

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1999 - 0900 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern Area and was minimal elsewhere. New large fire activity was reported in the Northern Rockies and Northwest Areas. Large fire activity continued in California, Eastern Great Basin, the Northwest and Southern Areas. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized helicopters, infrared aircraft, a lead plane, telecommunications equipment, weather equipment, smokejumpers and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming, Illinois, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Texas.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

BIG BAR COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Dubois) is assigned. The complex is 28 miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. The complex consists of the Fawn, Soldier, Megram, and Onion fires. The Onion fire is holding within its existing perimeter.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BIG BAR COMPLEX	CA	SHF	46123	55	UNK	1354	41	47	9	0	NR	15.0M

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

KIRK COMPLEX, Los Padres National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Greenhoe) is assigned to the Kirk Complex North, which includes the Tassajara, Five and Mountain fires. A Type II Incident Management Team (Smith) is assigned to the Kirk Complex South, which includes the Hare and Kirk fires. Unified Command with California Department of Forestry (Haines) is in effect. This complex is in the Ventana Wilderness, approximately twenty miles southeast of Carmel, CA. Initial attack occurred on a new fire (Snake) located north of the Mountain fire in the Rattlesnake drainage. Firing out along the west flank to State Highway 1 is near completion. Crews are currently holing the fire along the Nacimiento Ferguson road.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
KIRK COMPLEX	CA	LPF	22825	12	UNK	3114	101	97	20	0	NR	12.7M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE INCIDENTS:

HURRICANE FLOYD. An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) has set up a receiving and distribution center at Shaw Air Force Base. A Type II Incident Management Team (Ferguson) is being moved to set up a receiving and distribution center at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey.

FIVE MILE SWAMP, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Santa Rosa County, FL. No new information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
FIVE MILE SWAMP	FL	FLS	870	60	9/20	89	0	5	1	0	NR	NR

NORTHWEST LARGE FIRES:

ELK DRIVE, Ochoco National Forest. This fire is four miles west of Madras, OR. Dozers and engines are patrolling and mopping up the uncontained perimeter. Containment was expected last night.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ELK DRIVE	OR	OCF	600	85	9/18	30	0	19	2	0	NR	NR
MONTEITH ROCK	OR	WIF	369	100	----	265	6	1	2	0	2.5M	1.9M

WIF = Willamette National Forest.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

POTATO, Clearwater National Forest. This lightning ignited wildland fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This fire is 48 miles northeast of Orofino, ID. Limited suppression action is being taken on the east flank to protect an outfitter s camp approximately one mile from the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
POTATO	ID	CWF	138	0	UNK	6	0	0	1	0	0	4K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
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SQUAW 2	ID	IFD	1200	100	----	80	3	1	0	0	NR	NR
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IFD = Eastern Idaho Area, Upper Snake River District.

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING IS POSTED FOR THE WEST SLOPES OF THE NORTHERN OREGON CASCADES AND WEST SLOPES OF THE WASHINGTON CASCADES AND OLYMPICS FOR STRONG EAST WINDS AND LOW HUMIDITIES. ***

Moist unstable air associated with the weak low pressure at the surface and aloft over the southwest states will continue with scattered afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms in southern portions of Oregon and Idaho. Some thunderstorms over Arizona and New Mexico could become severe. Cool moist upslope flow associated with Canadian high pressure will hold temperatures below normal across the northern plains and east slopes of the northern Rocky Mountains. A weak upper level low pressure system associated with this cool air will move south over Wyoming and Colorado with areas of rain and scattered showers and thunderstorms. Warm dry east winds associated with warm high pressure aloft will blow along the west slopes of the northern Cascades and Olympic mountains. Minimum relative humidities will be 20 to 30 percent and as low as 15 to 20 percent inland across the Columbia basin.

The Gulf Coast states will be warm and dry with a westerly flow continuing over Texas eastward to Mississippi. Relative humidities will be below 30 percent. Moist unstable air associated with a low pressure surface and aloft over Alabama and Florida will support scattered wet thunderstorms.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1				3	11	15
	ACRES	0				6	607	613
CA-NORTH	FIRES	1				16	4	21
	ACRES	0				97	3691	3788
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		1		2	25	18	46
	ACRES		0		0	100	0	100
NORTHERN	FIRES	1				1	5	7
	ACRES	180				0	71	251
GB-EAST	FIRES		6				2	8
	ACRES		111				25	136
GB-WEST	FIRES		13				6	19
	ACRES		161				0	161
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		3			2		5
	ACRES		110			5		115

EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						40	40
SOUTHERN	FIRES					128	7	135
	ACRES					1982	31	2013
TOTAL	FIRES	3	23	0	2	175	58	261
	ACRES	180	382	0	0	2190	4466	7218

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	1	42	31	13	389	0	476
	ACRES	1	301525	285194	155932	277787	0	1020439
NORTHWEST	FIRES	350	396	16	49	1617	1384	3812
	ACRES	10483	28342	44629	189	8683	5269	97595
CA-NORTH	FIRES	131	55	7	26	2840	1027	4086
	ACRES	192	23708	33	132	62306	180023	266394
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	68	143	9	54	2796	897	3967
	ACRES	1634	6492	12	13953	33907	113677	169675
NORTHERN	FIRE	516	60	19	12	736	1301	2644
	ACRES	5892	3857	178	2	48111	5806	63846
GB-EAST	FIRES	61	743		23	308	665	1800
	ACRES	6033	421561		38	39539	6295	473466
GB-WEST	FIRES	34	704	3	5	91	209	1046
	ACRES	836	1537202	116	3	25710	15993	1579860
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	802	121	10	59	765	1480	3237
	ACRES	13085	27133	245	411	69305	11865	122044
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	529	411	36	46	959	263	2244
	ACRES	9417	13355	710	51	51773	3226	78532
EASTERN	FIRES	513			86	14954	344	15897
	ACRES	2947			810	93709	4341	101807
SOUTHERN	FIRES	36		70	99	35343	1100	36648
	ACRES	667		21456	11129	651728	46736	731716
TOTALS	FIRES	3041	2675	201	472	60798	8670	75857
	ACRES	51187	2363175	352573	182650	1362558	393231	4705374
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								62792
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2789286

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		500					500
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				0			0

	ACRES				42			42
NORTHERN	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					13		13
GB-EAST	FIRES	0	1			2	0	3
	ACRES	40	650			80	1800	2570
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	1	0	0	2	1	4
	ACRES	40	1150	0	42	80	1813	3125

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						0	0
	ACRES						148	148
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						430	430
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	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	583	583

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			1047	7734
YUKON TERRITORY			160	185962
ALBERTA			1182	118860
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			166	538015
SASKATCHEWAN			725	178928
MANITOBA			601	120989
ONTARIO			995	326787
QUEBEC			1013	97545
NEWFOUNDLAND			225	35197
NEW BRUNSWICK			589	1242
NOVA SCOTIA			432	1702
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			25	57
NATIONAL PARKS			40	65368
TOTALS	0	0	7200	1678386

Canada is reporting weekly on Wednesdays

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	7	13	31	7	4	1		66	54
CA-NORTH	35	15	62	28	5	10		1	224	141
CA-SOUTH	55	29	45	2	24	8			1259	1532
NORTHERN	3		5		4	1			12	
GB-EAST	7	2	14		4				12	
GB-WEST	2		4		2				8	
SOUTHWEST										7
ROCKY MTN			8						10	
EASTERN		1		15						50
SOUTHERN	1		4	8	4	3			89	17
TOTAL	110	54	155	84	50	26	1	1	1680	1801

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