

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1999 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was minimal in most areas. New large fire activity was reported in the Western Great Basin and Southern Areas. Large fire activity continued in the Northwest and Northern California Areas. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized infrared aircraft, helicopters, an airtanker, telecommunications equipment, crews, smokejumpers and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, South Dakota, Wyoming, Indiana, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Texas.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

MHRD COMPLEX, Plumas National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Giachino) is assigned. Hot, dry weather with low relative humidity recovery is causing active fire behavior and spotting. Attempts at direct attack continue to be unsuccessful.

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, CA. Burnout operations were completed. Crews are holding fireline and patrolling for spots.

BIG BAR COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bacon) is assigned. This complex is 28 miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. The complex consists of five lightning fires, the Onion (11,223 acres), Fawn (3,882 acres), Soldier/Megram (820 acres) and Dee s (1 acre). Crews are holding fireline along the New River and some burnout may occur as the fire approaches private property. Crews on the Fawn fire are continuing burnout operations along Trinity Ridge and along Jeep Ridge to Virgin Creek on the North flank.

STEIN, Klamath NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. This fire is in the Marble Mountain Wilderness Area, twelve miles northeast of Forks of the Salmon, CA. Crews are working to contain spot fires with the aid of air support.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MHRD COMPLEX	CA	PNF	24321	35	UNK	3228	110	112	11	0	NR	8.0M
HIGH COMPLEX	CA	SHF	38080	96	9/7	1658	54	71	8	0	NR	14.7M
BIG BAR COMPLEX	CA	SHF	15925	45	9/10	1228	36	67	9	0	NR	7.2M
STEIN	CA	KNF	400	UNK	UNK	NR	6	0	7	0	NR	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

CEMETERY, Carson City Field Office, a Type II Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. Shifting winds and low relative humidity contributed to rapid rates of spread in grass, brush, pinyon pine and juniper. The fire was held to the west side of State Highway 395. Current threats are to timber, rangelands, residences and recreation values at Frenchman's Lake.

CHINA GULCH, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF. This fire is four miles north of Mountain City, NV. Suppression efforts are hampered by steep terrain and high winds.

INCIDENT NAME	ST NAME	UNIT 	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST PERS	TOTAL 	CRW 	ENG 	HELI 	STRC 	EST 	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D LOSS
CEMETERY	NV	CCD	3000	40	9/7	277	9	23	0	0	NR	NR	
CHINA GULCH	NV	HUF	300	0	UNK	120	4	9	0	0	NR	NR	

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

RAINBOW QUARRY, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. A Type II Incident Management Team (Andrade) is assigned. This fire is ten miles southwest of Maupin, OR. Efforts to stop the fires spread to private lands were successful. Control problems include poor access, heavy concentrations of fuel, dry and windy conditions.

INCIDENT NAME	ST NAME	UNIT 	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST PERS	TOTAL 	CRW 	ENG 	HELI 	STRC 	EST 	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D LOSS
RAINBOW QUARRY	OR	WSA	2586	65	9/7	353	11	14	4	0	NR	150K	
STONEHENGE	WA	WAS	2500	100	----	75	0	10	0	0	NR	NR	

WAS = Klickitat County, Washington State Headquarters.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST NAME	UNIT 	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST PERS	TOTAL 	CRW 	ENG 	HELI 	STRC 	EST 	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D LOSS
LEMHI	ID	IFD	512	100	----	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR	

IFD = Upper Snake River District.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

OAK CREEK, Texas State. This fire is seventeen miles southwest of Rocksprings, TX and is burning in grass and juniper. Current threats to structures include several seasonal hunting camps. Control problems include steep, rocky terrain, with poor road access.

BANKHEAD COMPLEX, Alabama Forestry Commission. This complex is near the community of Black Pond, AL and consists of the Robinson (3 acres), Pinhook (3 acres), Tucker 1 (5 acres), Tucker 2 (80 acres) and Forsyth (180 acres).

INCIDENT NAME	ST NAME	UNIT NAME	SIZE ACRES	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
OAK CREEK	TX	TXS	1000	25	UNK	51	0	7	2	0	NR	NR
BANKHEAD COMPLE	AL	ALF	271	UNK	9/11	50	1	5	2	0	45K	30K
WHON	TX	TXS	125	100	----	28	0	6	0	0	NR	18K

TXS = Texas State.

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR SOUTHWEST OREGON FOR EAST WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY. ***

An upper level trough will be exiting Montana and Wyoming into the Great Plains. A surface cold front will move through eastern Montana and Wyoming, bringing breezy to windy conditions east of the Rocky Mountains. Surface high pressure building into Washington and Oregon will bring breezy east winds to southwestern Oregon and northern California, west of the Cascade Mountains. Only isolated showers over northern Montana are expected with this System. Mostly sunny skies and temperatures in the 70's and lower 80's throughout the northern tier of the western United States.

An upper level high pressure center will build over the southwestern states with dry conditions over the Great Basin, Arizona and California. Minimum relative humidity readings will be 10 to 20 percent over southern California, southern Nevada, southern Utah and western Arizona with a few single digit readings over southern Nevada. Inland high temperatures will be mostly in the 90's to 111 in the hottest deserts.

Tropical moisture will bring rain to south Texas, with scattered thunderstorms in the remainder of the state and eastern New Mexico. High temperatures will be in the 90's.

FIRE AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRE						0

	ACRES							
NORTHWEST	FIREs	0				4	6	0
	ACRES	900				2	3	10
CA-NORTH	FIREs					12	4	905
	ACRES					8	13816	16
CA-SOUTH	FIREs					6	5	11
	ACRES					21	3	24
NORTHERN	FIREs	1				1	4	6
	ACRES	1				0	0	1
GB-EAST	FIREs		3			2	1	6
	ACRES		455			0	0	455
GB-WEST	FIREs		2				6	8
	ACRES		3000				303	3303
SOUTHWEST	FIREs					2	1	3
	ACRES					0	0	0
ROCKY MTN	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIREs						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
SOUTHERN	FIREs					32	4	36
	ACRES					1087	30	1117
TOTAL	FIREs	1	5	0	0	59	33	98
	ACRES	901	3455	0	0	1118	14155	19629

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

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					2		2
	ACRES					35		35
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	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	35	35

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	0
	ACRES				9		5	14
NORTHERN	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						8	8
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						2525	2525
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	0	2	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	9	0	2538			2547

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			1018	7726
YUKON TERRITORY			159	185941
ALBERTA			1170	118850
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			164	533529
SASKATCHEWAN			722	178928
MANITOBA			590	120095
ONTARIO			955	320461
QUEBEC			930	95806
NEWFOUNDLAND			215	43490
NEW BRUNSWICK			569	1224
NOVA SCOTIA			416	1696
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			25	57
NATIONAL PARKS			40	65368
TOTALS	0	0	6973	1673171

Canada is reporting on Wednesdays

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

SOUTHERN	2	10	5	4	42	22				
TOTAL	219	102	292	282	37	36	1	3	1065	495

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