leadplanes, type I and II helicopters and type I crews. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized airtankers, helicopters, lead planes, infrared aircraft, telecommunications equipment, caterer, shower unit, crews, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

PINE, Riverside Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. This fire is located on Highway 243 at the junction of Twin Pine Road near the town of Silent Valley. The fire is burning on the east side of Highway 243. If the firefighters cannot get fireline around the fire by sunrise, the concern is that the fire will extend up Black Mountain.

WILLOW, San Bernardino National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. This fire is located near Willow Creek northeast of Lake Arrowhead. Heavy fuels and strong winds are causing control problems. The communities of Lake Arrowhead and Squints Ranch are threatened. Endangered plants and animals in the Deep Creek Riparian area are also threatened.

MIXING, San Bernardino National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Conrad) is assigned. This fire is located on Highway 243 near Mountain Center, CA. Baldy Mt. Trailer Park has been evacuated. Highway 74 has been reopened to accommodate a community jazz festival. Structures in Mountain Center and Lake Hemet are threatened. Red cross has set up a shelter in the town of Idyllwild. The fire burned activity through the night.

BRIDGE, Angeles National Forest. This fire is located on Highway 39 north of the city of Azusa, CA. Control problems include extreme winds, spotting and an inversion causing low visibility.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
PINE	CA	RRU	2065	28	UNK	772	25	47	6	NR	NR	NR
WILLOW	CA	BDF	2000	0	UNK	299	7	21	2	NR	NR	NR
MIXING	CA	BDF	2500	33	UNK	371	19	47	4	NR	NR	NR

BRIDGE	CA	ANF	500	UNK	UNK	NR	6	16	1	NR	NR	NR
PILOT	CA	STF	4028	100	----	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
SHINN	CA	ANF	600	100	----	40	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CAMUSA	CA	LPF	180	100	----	190	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

STF = Stanislaus National Forest
 ANF = Angeles National Forest
 LPF = Los Padres National Forest

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES

SHASTA-TRINITY COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. A California Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This complex consists of the Rock (700 acres), East (288 acres), Mammoth (500 acres), Burney LCA (118 acres), Donkey (60 acres) and Backbone (20 acres) fires. The Spring fire is burning in an off road vehicle park recreation area. Crews are working to keep the fire out of the Iron Mountain Mine area, which is an Environment Protection Agency toxic superfund site.

BUTTE COMPLEX, Butte Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. A California Department of Forestry Team (Walters) is assigned. This complex consists of the Musty Buck, Cohasset, Doe Mill, Bloomer, Union, South, Woodland Park and Sycamore. No other information was reported.

MHRD COMPLEX, Plumas National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Giachino) is assigned. The complex consists of nine fires of which three are contained. State Highway 70 and County Road 414 are closed. Current threats are to structures in the communities of Storrie, Tobin, Rock Crest and Dixie Valley.

FRRD COMPLEX, Plumas National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Hutchinson) is assigned. This complex consists of six lightning fires north and west of Lake Oroville. The Mosquito Ridge fire was contained. Burning operations were completed on the Bean and Devils Gap fires. Hand and dozer firelines continue to be constructed and improved.

HIGH COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Foster) is assigned. Unified Command with California Department of Forestry (Young) is in effect. This complex consists of 19 lightning fires 22 miles north of Redding. A water system for approximately 30 residences at Lakeshore was shut off as a result of a broken or burned pipeline.

YELLOW PINE COMPLEX, Modoc National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Weltch) is assigned. This complex consists of the Yellow (4,669 acres), Pine (22,272 acres) and Boles (523 acres) fires which are 20 miles south of Tulalake. A major burnout operation was conducted on the Pine fire to reinforce seven miles of dozer constructed fireline.

