

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2001 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Four new large fires were reported, two in Southern Area, and one each in Northern Rockies and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Two large fires reached containment, one in Northern Rockies and one in Eastern Great Basin Areas. Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

ELK MOUNTAIN COMPLEX, Black Hills National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hartman) is assigned. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Hart) will transition today. This complex of fires consisting of Elk Mountain 2 and Rogers Shack, is ten miles southeast of Newcastle, WY. Significant runs occurred with crowning, torching and spotting up to 1/4 mile. Evacuations occurred in the Pass Creek Road area and U.S. Highway 16 was closed due to smoke. A historical cabin was destroyed at the Elk Mountain Lookout.

DUCK CREEK, Rawlins District, BLM. This fire is 35 miles west of Wheatland, WY. Containment efforts are being impeded by shifting winds, steep terrain, beetle killed fuels, and lack of access. Burnout operations were successful. Containment lines are holding.

DINWOODY, Shoshone National Forest. This fire is located in the Fitzpatrick Wilderness 22 miles south of Dubois, WY. The fire is burning in rocky terrain with scattered pockets of timber.

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. This fire is in the Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. A new spot was located within a large patch of blow down. The potential for additional spotting and spreading within the heavy blowdown is a containment concern. Rehabilitation along the fireline is progressing.

WEST PLATEAU, San Juan National Forest. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is 20 miles northeast of Dolores, CO. Minimal activity was observed due to light precipitation that was received. High relative humidity and cloud cover continues to keep fire activity minimal.

ECKLUND COMPLEX, Little Snake Field Office, BLM. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. This complex of lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fires is in the Diamond Breaks Wilderness Study Area, 50 miles east of Vernal, UT. 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	C-T-D
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ELK MOUNTAIN CO	SD	BKF	16500	15	8/10	841	18	77	7	5	700K
DUCK CREEK	WY	RAD	750	50	8/3	90	1	7	2	0	NR
DINWOODY	WY	SHF	459	0	9/20	12	0	0	0	0	3K
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	1025	85	8/2	79	3	0	3	0	475K
WEST PLATEAU	CO	SJF	450	0	10/1	0	0	0	0	0	NR
ECKLUND COMPLEX	CO	LSD	3242	30	10/1	41	1	2	1	0	700K

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

ARTHUR, Yellowstone National Park. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This fire is 55 miles west of Cody, WY. Evacuation of the east entrance remains in place and the east entrance road remains closed. Crews made significant progress along the northwest and southwest flanks. The fire has spread to the northeast and is within 1/2 mile of the east entrance and the Shoshone National Forest boundary. Spotting onto the forest was observed late yesterday afternoon. HOPPE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) has been ordered. This fire is 10 miles north of Gardner, MT. Resources have been pulled off the fireline due to safety concerns.

SMALL, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Corbin) is assigned. This fire is 10 miles southwest of Busby, MT. Crews continue to make progress on fireline construction and mopup. Burnout operations are being conducted to reinforce fireline.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ARTHUR	WY	YNP	2300	10	UNK	833	23	6	13	0	1.6M
HOPPE	MT	GNF	350	0	UNK	81	2	2	3	0	NR
SMALL	MT	NCA	700	75	8/3	338	10	18	2	0	179K
NINE MILE	MT	BFA	30	100	---	207	6	9	2	0	183K

BFA = Blackfeet Agency, BIA

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MOSQUITO, Caribou-Targhee National Forest. This fire is 15 miles west of Wilson, WY. Crews and aircraft were effective in making progress with containment efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MOSQUITO	ID	CTF	100	40	UNK	134	5	3	5	0	NR
GREEN KNOLL	WY	BTF	4470	100	---	943	29	22	6	0	10.6M

BTF = Bridger-Teton National Forest

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

UNION VALLEY, Southeast Washington State. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gormley) is assigned and has assumed a Unified Command with Chelan Fire Department #7, the City of Chelan and the Chelan County Sheriff. This fire is four miles north of Chelan, WA. Residents have been allowed to return to their homes in the Washington Creek area.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
UNION VALLEY	WA	SES	4600	90	8/3	866	29	28	3	3	3.5M

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BRICEBURG, Sierra National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rios) is assigned. This fire is 8 miles northeast of Mariposa, CA. Radiometric airborne mapping (RAM) will continue to be used to assist in locating hot spots. Crews with the assistance of helicopters continue to make progress in the Sweetwater drainage. Rehabilitation along the fireline is continuing.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BRICEBURG	CA	SNF	728	90	8/3	421	9	6	6	0	3.3M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

ASSIST 1, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is burning in red cedar and grass nine miles west of Watonga, OK. Some running, spotting and torching was observed.

