

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY, JULY 24, 1999 - 0900 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Moderate initial attack activity was reported in most Areas. New large fires occurred in the Great Basin and the Rocky Mountain Areas. Good progress was made on large fires in the Great Basin, California, Northern Rockies and the Northwest Areas. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized infrared aircraft, air attack aircraft, lead planes, helicopters, radio equipment, supplies, caterers, shower units, crews and miscellaneous overhead. High to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Wyoming and New Jersey.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

SPANISH, Santa Barbara County Fire Department, California. A Type II Incident Management Team (Smith) is assigned. This fire is eighteen miles west of Cuyama, California on Spanish Ranch. Several ranch structures and communications equipment at the Plow share Peak Communications Site are threatened. Spotting and strong, gusty winds are hampering suppression efforts.

GOAT, Los Angeles County Fire Department, California. This fire is on Catalina Island, northwest of the Airport in the Sky. Current threats are watershed and the Airport in the Sky.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SPANISH	CA	SBC	9392	62	7/25	1774	71	79	9	0	NR	2.5M
GOAT	CA	LAC	350	85	7/24	148	5	7	1	0	NR	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

EIGHT MILE, Salmon/Challis National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Casey) is assigned. The fire is twenty miles west of Challis, ID. No other information was reported.

SOLDIER, Salmon/Challis National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Wallace) is assigned. This lightning ignited wildland fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning thirty miles northwest of Stanley, Idaho. The Incident Management Team is also managing the Blue Bunch fire on the Payette National Forest. Fisheries, historic structures and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River Corridor are threatened.

CEDAR BUTTE, Upper Snake River District, BLM. The fire is twenty five miles northwest of Blackfoot, Idaho. No other information was reported.

BLACK MESA, Lower Snake River District, BLM. This fire is five miles south of Glenns Ferry, ID. The fire is expected to be contained today.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
EIGHT MILE	ID	SCF	139	90	7/24	113	4	0	2	0	2.2M	21M
SOLDIER	ID	SCF	600	0	UNK	21	0	0	1	0	NR	8K
CEDAR BUTTE	ID	IFD	37000	70	7/26	188	3	18	2	0	NR	147K
BLACK MESA	ID	BOD	350	80	7/24	44	0	8	1	0	1K	37K
SAMARIA	UT	NWS	1980	100	----	37	0	14	0	0	40K	8K

NWS = Northwest Utah State

#### NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

BURNED POINT, Lewis and Clark National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. This fire is twenty miles south of Augusta, MT. The fire is burning in grass and timber. Private land east of the fire is threatened. Strong winds and low relative humidities are creating control problems.

TIN, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. This fire is twenty miles from Winnett, MT. High winds, low relative humidity and high temperatures are hampering suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BURNED POINT	MT	LCF	500	0	7/26	214	8	7	3	0	NR	156K
TIN	MT	LED	550	50	7/24	121	4	2	1	0	14K	NR
ABEL RANCH	MT	SOS	250	100	----	17	0	1	0	0	5K	1K

SOS = Southern Land Office, Montana State

#### WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SAND SPRINGS, Carson City Field Office, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Vorce) is assigned. This fire is fifty miles east of Fallon, NV. Strong, gusty winds continue to cause control problems. The Fairview Peak communications site is secure. Communication and power lines leading to the site have been severely damaged. Power is being supplied to the site by generators. The town of Middlegate is threatened.

WAGON BOX, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Carr) is assigned. This fire is fifteen miles northwest of Grouse Creek, UT. A successful burnout operation was completed on the evening of 7/22. Isolated torching was observed yesterday.

LOCKWOOD, Northwest Nevada State. This fire is five miles east of Reno, NV. The fire is burning in grass, sage, and Pinon-Juniper. Strong,

shifting winds are creating control problems.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SAND SPRINGS	NV	CCD	12000	0	UNK	150	3	6	1	1	NR	12K
WAGON BOX	NV	EKD	32000	85	7/24	537	16	7	5	0	NR	NR
LOCKWOOD	NV	NWS	1000	30	7/24	150	2	13	1	0	NR	40K

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN LARGE FIRES:

ISLAND PARK, Big Horn National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hartman) is assigned. This fire is fifteen miles northeast of Tensleep, Wyoming burning in Lodgepole Pine and Spruce. Three seasonal structures and the Island Park Campground are threatened. Spotting and torching occurred in medium to heavy fuels.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ISLAND PARK	WY	BHF	75	0	UNK	150	0	0	1	0	NR	NR

#### SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENT:

MONSOON 99, Grand Canyon NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. The incident is eight miles north of the Grand Canyon Village. The Bright Angel trail is cleared all the way to Phantom Ranch and will be opened to the public this morning. Crews are still working on the South Kaibab Trail and reconstructing retaining walls on the North Kaibab Trail.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MONSOON 99	AZ	GCP	NA	NA	NA	221	3	0	3	0	NR	940K

#### NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BIG DIPPER	OR	WWF	96	100	7/23	282	11	0	3	0	180K	598K

WWF = Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
DRY	CA	NOD	10000	100	----	10	0	0	0	0	200K	365K

NOD = Northern California District, BLM

OUTLOOK:

