

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1999 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was heavy in the Southern Area and minimal in the rest of the United States. New large fire activity was reported in the Northern Rockies, Southern and Eastern Areas. Large fire activity continued in California and the Southern Area. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized infrared aircraft, helicopters, telecommunications equipment, a caterer, crews, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Montana, Utah, South Dakota, Georgia, Mississippi, and Texas.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

BIG BAR COMPLEX, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Dubois) and Type II Incident Management Team (Welch) are assigned. The complex is 28 miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. The complex consists of the Megram, and Onion fires. Fireline is being constructed up Slide Creek and is being supported by burnout operations as conditions permit. Plans are for a fireline explosives crew to construct fireline from Mary Blaine Mountain southwest to tie into Slide Creek. The fire threatens the Six Rivers National Forest to the west and the Klamath National Forest to the North.

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	50173	10	UNK	1672	58	38	9	0	NR	17.1M

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. A successful burnout along Chews Ridge to the northwest was conducted during the night. The Five and Tassajara fires continue to slowly spread to the northeast and south. Indirect fireline construction continues and crews are making good progress. Burnout operations have begun and are progressing well. Mandatory and voluntary evacuation orders have been issued to areas along State Highway 1.

INCIDENT	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	LOSS	C-T-D
KIRK COMPLEX	CA	LPF	28079	16	UNK	3521	110	113	20	0	NR	19.7M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE INCIDENTS:

HURRICANE FLOYD. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) has set up a receiving and distribution center at Shaw Air Force Base. No new information was received.

WILLIAMSON RANCH, Texas State. This fire is near San Saba, TX. Current control problems include, low live fuel moistures, low relative humidity, rocky terrain and poor accessibility. Crews continued to mopup and reinforce the fireline.

BRECKENRIDGE, Texas State. This fire is south of Breckenridge, TX. Crews are trying to keep fire out of the canyon to the south.

NEIL CHAPEL, Texas State. This fire is west of Texarkana, TX. 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
WILLIAMSON RANC	TX	TXS	7000	85	UNK	74	0	16	7	0	NR	33K
BRECKENRIDGE	TX	TXS	450	80	9/22	20	0	NR	0	0	NR	NR
NEIL CHAPEL	TX	TXS	110	75	9/20	15	0	NR	0	0	NR	NR
SPURGER	TX	TXS	200	100	----	20	0	NR	0	0	NR	NR

TXS = Texas State.

EASTERN AREA INCIDENTS:

HURRICANE FLOYD. A Type II Incident Management Team (Ferguson) has set up a receiving and distribution center at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey. The mobilization center has received and shipped 267,574 liters of water to two satellite locations. The mission has expanded to handle 250,000 liters of water, ice and miscellaneous supplies per day.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
NEW WASHINGTON	IN	INS	664	100	----	80	1	15	0	0	NR	NR

INS = Indiana State Forestry.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

LOW ROLLER, Nez Perce National Forest. This lightning ignited wildland fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This fire is 51 miles southwest of Missoula, MT and burning in heavy timber and brush. The current threat is to a wilderness trail. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LOW ROLLER	ID	NPF	185	0	UNK	2	0	0	0	0	0	1K

OUTLOOK:

An upper level ridge will dominate most of the northern tier states and the Great Basin, with a surface high pressure over Colorado and Wyoming. A surface low pressure trough dominates along the Pacific Coast from California through Washington. Mostly sunny conditions are expected over eastern Oregon, southern Idaho and northern Nevada. Relative humidities will range from 10 to 20 percent with few single digit readings.

Tropical moisture from hurricane Hilary will overspread Arizona, southern California, southern Nevada, southern Utah and western New Mexico with scattered wet thunderstorms in the afternoon. On the fringes of this moisture, isolated thunderstorms will occur over an arc from the Sierra Nevada mountains across northern Nevada, Utah and into southwestern Colorado.

A cold front stretching along the Ohio river to Arkansas to north-central Texas this morning, will move across the region and over the gulf of Mexico by evening. Ahead of the front especially over Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana, there will be scattered showers. Over Texas, the front will be dry with only partly cloudy skies. Behind the front will be breezy conditions with north to northwest winds 10 to 20 MPH.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			15	2	18
	ACRES		0			9	70	79
CA-NORTH	FIRES				1	9	11	21
	ACRES				0	8	2985	2993
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1		4	5
	ACRES				0		2879	2879
NORTHERN	FIRES	1				1	5	7
	ACRES	0				0	2	2
GB-EAST	FIRES		3			2	1	6
	ACRES		22			6	25	53

GB-WEST	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		0					0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES		2				4	6
	ACRES		5				6	11
ROCKY MTN	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
EASTERN	FIRES					25		25
	ACRES					51		51
SOUTHERN	FIRES					235	1	236
	ACRES					7426	2	7428
TOTAL	FIRES	1	8	0	2	289	28	328
	ACRES	0	27	0	0	7500	5969	13496

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	351	398	16	50	1652	1392	3859
	ACRES	10484	28417	44629	189	8727	5386	97832
CA-NORTH	FIRES	133	55	7	27	2868	1042	4132
	ACRES	197	23708	33	132	62328	184089	270487
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	68	144	9	55	2831	908	4015
	ACRES	1634	6492	12	13953	33956	126292	182339
NORTHERN	FIRE	517	60	19	12	739	1312	2659
	ACRES	5892	3857	178	2	48112	5788	63829
GB-EAST	FIRES	61	755		24	311	669	1820
	ACRES	6255	445354		38	39546	6320	497513
GB-WEST	FIRES	36	716	3	5	91	214	1065
	ACRES	861	1537270	116	3	25710	15993	1579953
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	806	124	10	59	765	1487	3251
	ACRES	13085	27138	245	411	69305	11873	122057
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	540	411	36	46	962	265	2260
	ACRES	8953	13455	710	51	51774	3226	78169
EASTERN	FIRES	513			87	14979	346	15925
	ACRES	2947			813	93760	4344	101864
SOUTHERN	FIRES	36		70	99	35933	1111	37249
	ACRES	667		21456	11129	656673	47109	737034
TOTALS	FIRES	3062	2705	201	477	61520	8746	76711
	ACRES	50976	2387216	352573	182653	1367678	410420	4751516
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								63050
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								2789998

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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

	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		0				1	1
	ACRES		1800				23	1823
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	17					987	1004
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						50	50
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	3	4
	ACRES	17	1800	0	0	0	1061	2878

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				30		5	35
NORTHERN	FIRES				0		0	0
	ACRES				100		553	653
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						67	67
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				1			1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	131	0	625	756

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	2	4	24	8	3	2			15	12
CA-NORTH	50	14	57	19	5	8			250	180
CA-SOUTH	60	85	39	67	32				376	407
NORTHERN	2		6		4	1			24	
GB-EAST	4	2	5		3				9	
GB-WEST					1					
SOUTHWEST			4	1		1			7	
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN		2		30					43	123
SOUTHERN	4		4	18	4	1			90	24
TOTAL	122	107	139	143	52	13	0	0	814	746

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