

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 2001 - 0900 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Seven new large fires were reported, three in Western Great Basin, two in Northern California, and one each in Northwest and Southern Areas. Seven large fires also reached containment, two each in Western Great Basin, Eastern Great Basin and Northwest, and one in Southern Area. Initial attack activity was moderate to heavy in Northern California and Northwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Connecticut, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRE:

TROUGH, Mendocino National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. This fire is four miles west of Stoneyford, CA. Limited access in the Snow Mountain Wilderness coupled with the fire advancing into heavier fuels will slow containment efforts.

BLUE, Modoc National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Gage) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles east of Likely, CA. Blue Lake Campground was evacuated. Structures in Jess Valley continue to be threatened.

OBSERVATION, Northern California District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This fire is 100 yards east of Ravendale Fire Station, Ravendale, CA. Spanish Springs Ranch was evacuated.

MODOC COMPLEX, Modoc National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bright) is assigned. This complex of fires is near Canby, CA. A new fire, Bell, was added to the complex. Major runs influenced by strong, gusty winds were observed.

SHAFFER, Northern California District, BLM. This fire is near Linchfield, CA. No new information was received.

COWHEAD, Northern California District, BLM. This fire is six miles east of Fort Bidwell, CA. No new information was received.

EAST, Shasta-Trinity Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. This fire is near French Gulch, CA. Crews and dozers are making good progress on fireline construction.

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INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
TROUGH	CA	MNF	9800	40	UNK	1436	36	32	10	16	600K	
BLUE	CA	MDF	910	5	UNK	613	22	15	2	0	43K	
OBSERVATION	CA	NOD	12000	0	UNK	175	5	13	2	0	NR	
MODOC COMPLEX	CA	MDF	375	0	UNK	681	18	22	0	0	235K	

SHAFFER	CA	NOD	1100	75	UNK	139	5	5	1	0	NR
COWHEAD	CA	NOD	700	80	UNK	73	2	5	0	0	NR
EAST	CA	SHU	500	50	8/11	738	18	21	7	0	359K

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NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

JACKIE'S BUTTE COMPLEX, Vale District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jackson) is assigned. This lightning caused fire, burning in grass and sagebrush, is ten miles east of Rome, OR. This complex consists of Jackie's Butte, Jordan Creek, West Crater and Iron Mountain fires. Extreme fire behavior was observed on Jackie's Butte. Resource shortages are hampering containment efforts.

LAKEVIEW COMPLEX, Fremont National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. This complex of fires is in the Lakeview, OR area. The complex consists of the Johnson Creek and South Warner fires. Crews are making good progress on line construction.

QUARTZ, Oregon Department of Forestry. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Gilpin) is assigned. This fire is ten miles southwest of Talent, OR. Observed fire behavior includes spotting and crowning. High temperatures, low relative humidity and rugged terrain with limited access are hindering containment efforts.

SHEEPSHEAD, Burns District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is 75 miles southeast of Burns, OR. The fire continues to burn actively to the north and south. IRON MOUNTAIN, Burns District, BLM. This fire is 22 miles southwest of Burns, OR. No new information was reported.

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INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST	TOTAL CTN	CRW	ENG PERS	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
JACKIE'S BUTTE	OR	VAD	50000	30	UNK	148	2	37	3	0	NR	
LAKEVIEW COMPLE	OR	FRF	2200	30	UNK	545	14	44	6	0	334K	
QUARTZ	OR	ORS	2000	0	UNK	210	12	1	2	0	NR	
SHEEPSHEAD	OR	BUD	10000	0	8/11	140	4	12	1	0	68K	
IRON MOUNTAIN	OR	BUD	500	40	UNK	28	0	6	0	0	NR	
CHRISTMAS TREE	OR	LAD	750	100	---	5	0	2	0	0	NR	
JUMP	OR	LAD	3100	100	---	5	0	2	0	0	NR	

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LAD = Lakeview District, BLM

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MURPHY, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Broyles) will assume command this morning. This lightning caused fire is 8 miles west of Jarbidge, NV. The fire continues to burn actively in grass, sagebrush, aspen and mountain mahogany.

FISH, Carson City Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team

(Terwilliger) is assigned. This fire is ten miles northeast of Doyle, CA. Fire whirls, rapid upslope runs and fast down-slope backing were observed. Some isolated structures and ranches are threatened, along with grazing and wildlife habitat.

SHEEP, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Burdick) has been ordered and will assume command today. This lightning caused fire is 25 miles north of Battle Mountain, NV. Extreme fire behavior was observed, including fire whirls, running and spotting up to 100 feet.

KRUM, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This lightning caused fire is seven miles northwest of Winnemucca, NV. Strong winds from a nearby thunderstorm resulted in major runs in all directions, with extreme fire behavior being reported.

PLEASANT VALLEY COMPLEX, Carson City Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Conrad) is assigned. This complex of four fires is eight miles southeast of Reno, NV. Fire activity was minimal, with some smoldering observed. Crews made excellent progress towards containment efforts. Strong winds and heavy fuels continue to pose a threat to containment lines.