\*\*\* A RED FLAG WARNING IS POSTED FOR MODERATE WINDS, LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY, LOW FUEL MOISTURE AND HIGH HAINES INDICES IN NORTHWEST UTAH. \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR GUSTY WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY ON THE UPPER SNAKE RIVER DISTRICT BLM AND THE TARGHEE NATIONAL FOREST. \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH FOR GUSTY WINDS, LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY, LOW FUEL MOISTURE AND SCATTERED MOSTLY DRY THUNDERSTORMS IN BILLINGS DISTRICT BLM, LEWIS AND CLARK AND GALLATIN NATIONAL FORESTS. \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR STRONG WINDS AND ISOLATED DRY THUNDERSTORMS IN CENTRAL IDAHO AND EXTREME SOUTHWESTERN MONTANA. \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR GUSTY WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY IN WESTERN WYOMING. \*\*\*

Montana will be partly with isolated, mainly dry afternoon thunderstorms. Winds will be west to northwest 10 to 20 MPH, increasing in the afternoon to 15 to 25 MPH with higher gusts. High temperatures will be 75 to 90 degrees.

Wyoming will be partly cloudy and breezy, with isolated, mainly dry afternoon thunderstorms. Winds will be west to southwest 15 to 25 MPH, with gusts around 30 MPH. High temperatures will be in the 70's to around 93 degrees.

Utah will be mostly sunny to partly cloudy with isolated to scattered thunderstorms over the mountains, and mainly dry thunderstorms in the western and northern zones.

Idaho will be partly cloudy, cooler and locally breezy. There will be isolated to scattered afternoon thunderstorms with some showers. Winds will be southwest to northwest 10 to 25 MPH, with gusts to 30 MPH. High temperatures will range from the mid 60's to the 80's.

Washington, Oregon, northern California and northern Nevada will be a little cooler and locally breezy. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will occur in Washington and Oregon. The southwest will have little change with scattered mainly wet thunderstorms in the Four Corners area. Elsewhere will be mostly clear. High temperatures will range from the 60's to mid 70's in the coastal areas, mid 60's to mid 80's in the mountains and 90 to 102 in the inland valleys.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		0	0	0	0		0
	ACRES		6500	1760	1782	8560		18602
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			3	9	13
	ACRES		0			80	1	81
CA-NORTH	FIRES	9				29	2	40
	ACRES	4				94	0	98
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1				18		19
	ACRES	0				23		23
NORTHERN	FIRES		1			2	10	13
	ACRES		51			0	12	63
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	6			1	3	11
	ACRES	0	883			50	40	973
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		13501			1000		14501
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					20	2	22
	ACRES					102	74	176
TOTAL	FIRES	11	9	0	0	74	31	125
	ACRES	4	20935	1760	1782	9909	128	34518

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	43	28	13	378		464
	ACRES	1	298196	283294	155632	263553		1000676
NORTHWEST	FIRES	135	91	11	8	667	283	1195
	ACRES	2240	3533	3728	2	4235	1988	15726
CA-NORTH	FIRES	98	8	6	14	1752	342	2220
	ACRES	77	8946	33	34	8312	1402	18804
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	41	91	7	29	1885	497	2550
	ACRES	889	1164	11	13948	15669	7332	39013
NORTHERN	FIRE	331	26	12	4	319	314	1006
	ACRES	4064	966	125	2	4286	1415	10858
GB-EAST	FIRES	27	367		14	146	190	744
	ACRES	1192	165928		7	13689	22590	203406
GB-WEST	FIRES	18	192	2	5	44	87	348
	ACRES	739	249723	116	3	5963	800	257344
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	745	109	8	31	699	1234	2826
	ACRES	12677	24352	225	371	67814	11344	116783
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	339	261	28	20	669	157	1474

	ACRES	5473	12043	661	13	48279	1123	67592
EASTERN	FIRES	513			73	12705	278	13569
	ACRES	2947			762	86800	4166	94675
SOUTHERN	FIRES	34		59	91	27945	781	28910
	ACRES	626		18803	11114	538050	42767	611360
TOTALS	FIRES	2283	1188	161	302	47209	4163	55306
	ACRES	30925	764851	306996	181888	1056650	94927	2436237
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								47328
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								1612706

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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				0
	ACRES			160				160
NORTHERNRO	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						166	166
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES						6	6
	ACRES						813	813
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
	ACRES	0	0	160	0	0	979	1139

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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							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				5			5

NORTHERN	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				0			0
GB-EAST	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					100		100
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	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	5	0	100	105

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	13	0	437	4642
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	95	96031
ALBERTA	18	16731	718	91955
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	5	104	122721
SASKATCHEWAN	51	15159	511	83383
MANITOBA	20	191	422	90497
ONTARIO	10	23	597	306311
QUEBEC	10	2999	678	95133
NEWFOUNDLAND	4	650	196	43435
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	0	494	1222
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	357	1661
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23	76
NATIONAL PARKS	2	1	28	65329
TOTALS	131	35759	4660	1002396

#### 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	9	9	14	1	5	3			77	1
CA-NORTH	3	3	25	7					10	2
CA-SOUTH	24	54	27	60	8	3			93	178

NORTHERN	15	1	31	15	4	4			96	20
GB-EAST	6	2	28	17	6	1			103	7
GB-WEST	19	2	15	13	6	1			67	14
SOUTHWEST	3				4				129	93
ROCKY MTN	2		10		5		2		29	7
EASTERN									15	11
SOUTHERN									2	
TOTAL	81	71	150	113	38	12	2	0	621	333

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