BIG BAR COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bacon) is assigned. This complex is 28 miles northwest of Weaverville. The complex consists of five lightning fires, the Onion (2,582 acres), Fawn (1,710 acres), Soldier/Megram (255 acres) and Dee s (1

acre). There is concern for anadromous fishery in the New River and a blowdown tree area one mile west of the fire. The Soldier/Megram fire has progressed to Virgin Creek.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SHASTA-TRINITY	CA	SHU	2500	50	8/30	600	22	25	5	0	NR	NR
BUTTE COMPLEX	CA	BTU	32879	85	8/30	2382	61	198	0	0	1.6M	4.0M
MHRD COMPLEX	CA	PNF	10412	20	UNK	1578	43	20	7	0	NR	3.7M
FRRD COMPLEX	CA	PNF	3650	43	UNK	787	34	49	9	0	NR	1.7M
HIGH COMPLEX	CA	SHF	18500	10	UNK	1706	55	78	9	0	NR	NR
YELLOW PINE COM	CA	MDF	26941	50	UNK	433	10	24	2	0	NR	1.2M
BIG BAR COMPLEX	CA	SHF	4527	19	UNK	867	24	29	7	0	NR	NR
WILLOW	CA	LMU	7000	100	----	617	18	33	0	0	NR	1.2M

LMU = Lassen-Modoc Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry.

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SELLEM, Ely Field Office, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This fire is 80 miles southwest of Ely, NV. The fire started on BLM land and spread to USFS land. Most of the fire is now on Forest Service. Fire behavior observations include rapid spread with crowing in dense pinyon pine and juniper on the northwest flank. Crews made excellent progress on the east, south, and west flanks. Current threats are to wildlife habitat, range allotments and Grant Range Wilderness.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SELLEM	NV	ELD	10000	50	8/31	315	11	6	2	0	NR	NR
FISH COMPLEX	NV	CCD	45000	100	----	43	1	5	1	0	NR	935K

CCD = Carson City Field Office, BLM.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN FIRES:

FLAT, Salt Lake District, BLM. This fire is located 40 miles west of Salt Lake City, UT. Extremely low fuel moisture caused extreme fire behavior. The fire made a major run up Peepstone Canyon. Use of airtankers kept the fire from escaping from the drainage.

NICKY, Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, BLM. The fire escaped through firelines when thunder cells produced extreme winds. Good progress was made today. MARBLEHEAD, Salt Lake District, BLM. This fire is located 45 miles west of Salt Lake City, UT. Intense winds and flashy fuels are contributing to rapid rates of spread. Burnout operations are planned.

WAPI, Upper Snake River District, South-Central Idaho Area, BLM. This fire is burning 13 miles west of American Falls, ID, in grass and sage. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

CLAY PIT II, Northwest, Utah State. This fire is fourteen miles east of Provo, Ut. Wind and steep terrain caused extreme fire behavior. Airtanker operations kept the fire from communication sites.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
FLAT	UT	SLD	3000	75	8/30	32	0	6	2	0	NR	NR
NICKY	ID	IFD	350	50	8/30	70	2	10	0	0	NR	NR
MARBLEHEAD	UT	SLD	750	50	UNK	10	0	5	0	0	NR	NR
WAPI	ID	SID	1618	UNK	UNK	80	2	7	1	0	NR	NR
CLAY PIT II	UT	NWS	400	0	UNK	28	0	4	0	0	NR	NR

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT 64, Spokane Agency BIA, Washington State. This fire is located five miles southwest of Wellpinit, WA. The fire is burning in timber, with spotting occurring from strong winds.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
INCIDENT 64	WA	SPA	100	80	8/30	50	2		0	0	NR	NR
MAJOR II	WA	SES	270	100	----	343	14	15	1	1	NR	300K
BADGER	OR	SHR	40896	100	----	178	9	6	3	0	NR	1.7M

SHR = Sheldon-Hart National Wildlife Refuge, FWS.

SES = Southeast, Washington State

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES

ASH CREEK, Crow Agency, BIA. This fire is located near Wyola, MT. Initial attack is in progress.

ANACONDA, Glacier National Park, NPS. This fire is located near West Glacier, MT. This lightning ignited wildland fire to accomplish resource objectives. Moderate fire activity was observed yesterday. North Fork Road is closed between Camas and Logging Creek until future notice.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ASH CREEK	MT	CRA	300	UNK	UNK	UNK	0	2	2	NR	NR	NR
ANACONDA	MT	GNP	250	UNK	UNK	20	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

TOPEKA, Texas State. This fire is located 22 miles northwest of Lampasas, TX. Firefighting resources continue to mopup and patrol along the firelines.