BUCK CREEK, Osage Agency, BIA. This fire is 9 mile east of Hominy, OK. Smoldering and creeping in grass and oak was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ASSIST 1	OK	OKS	120	99	8/3	25	0	10	0	0	7K
BUCK CREEK	OK	OKA	100	80	8/3	12	0	4	0	0	5K

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

VISTA, Grand Canyon National Park. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is five miles east of North Rim, AZ. 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	\$\$\$ C-T-D
VISTA	AZ	GCP	1002	0	UNK	89	3	3	1	0	571K

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN WESTERN AND CENTRAL WYOMING FOR A COMBINATION OF HOT, DRY, WINDY WEATHER ALONG WITH ISOLATED DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN NORTHEAST WYOMING AND SOUTHWEST SOUTH DAKOTA INCLUDING THE BLACK HILLS FOR HOT DRY WEATHER ALONG WITH ISOLATED DRY THUNDERSTORMS ***

High pressure over the central United States is circulating moisture through portions of the Great Basin and Rocky Mountain areas. This will bring partly cloudy conditions with scattered thunderstorms, showers and wet thunderstorms over Utah and Colorado. A few dry thunderstorms are possible over Idaho, Wyoming and South Dakota. High temperatures will be in the 70's in the mountains with 90's expected for the lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 30 percent, except for 10 to 20 percent in Idaho and northern Utah. Winds will be southeast to southwest at 10 to 20 mph, with gusts up to 30 mph across western Wyoming.

An upper ridge over the central United States and an upper level trough along the Pacific coast will give a dry southwesterly flow to the Northern Rockies. This will bring partly cloudy skies with a chance of isolated thunderstorms in the Rockies. High temperatures will be 85 to 95 west, and 90 to 105 east. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 25 percent in the western sections, and 10 to 20 east. Winds will be southwest at 10 to 20 mph, and up to 30 mph along exposed ridgetops.

An upper level trough and an associated weak cold front will swing into the Pacific Northwest. This will bring partly to mostly cloudy skies with some light rain or showers to western Washington and northern Oregon. The possibility of widely scattered thundershowers exist east of the Cascades. High temperatures will be in the 60's and 70's west of the Cascades and mostly in the 80's east of the Cascades, and into the 90's in southeast Oregon. Minimum relative humidity will range above 50 percent west of the Cascades, 20 to 30 percent east and 8 to 16 percent in southeast Oregon.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
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ALASKA	FIRES			1				1
ALASKA	ACRES			0				0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			5	2	8
NORTHWEST	ACRES		45			23	8	76
CA-NORTH	FIRES					14	1	15
CA-NORTH	ACRES					10	0	10
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1	22	1	24
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				0	1	2	3
NORTHERN	FIRES						3	3
NORTHERN	ACRES						300	300
GB-EAST	FIRES		2				1	3
GB-EAST	ACRES		9				35	44
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			2		3
GB-WEST	ACRES		0			0		0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						6	6
SOUTHWEST	ACRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		6		5	1	7	19
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		110		0	0	145	255
EASTERN	FIRES	1					2	3
EASTERN	ACRES	1					1	2
SOUTHERN	FIRES	1				10		11
SOUTHERN	ACRES	100				137		237
TOTAL	FIRES	2	10	1	6	54	23	96
TOTAL	ACRES	101	164	0	0	171	492	928

