

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1999 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Moderate initial attack activity was reported in California, with light activity elsewhere. Containment objectives were reached on most existing large fires in the California and Southern Areas. In addition to the fires reported below in Alaska's large fire narratives, the state has 48 fires burning in limited and modified protection areas for a total of 643,000 acres. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized an air tanker, a lead plane, a smokejumper aircraft, radio equipment, and miscellaneous overhead. High to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, California, Oregon, Washington, and Nevada.

ALASKA LARGE FIRES:

KINK, Northern Field Office, BLM - Upper Yukon Zone. This fire was started by lightning on June 12 and is currently burning three miles north of Chicken, Alaska. Crews are working to create defensible space around cabins near the fire and suppressing spots across the river from the main fire. A dozer line around the town of Chicken has been completed.

ROUNABOUT MOUNTAIN, Koyukuk NWR - Galena Zone. This lightning-ignited fire started ten miles south of Huslia, Alaska. Crews made good progress on containing a 40 acre spot fire across the Koyukuk River from the main fire. Spotting and torching continue to cause control problems.

JACKSON, Alaska State - Tanana Zone. This fire is burning in black spruce ten miles east of Tanana, Alaska. Crews made significant progress at the south end of the fire yesterday, despite very little water available for the pumps. A hoselay is being placed on the left flank.

PITCHUK, Alaska State - Tanana Zone. This fire is seven miles southwest of Bettles, Alaska. Intermittent torching and flare-ups occurred yesterday. Crews were assisted by helicopter bucket work along the left flank.

MARSHALL CREEK, Alaska State - Tanana Zone. This fire was started by lightning on July 2, eight miles southwest of Rampart, Alaska. Native allotment protection operations were initiated when the fire spread toward allotments to the north. Crews and smokejumpers are currently working to protect allotments on the east side of the fire. Plans are to initiate action to defend the allotments down the Yukon River from the fire. Higher relative humidity and light showers yesterday aided the efforts of the firefighters.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTAL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOSS | EST LOSS | \$\$\$ C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|--------|----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| KINK | AK | NOD | 00,000 | 0 | UNK | 78 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | NR | 340K |
| ROUNABOUT MTN. | AK | KUK | 4,330 | 0 | UNK | 101 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 0 | NR | NR |
| JACKSON | AK | AKS | 600 | 0 | UNK | 106 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | NR | NR |

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|----------------|----|-----|--------|---|-----|----|---|---|---|---|----|----|
| PITCHUK | AK | AKS | 120 | 0 | UNK | 63 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | NR | NR |
| MARSHALL CREEK | AK | AKS | 20,000 | 0 | UNK | 88 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | NR | NR |

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRE:

LANG SYNE, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This fire is south of Winnemucca, NV and is burning in grass, sage and juniper. Crews are concentrating on mopping up the northwestern part of the fire, with the support of helicopter bucket work. Challenges to containment include steep, rugged terrain, dry fuels, and strong winds.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTAL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST LOSS | \$\$\$ C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|------|-------------|-----------------|
| LANG SYNE | NV | WID | 24,340 | 65 | 7/15 | 425 | 14 | 20 | 3 | 0 | NR | 1.03M |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

49, Madera-Mariposa-Merced Ranger Unit, Calif. Dept. of Forestry. This lightning caused fire is burning near Coulterville, CA. Steep terrain and high temperatures are causing control problems. Several structures remain threatened.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTAL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST LOSS | \$\$\$ C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|-------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|------|-------------|-----------------|
| 49 | CA | MMU | 400 | 95 | 7/15 | 150 | 11 | 20 | 3 | 0 | NR | 200K |
| WATTS | CA | FKU | 1,000 | 100 | --- | 68 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | NR | NR |
| CONEJOS | CA | CNF | 298 | 100 | --- | 89 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 350K |

FKU = Fresno-Kings Ranger Unit, California Dept. of Forestry
 CNF = Cleveland National Forest