PITCHFORK, Texas State. A Texas State Incident Management Team (Davis) is assigned. This fire is located in King County, TX. Heavy fuel loading is contributing to control problems.

MCCORMACK, Texas State. This fire is located ten miles north of Lake Meredith Recreation Area, TX. Heavy fuel, gusty winds and rough terrain are contributing to control problems.

RUDD ROAD, Texas State. This fire is located 35 miles northeast of El Dorado, TX. Gusty winds and dry fuels are contributing to control problems. This fire is expected to be contained last night.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TOPEKA	TX	TXS	1700	90	8/30	8	0	0	0	NR	NR	NR
PITCHFORK	TX	TXS	1500	20	UNK	46	0	3	0	NR	NR	NR
MCCORMACK	TX	TXS	2000	50	8/30	40	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
RUDD ROAD	TX	TXS	400	75	8/29	10	0	3	0	0	NR	NR
WILLHAM	TX	TXS	1100	100	----	20	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING IS POSTED FOR INLAND NORTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA FOR STRONG SOUTHWEST WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY. ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR NORTHERN IDAHO AND WESTERN MONTANA FOR GUSTY WINDS. ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR UTAH FOR STRONG AND GUSTY SOUTHWEST WINDS AND ISOLATED DRY LIGHTNING. ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR MOST OF NEVADA FOR STRONG GUSTY SOUTHWEST WINDS. ***

A deep upper level trough will move over the Pacific Northwest during the day. A surface low pressure center will form over northern Montana with a trailing cold front moving across the Great Basin and inland Northwest. The front will lay along the Idaho, Washington, Oregon border. Strong southwest winds will blow over the Great Basin and northern California ahead of the front, then shifting to the west. Numerous wet showers with a few wet thunderstorms and snow in the high Cascade Mountains will accompany the trough over Washington, Oregon, western Montana, northern and central Idaho.

The front will trigger isolated showers and thunderstorms over California

and Nevada. The main monsoonal moisture axis will bring numerous wet thunderstorms to Arizona, with scattered monsoonal thunderstorms over New Mexico and Colorado. On the fringes of the deeper monsoonal moisture, isolated thunderstorms are expected over Wyoming and eastern Idaho. Over Utah the monsoonal flow will interact with the front for isolated dry thunderstorms.

Temperatures will be much cooler over the Northwest with high temperatures in the 60's and 70's. Temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the northern great basin, with 90's to 103 in the southern Great Basin of Utah and Nevada.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1		1	0	1	5	8
	ACRES	588		0	1	5	1	595
CA-NORTH	FIRES					22	2	24
	ACRES					35	14808	14843
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	2				20	4	26
	ACRES	18500				1500	500	20500
NORTHERN	FIRES	4	1			6	9	20
	ACRES	312	0			5	1	318
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	2			2	5	10
	ACRES	350	2413			400	5	3168
GB-WEST	FIRES		4			1	4	9
	ACRES		22			0	0	22
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					2	6	8
	ACRES					4	17	21
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		8			1	3	12
	ACRES		2			0	0	2
EASTERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
SOUTHERN	FIRES					19	6	25
	ACRES					5601	11	5612
TOTAL	FIRES	8	15	1	0	74	45	143
	ACRES	19750	2437	0	1	7550	15344	45082

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	42	31	13	386	0	474
	ACRES	1	301525	285194	155932	277772	0	1020424
NORTHWEST	FIRES	331	355	16	46	1378	1259	3385

