

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2000 - 0900 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

Four new large fires were reported, one in Southern California and three in the Southern Area. Containment was reached on eight large fires; one in Northern California, one in the Rocky Mountain Area and six in the Southern Area. Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern Area and light elsewhere. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Arizona Utah, Nevada, Arkansas, Texas, and Oklahoma.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CHICKEN, Texas State Forest Service. This fire is 20 miles east of Nacogdoches, TX. A Type II Incident Management Team (Ruggiero) is assigned. The fire received light precipitation, aiding crews with mopup. Pockets of heat still exist in the interior of the fire.

ARBUCKLE COMPLEX, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. A Type II Incident Management Team (Ferguson) is assigned. This fire is 11 miles northwest of Ardmore, OK. Crews made good progress toward containment despite gusty winds. Some residents of Turner Falls remain evacuated from the area.

BRISTOW COMPLEX, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is six miles northeast of Bristow, OK. Three structures are confirmed destroyed.

LUDLOW, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is 15 miles southeast of Talihina, OK. Crews are completing work on the firelines and are beginning to mopup.

CEMENT, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is one mile north of Cement, OK. The fire is burning in grass and hardwood timber fuels. Crews made good progress securing firelines and have started mopup operations.

SUGARLOAF, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is burning in a mixed hardwood and pine plantation two miles north of Monroe, OK. Burnout operations have been completed and lines are holding as the interior continues to burn.

MURPHY, Grand Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Heavy fuel loads and rough terrain are hampering suppression efforts on this fire located near Pascagoula, MS.

LEANDER, Texas State Forest Service. This fire is burning in oak, cedar, brush mesquite and juniper fuels 40 miles north of Austin, TX. Six structures are threatened and one has been evacuated.

WALKER MOUNTAIN COMPLEX, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. These fires are west of Nicut, OK. There is no significant activity to report.

OSAGE HILLS, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This grass and hardwood brush fire is eight miles west of Bartlesville, OK. Five structures are confirmed destroyed.

NOODLER, Southern Plains Regional Office, BIA. This fire is burning in grass, brush, oak, and cedar five miles northeast of Anadarko, OK. Crews are continuing to build fireline and mopup. Residents have returned to their homes.

CROMWELL, Eastern Oklahoma Regional Office, BIA. This fire is three miles west of Cromwell, OK. The fire continues to burn in the interior while crews have been suppressing hotspots and starting mopup operations.

GORGE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles west of Wynona, OK, and is burning in grass and hardwood timber. Crews have been successful holding firelines despite high winds. Mopup operations are in progress.

LONGTHORN, Southern Plains Regional Office, BIA. This fire is north of Cooperton, OK. No new information was received. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CHICKEN	TX	TXS	4000	95	9/26	150	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR
ARBUCKLE COMPLE	OK	OXS	11577	60	9/24	412	11	32	4	8	NR	202K
BRISTOW	OK	OXS	3500	90	UNK	1	0	0	0	3	NR	18K
LUDLOW	OK	OXS	700	95	UNK	5	0	0	0	2	NR	NR
CEMENT	OK	OXS	600	95	9/23	0	0	2	0	0	NR	10K
SUGARLOAF	OK	OXS	1800	90	9/23	7	0	2	0	2	NR	75K
MURPHY	MS	GBR	350	0	UNK	19	0	4	1	0	20K	15K
LEANDER	TX	TXS	111	UNK	UNK	85	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR
WALKER MTN. CMP	OK	OXS	1830	95	UNK	2	0	2	0	0	NR	10K
OSAGE HILLS	OK	OXS	2500	98	9/25	69	NR	NR	NR	5	300K	NR
NOODLER	OK	AAA	500	50	UNK	17	0	3	1	1	NR	15K
CROMWELL	OK	MAA	800	90	UNK	12	0	4	0	1	NR	NR
GORGE	OK	MAA	1800	85	9/25	78	3	5	0	2	5K	40K
LONGTHORN	OK	AAA	560	80	UNK	14	0	6	0	0	NR	2K
OAKCLIFF	OK	OXS	3840	100	---	4	0	2	0	46	NR	NR
251ST STREET	OK	OK	100	100	---	1	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
LINDSAY	OK	OXS	300	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	1K
CEMENT PLANT	OK	OXS	600	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	10K
COUNTY LINE	AL	ALS	4000	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
CALHOUN	OK	OXS	2700	100	---	0	0	0	0	25	NR	20K

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

VALENTINE COMPLEX, Valentine National Wildlife Refuge. These seven lightning-caused fires are 25 miles south of Valentine, NE. Control lines are holding due to cooler weather and mopup is being aided by precipitation received in the area. Demobilization is in progress. The decrease in total acres is due to better mapping.