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRE:

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTAL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST LOSS | \$\$\$ C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|------|-------------|-----------------|
| ROUTE 42 | VA | VAF | 141 | 100 | --- | 110 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | 135K |

VAF = George Washington and Jefferson National Forests

OUTLOOK:

An upper level trough over the northwestern states will bring scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms to northwest Montana, northern Idaho and northeastern Washington. A few showers are expected over northern

Oregon with drizzle in Washington west of the Cascades. The associated surface cold front will be moving into the Great Plains during the day. The northern tier states will experience high temperatures only in the 70's and 80's.

Lingering monsoonal moisture will cause isolated to widely scattered wet thunderstorms over Utah, Wyoming, and southern Nevada. The main axis of deeper monsoonal moisture will produce scattered wet thunderstorms over Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado, with high temperatures in the 80's and 90's. Mountain areas will be in the 70's, while the southwest desert temperatures reach 104.

Except for low clouds and fog along the coast with highs in the 70's, California will be mostly sunny with highs in the 80's and 90's. Lowest minimum relative humidities will be found in the central valley and deserts of California with 5 to 15 percent readings possible.

Significant winds will blow east of the Cascades at 10 to 20 MPH in southern Oregon and northwest Nevada. On the lee side of the northern Rocky Mountains, in western Wyoming and eastern Montana, winds will be 10 to 25 MPH.

In Alaska, the Mat-Su Valley and McGrath will be mostly cloudy with scattered showers and highs in the 60's. The Upper Yukon and Northern Region will be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and widely scattered thunderstorms, with highs in the upper 70's and minimum humidities of 35 to 45 percent. The Tanana Zone will be cloudy with showers and highs in the 70's.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|-----|-----|-------|-----|-------|------|-------|
| ALASKA | FIRES | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | | 14 |
| | ACRES | | 540 | 2,499 | 123 | 864 | | 4,026 |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES | | 1 | 1 | | 12 | 4 | 18 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | 50 | | 42 | 81 | 173 |
| CA-NORTH | FIRES | | | | | 43 | 38 | 81 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 43 | 72 | 115 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | | 3 | | 3 | 22 | 16 | 44 |
| | ACRES | | 20 | | 1 | 446 | 1 | 468 |
| NORTHERN | FIRES | 1 | | | | 7 | 1 | 9 |
| | ACRES | 0 | | | | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | | 3 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | | 0 | 550 | 5 | 555 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | 50 | | | | 50 |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | 1 | | | 1 | 4 | 11 | 17 |
| | ACRES | 3 | | | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | | 3 | | | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | 150 | | | 0 | 1 | 151 |
| EASTERN | FIRES | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 0 | | 0 |
| SOUTHERN | FIRES | | | | | 10 | | 10 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 295 | | 295 |

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|-------|-------|---|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|
| TOTAL | FIRES | 2 | 11 | 4 | 7 | 112 | 72 | 208 |
| | ACRES | 3 | 710 | 2,599 | 124 | 2,248 | 162 | 5,846 |