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	14	2	297	3	320
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210137	3263	221938
NORTHWEST	FIRES	190	204	22	26	1035	732	2209
NORTHWEST	ACRES	9192	66725	3486	7	22428	11514	113352
CA-NORTH	FIRES	98	25	3	19	1883	701	2729
CA-NORTH	ACRES	154	1282	4368	5	34241	7255	47305
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	32	56	16	43	1363	431	1941
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	23	1348	1263	59	12443	17555	32691
NORTHERN	FIRES	650	25	11	10	436	358	1490
NORTHERN	ACRES	7349	3925	385	1502	9446	1155	23762
GB-EAST	FIRES	48	596		37	424	500	1605
GB-EAST	ACRES	585	76754		879	98384	10783	187385
GB-WEST	FIRES	9	311	2	13	84	122	541
GB-WEST	ACRES	8930	56297	1	104	36454	12171	113957
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1109	145	15	34	647	1328	3278
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5324	5015	4478	1074	26369	18675	60935
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	219	406	28	34	311	395	1393
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	1260	8571	300	169	9574	6684	26558
EASTERN	FIRES	330		10	47	9643	416	10446
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	39305	5332	60005
SOUTHERN	FIRES	57		58	1081	22482	662	24340
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4959		19298	37329	578149	18604	658339
TOTALS	FIRES	2744	1770	179	1346	38605	5648	50292

TOTALS	ACRES	52630	221002	35208	47466	1076930	112991	1546227
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TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES	55,117
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES	2,079,723

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1					1
NORTHWEST	ACRES		2					2
CA-NORTH	FIRES			1				1
CA-NORTH	ACRES			120				120
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
GB-EAST	ACRES						2	2
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES		1				3	4
SOUTHWEST	ACRES		30				155	185
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES			3				3
SOUTHERN	ACRES			421				421
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	4	0	0	3	9
TOTAL	ACRES	0	32	541	0	0	157	730

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	66	9			314	406
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4801	7194			50057	66408
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	5	1		41	73
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	615	10		9512	10499
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		41	48
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		5498	5892
NORTHERN	FIRES	18	7	82		44	301	452
NORTHERN	ACRES	1723	5840	10303		4309	29881	52056
GB-EAST	FIRES		7	4	3	9	40	63

GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8876	13250
GB-WEST	FIRES		5		1		2	8
GB-WEST	ACRES		804		0		182	986
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	26	11		2	186	238
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21197	35634		500	56277	115810
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	91	3	2	49	166
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	13582	303	762	26746	48285
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	12		182	13	145	877	1229
SOUTHERN	ACRES	1408		53257	30099	87919	701982	874665
TOTAL	FIRES	92	139	456	33	525	1978	3223
TOTAL	ACRES	21092	37968	141289	32118	139297	906177	1277941

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		1	3
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				27		8	35
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				46		30	76
NORTHERN	FIRES				7		10	17
NORTHERN	ACRES				0		28	28
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES		15					15
GB-WEST	ACRES		1161					1161
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2		20	22
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1104		7185	8289
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		14	1	2		8	25
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2810	48	934		602	4394
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	29	1	40	0	47	117
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	3971	48	2085	0	7846	13950

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	2	5	813	2720

YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	59	16161
ALBERTA	0	77	750	151586
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	10	120	87995
SASKATCHEWAN	0	133	595	170453
MANITOBA	2	855	409	70572
ONTARIO	12	7	759	9970
QUEBEC	8	4301	615	20287
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	117	349
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	2	288	366
NOVA SCOTIA	3	1	270	225
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	11	22
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	58	7655
TOTALS	31	5391	4864	538361

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	11	33	7	90	4	4	1		95	172
CA-NORTH	11	18	7	13	1	1			101	130
CA-SOUTH	10		6	2	7				72	41
NORTHERN	54	2	31	22	14	10	2		242	69
GB-EAST	38	2	19	15	12	3	1		162	31
GB-WEST			3		1					
SOUTHWEST	6		5		1	1			21	
ROCKY MTN	24	3	41	63	8	6	5		194	39
EASTERN									24	
SOUTHERN			1	13					1	3
TOTAL	154	58	120	218	48	25	9	0	912	485

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