SPRING MOUNTAIN, Wind River Agency, BIA. This fire is 35 miles southeast of Pavillion, WY. The fire received snow, and is in monitor status.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
VALENTINE COMPL	NE	VAR	22390	95	9/23	22	0	6	0	0	NR	125K
SPRING MOUNTAIN	WY	WRA	750	90	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
POWDERHORN CMPL	NE	NBF	49000	100	---	59	2	3	0	0	NR	200K

#### NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

VALLEY COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) is assigned. These fires are seven miles south of Darby, MT. The complex consists of the Bear, Taylor, Taylor Spot, Hilltop, Razor, Fat, and Mink fires. Cold weather and some snow have assisted crews with mopup. Rehabilitation continues on most of the fires.

SKALKAHO COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This group of fires is ten miles southeast of Hamilton, MT. Cloudy and cold weather has slowed the fire activity. Mopup and rehabilitation continues.

MUSSIGBROD COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. These fires are 12 miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. The complex includes the Mussigbrod and Maynard fires. Crews continue to remove hazard trees and gather equipment. Rehabilitation is ongoing.

MIDDLE FORK COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. These fires are 30 miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. The complex consists of the Falls Creek, Cougar Creek, Coyote Springs, Medicine Lake, Skalkaho Pass, Lick Creek, and Cooper Creek fires. A few interior smokes have been observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
VALLEY COMPLEX	MT	BRF	211385	80	UNK	341	5	5	2	227	NR	30.8M
SKALKAHO CPLX	MT	BRF	70685	95	UNK	61	0	3	1	4	NR	11.0M
MUSSIGBROD CPLX	MT	BDF	84939	90	UNK	38	1	0	1	1	NR	11.5M
MIDDLE FORK COM	MT	BDF	17535	90	UNK	27	1	0	2	0	NR	17.3M

#### EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CLEAR CREEK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Stam) is assigned. This complex consists of the Clear Creek, Marlin Springs, Full Circle, and Sisters fires. The 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, commanded by LTC Smith is

assigned; partial demobilization of the battalion is in progress. Mopup and rehabilitation continues.

SCF WILDERNESS, Salmon-Challis National Forest. Eleven wildland fires are currently burning within the Salmon-Challis Wilderness Complex, including the Little Pistol, Indian Creek, Filly, Butts, Papoose, Parker, Packer Meadow, and Shell Rock. Fires continue to smolder with no significant growth. This will be the last report unless significant changes occur.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CLEAR CREEK COM	ID	SCF	216961	85	9/30	969	18	10	8	1	0	61.7M
SCF WILDERNESS	ID	SCF	182600	0	UNK	2	0	0	0	46	NR	457K

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CONCOW	CA	BTU	1835	100	---	1503	57	95	4	14	NR	1.9M

BTU = Butte Ranger Unit

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

MILLWOOD, California Department of Forestry, Fresno-Kings Ranger Unit. This fire is burning east of Dunlap, CA. No other information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MILLWOOD	CA	FKU	238	70	9/23	650	26	43	4	0	NR	425K

#### SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLOODGOOD COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This complex consists of the Bloodgood and the Sierra fires. These lightning ignited wildfires are being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fires received 40 mph winds, and the Bloodgood increased in size 600 acres. Efforts are being directed towards protecting Gila Trout habitat.

INCIDENT	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$
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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	LOSS	C-T-D
BLOODGOOD	NM	GNF	15950	UNK	UNK	111	3	2	1	0	0	230K

#### OUTLOOK:

Across Oklahoma, Texas and the Gulf Coast States showers and thunderstorms are possible due to a southwest flow aloft bringing in moisture. High temperatures will range from the 80's to upper 90's. Minimum afternoon humidity will be 35 to 50 percent inland and 50 to 65 percent along the coast. Winds will be south to southeast 10 to 20 mph.

Across the west a trough will bring snow, rain, colder temperatures, and high humidity to the central Rockies. Northeast Nevada and Utah could see showers and thunderstorms. The west coast, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico will experience strong southwesterly winds. Dry conditions will prevail although temperatures will be much cooler. Southwest Oregon and northern California can expect continued northwest to northeast winds 10 to 20 mph. High temperatures should be in 30's and 40's in the Northern Rockies and the central Rockies will have temperatures in the 50's to 70 degrees. Northern California and Arizona should see high temperatures in the mid 80's. Minimum afternoon humidity will be 15 to 25 percent.

#### FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES					16	1	17
	ACRES					8	0	8
CA-NORTH	FIRES	4	1			16	1	22
	ACRES	11	0			655	0	666
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					6	1	7
	ACRES					88	0	88
NORTHERN	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	17	17
GB-EAST	FIRES		3			9	4	16
	ACRES		2			0	12	14
GB-WEST	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		200					200
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					2	10	12
	ACRES					3	19	22
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	1				4	7
	ACRES	0	0				9	9
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES			1		60	4	65
	ACRES			350		732	32	1114
TOTAL	FIRES	6	5	1	0	110	26	148
	ACRES	11	202	350	0	1486	89	2138

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FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	1	13	22	8	302	5	351
	ACRES	6	143076	246961	43763	317427	0	751233
NORTHWEST	FIRES	223	233	41	20	1336	933	2786
	ACRES	24038	208953	83023	10	258129	125319	699472
CA-NORTH	FIRES	170	13	5	10	2091	641	2930
	ACRES	219	142	110	1	17695	72044	90211
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	30	85	6	63	2445	785	3414
	ACRES	53	41086	98	112	27148	70189	138686
NORTHERN	FIRE	906	97	32	53	1175	1647	3910
	ACRES	38607	11579	1714	6098	207072	777239	1042309
GB-EAST	FIRES	70	1113	5	47	574	1105	2914
	ACRES	44667	483843	2393	4642	123830	815295	1474670
GB-WEST	FIRES	8	654	4	7	104	254	1031
	ACRES	2380	607518	1105	11	7186	27403	645603
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1284	288	22	88	1198	2642	5522
	ACRES	18381	60580	16091	11403	285486	143284	535225
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	619	853	22	58	886	817	3255
	ACRES	158647	109753	2053	33335	42767	114466	461021
EASTERN	FIRES	763		9	28	9635	434	10869
	ACRES	15804		499	519	82737	15855	115414
SOUTHERN	FIRES	134		92	102	40998	1282	42608
	ACRES	12053		16305	3852	812849	42518	887577
TOTALS	FIRES	4208	3349	260	484	60744	10545	79590
	ACRES	314855	1666530	370352	103746	2182326	2203612	6841421
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								66120
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								3118669

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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			2				2
	ACRES			2				2
NORTHERN	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					5		5
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					2		2
	ACRES					65		65
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	2	0	3	0	5
	ACRES	0	0	2	0	70	0	72

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES			1		4		5
	ACRES			125		379		504
NORTHWEST	FIRES	19	23	25			201	268
	ACRES	5638	3540	5022			20867	35067
CA-NORTH	FIRES		2	8	1		121	132
	ACRES		328	1167	12		10365	11872
CA-SOUTH	FIRES			8	3		80	91
	ACRES			392	124		5152	5668
NORTHERN	FIRES	20	5	87	3	60	242	417
	ACRES	1775	1991	16531	395	6453	35377	62522
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	15	5	3	6	18	48
	ACRES	272	9199	1448	975	153	11325	23372
GB-WEST	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1526	1526
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	31	213	26	12	2	195	479
	ACRES	23385	14214	1888	4289	360	67762	111898
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	1	8	135	10	8	63	225
	ACRES	850	2743	17379	2937	705	20263	44877
EASTERN	FIRES	15		87	11	132	214	459
	ACRES	2947		17992	1290	84424	18590	125243
SOUTHERN	FIRES	9		137	71	103	710	1030
	ACRES	902		61589	41864	61971	457904	624230
USA TOTALS	FIRES	96	266	519	114	315	1846	3156
	ACRES	35769	32015	123533	51886	154445	649131	1046779

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WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
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ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						2	2
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	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				6		7	13
	ACRES				3		780	783
NORTHERN	FIRES				2		10	12
	ACRES				388		3971	4359
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						16	16
	ACRES						15325	15325
ROCKY MTN	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					550		550
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES				12	24		36
	ACRES				1133	125		1258



USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	20	25	34	79
	ACRES	0	0	0	1524	675	20077	22276

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational use. Official totals may be obtained by contacting the Agencies directly.

#### 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					1				2	1
CA-NORTH	3	56	14	87	2	4			7	177
CA-SOUTH	4	22	8	36	1	5			17	54
NORTHERN	8	2	4	10	7	1			135	44
GB-EAST	13	6	13	12	5	6	2		216	198
GB-WEST		1	1							
SOUTHWEST	6		5		2				51	
ROCKY MTN	6	1	14	1					15	
EASTERN									3	
SOUTHERN	15		23	34	4	2			57	29
TOTAL	55	88	82	180	22	18	2	0	503	503

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