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|------------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|
| ALASKA | FIRES | 2 | 37 | 24 | 12 | 367 | | 442 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 291,541 | 254,681 | 134,724 | 238,874 | | 919,821 |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES | 110 | 60 | 6 | | 554 | 160 | 890 |
| | ACRES | 2,066 | 3,459 | 2,000 | | 2,509 | 3,278 | 13,312 |
| CA-NORTH | FIRES | 73 | 7 | 6 | 14 | 1,575 | 298 | 1,973 |
| | ACRES | 58 | 6 | 33 | 34 | 8,035 | 1,372 | 9,538 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | 33 | 80 | 7 | 27 | 1,683 | 926 | 2,756 |
| | ACRES | 830 | 1,004 | 11 | 13,947 | 15,020 | 4,744 | 35,556 |
| NORTHERN | FIRES | 309 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 258 | 187 | 772 |
| | ACRES | 3,808 | 127 | 63 | 2 | 3,941 | 918 | 8,859 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | 25 | 318 | | 12 | 118 | 150 | 623 |
| | ACRES | 1,192 | 126,152 | | 7 | 8,668 | 22,430 | 158,449 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | 13 | 155 | 3 | 4 | 37 | 79 | 291 |
| | ACRES | 726 | 147,231 | 166 | 3 | 4,955 | 230 | 153,311 |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | 663 | 112 | 8 | 28 | 687 | 1,190 | 2,688 |
| | ACRES | 7,259 | 23,197 | 225 | 371 | 67,367 | 11,333 | 109,752 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | 331 | 238 | 27 | 17 | 604 | 136 | 1,353 |
| | ACRES | 5,444 | 6,998 | 660 | 12 | 35,391 | 1,052 | 49,557 |
| EASTERN | FIRES | 513 | | | 71 | 12,399 | 275 | 13,258 |
| | ACRES | 2,947 | | | 726 | 86,021 | 4,062 | 93,756 |
| SOUTHERN | FIRES | 34 | | 58 | 100 | 27,281 | 761 | 28,234 |
| | ACRES | 626 | | 18,773 | 13,731 | 522,210 | 42,485 | 597,825 |
| TOTALS | FIRES | 2,106 | 1,015 | 147 | 287 | 45,563 | 4,162 | 53,280 |
| | ACRES | 24,957 | 599,715 | 276,612 | 163,557 | 992,991 | 91,904 | 2,149,736 |
| TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES | | | | | | | | 44,786 |
| TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES | | | | | | | | 1,408,403 |

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 | | | | | | 820 | 820 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHERN | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |

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|-----------|-------|---|---|---|----|---|-----|-----|
| SOUTHWEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| ROCKY MTN | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | FIRES | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| EASTERN | ACRES | | | | 39 | | | 39 |
| | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHERN | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| TOTAL | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 820 | 859 |

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 | | | | 3 | | | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | | 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 |
| USA TOTALS | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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 | Hectares | Fires | Hectares |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| | Last Week | Last Week | Year-to-date | Year-to-date |

| | | | | |
|----------------------|----|-------|-------|---------|
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 6 | 574 | 356 | 2,476 |
| YUKON TERRITORY | 0 | 0 | 73 | 96,000 |
| ALBERTA | 3 | 208 | 587 | 74,637 |
| NORTHWEST TERRITORY | 1 | 64 | 85 | 98,524 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 2 | 1,501 | 395 | 48,908 |
| MANITOBA | 6 | 0 | 388 | 89,451 |
| ONTARIO | 4 | 4 | 556 | 306,255 |
| QUEBEC | 8 | 5 | 614 | 92,046 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 2 | 4 | 186 | 42,737 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 0 | 0 | 457 | 1,267 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 4 | 0 | 331 | 1,637 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 0 | 0 | 23 | 76 |
| NATIONAL PARKS | 0 | 0 | 24 | 65,325 |
| TOTALS | 36 | 2,360 | 4,075 | 919,339 |

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 | 29 | 7 | | | 16 | | | | 58 | 7 |
| NORTHWEST | 5 | | 23 | | 1 | | | | 16 | |
| CA-NORTH | 8 | 29 | 39 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 83 |
| CA-SOUTH | 14 | 23 | 39 | 31 | 4 | 9 | 1 | | 36 | 17 |
| NORTHERN | 1 | 2 | 45 | 23 | 3 | 2 | | | 3 | |
| GB-EAST | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | | | 6 | |
| GB-WEST | 10 | 4 | 12 | 9 | | 3 | | | 66 | 4 |
| SOUTHWEST | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 2 | |
| ROCKY MTN | | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN | | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTHERN | 2 | | 4 | | | | | | 49 | 4 |
| TOTAL | 73 | 67 | 166 | 84 | 30 | 21 | 5 | 4 | 238 | 115 |

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