	ACRES	7848	28229	44629	90	7044	4093	91933
CA-NORTH	FIRES	122	49	7	22	2542	933	3675
	ACRES	188	14001	33	130	59246	68256	141854
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	63	136	9	50	2483	759	3500
	ACRES	1626	6290	12	13950	23093	25709	70680
NORTHERN	FIRE	473	61	15	11	692	1194	2446
	ACRES	5253	4992	130	2	39312	5536	55225
GB-EAST	FIRES	55	655		20	251	605	1586
	ACRES	4647	370430		38	38823	5984	419922
GB-WEST	FIRES	31	591	3	5	81	175	886
	ACRES	755	1392030	116	3	25632	15924	1434460
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	792	119	9	45	757	1408	3130
	ACRES	13082	27133	225	410	69302	11426	121578
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	479	377	33	43	950	222	2104
	ACRES	8813	12871	705	49	51767	2871	77076
EASTERN	FIRES	513			85	14471	315	15384
	ACRES	2947			810	91843	4256	99856
SOUTHERN	FIRES	36		70	97	31865	944	33012
	ACRES	667		21456	11126	609617	45034	687900
TOTALS	FIRES	2897	2385	193	437	55856	7814	69582
	ACRES	45827	2157501	352500	182540	1293451	189089	4220908
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								58128
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2483328

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL

ALASKA	FIRES		2	6		6	1	15
	ACRES		39929	1409		1960	1000	44298
NORTHWEST	FIRES	61	48	27	8		331	475
	ACRES	6441	14190	4113	258		56943	81945
CA-NORTH	FIRES	10	5	15	6		114	150
	ACRES	52	943	5754	195		29143	36087
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		5	11	19		232	267
	ACRES		930	1828	2659		15660	21077
NORTHERN	FIRES	61	12	98	1	24	396	592
	ACRES	2455	6116	14723	472	4777	46101	74644
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	26	2	8	9	48	94
	ACRES	950	15871	1860	4089	3385	43465	69620
GB-WEST	FIRES		5		13	1	2	21
	ACRES		4788		2400	1000	80	8268
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	54	28	23	22	14	277	418
	ACRES	33589	30146	19304	9057	1205	72860	166161
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	3	33	98	16	36	86	272
	ACRES	175	14981	13383	1945	1935	31241	63660
EASTERN	FIRES	7			12	6	178	203
	ACRES	378			2502	2009	19024	23913
SOUTHERN	FIRES			169	51	265	1064	1549
	ACRES			79789	50579	17264	730386	878018
USA TOTALS	FIRES	197	164	449	156	361	2729	4056

ACRES	44040	127894	142163	74156	33535	1045903	1467691
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WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				166			166
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						34	34
NORTHERN	FIRES				0		2	2
	ACRES				130		0	130
GB-EAST	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	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
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	296	0	34	330

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		20		1		2	23
	ACRES		10		166		0	176
CA-NORTH	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				19		11	30
	ACRES				9883		651	10534
NORTHERN	FIRES				7		72	79
	ACRES				253		216	469
GB-EAST	FIRES		2		10		41	53
	ACRES		2		125		4972	5099
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0

SOUTHWEST	FIRES				9	1	1	11
	ACRES				7828	10	50	7888
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		22		6		6	34
	ACRES		1327		184		3	1514
EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
SOUTHERN	FIRES				23			23
	ACRES				3870			3870
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	44	0	75	1	136	256
	ACRES	0	1339	0	22309	10	5892	29550

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational use. 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			987	7703
YUKON TERRITORY			159	185941
ALBERTA	3	0	1165	117782
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			174	533529
SASKATCHEWAN	8		714	177679
MANITOBA	10	6402	566	115072
ONTARIO	11	839	869	311957
QUEBEC	20	34	852	95578
NEWFOUNDLAND			214	43490
NEW BRUNSWICK			557	1249
NOVA SCOTIA			413	1695
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			25	57
NATIONAL PARKS			40	65368
TOTALS	52	7275	6735	1657100

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	7	32	18	31	4	2			88	225
CA-NORTH	155	155	128	434	19	43	2	3	757	725
CA-SOUTH	20	10	35	17	10				188	88
NORTHERN	11	2	19	3	9	1			37	1
GB-EAST	4		20	10	8	2	1		2	2
GB-WEST	11	1	1	12	3				43	3
SOUTHWEST	1			14						18
ROCKY MTN			7		2					

EASTERN											
SOUTHERN	10		2	5					18	1	
TOTAL	219	200	230	526	55	48	3	3	1133	1063	

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