ANTELOPE, Carson City Field Office, BLM. This fire is eight miles northwest of Reno, NV. No further information was received.

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MURPHY	NV	HTF	6000	10	8/13	325	5	2	4	0	NR	
FISH	NV	CCD	8300	20	8/12	122	2	18	3	0	150K	
PLEASANT VALLEY	NV	CCD	775	95	8/11	192	6	9	3	0	NR	
ANTELOPE	NV	CCD	900	80	8/11	120	3	2	0	1	NR	
RODEO CREEK	NV	NNS	6100	100	---	106	3	4	0	0	NR	
DRY MOUNTAIN	NV	WID	1680	100	---	21	0	5	1	0	NR	

NNS = Northern Region, Nevada Division of Forestry

WID = Winnemucca Field Office, BLM

#### 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. The East Entrance is now open to the public. Traffic is being allowed through the east entrance four times per day with the assistance of pilot cars. Crews continue to make excellent progress with fireline construction and mopup along the northeast, east and southeast perimeters. Numerous, isolated spot fires still need to be contained.

HOPPE COMPLEX, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Gardiner, MT. Containment percentage changed due to the combination of the Hoppe and Monitor Creek fires. Hoppe is contained and the mopup phase is near completion. Crews continue to construct indirect handline on the east perimeter of the Monitor Creek fire in preparation of burnout operations.

TACO, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire is ten miles east of Riggins, ID. Burnout operations are being prepared from Van Creek, at the north point of the fire and along the 221 road. Air operations continue to be limited due to inversions in the late afternoon.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST	TOTAL CTN	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
ARTHUR	WY	YNP	2800	75	8/11	814	17	20	14	0	5M	
HOPPE COMPLEX	MT	GNF	875	53	UNK	209	5	2	7	0	1.2M	
TACO	ID	NPF	2400	50	8/12	514	16	16	4	0	871K	

#### EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

FALCON, Bridger-Teton National Forest. This fire is located in the Teton Wilderness, 48 miles northeast of Jackson, WY. Moderate fire activity, isolated torching with some short range spotting was observed. A confinement strategy has been implemented. Some light precipitation was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST	TOTAL CTN	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
FALCON	WY	BTF	185	20	UNK	9	0	0	0	0	NR	
RED	UT	UTX	375	100	---	162	6	2	2	2	309K	
ANTELOPE CANYON	UT	SLD	86	100	---	104	3	3	1	0	55K	

UTX = Utah County

SLD = Salt Lake Field Office

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This fire is in the Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. This fire is being managed under a confinement suppression strategy. Additional heavy rainfall was received. Crews completed rehabilitation of camp sites and helispots. Plans are being made to turn the fire over to the local district in the next couple of days

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST	TOTAL CTN	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	1270	95	10/1	62	1	0	2	0	904K	

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

GEARY, Anadarko Agency, BIA. This fire is three miles southwest of Geary, OK. Active fire behavior was observed with running, torching and spotting.

HILLARD ROAD, West Texas Counties. This fire, burning in cedar, oak and juniper, is 20 miles southwest of Austin, TX. No new information was received. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

RANGER WEST, West Texas Counties. This fire, burning in heavy mesquite, cedar and oak, is 40 miles east of Abilene, TX. No new information was received. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
GEARY	OK	ANA	250	50	UNK	48	1	6	0	0	10K	
HILLARD ROAD	TX	WTS	1175	70	UNK	40	0	12	0	1	NR	
RANGER WEST	TX	WTS	750	85	UNK	20	0	18	0	3	NR	
COBB CREEK	OK	OKS	100	100	---	39	0	11	0	2	70K	

OKS = Oklahoma Division of Forestry

OUTLOOK:

High pressure over northern California will bring mostly clear conditions with partly cloudy skies over the mountains and afternoon cumulus buildup. High temperatures will be in the upper 80's to 101 inland, with minimum relative humidity ranging from 14 to 22 percent. Winds will be light and variable with normal upslope and up canyon winds in the afternoon at 8 to 15 mph.

Strong high pressure will be over the Pacific Northwest while a weak upper level low will remain off the California coast triggering a disturbance over central Oregon. This will bring a chance of thunderstorms over much of southern and eastern Oregon. High temperatures west of the Cascades will be in the 80's and 90's, and in the mid 80's to around 105 on the east side. Minimum relative humidity will range from 25 to 40 percent west, and 12 to 25 percent east with single digits likely in northeast Washington, the Columbia Basin and the Blue Mountains. Winds will be southwest to northwest at 5 to 15 mph west, and variable east.

An upper level ridge will continue to be dominate over Nevada with residual subtropical moisture moving through the area. Conditions will be mostly sunny to partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered afternoon and early evening thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 80's in the mountains and 90's in the valleys, and 105 to 115 south. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 30 percent, and 10 to 22 percent south. Winds will be west at 5 to 15 mph for the northern portions of the state, and south at 5 to 15 mph in the southern portions of the state.

A dry westerly flow will move over the Northern Rockies, bringing the possibility of residual moisture over extreme southwest Montana. Conditions will be mostly sunny with a slight chance of thunderstorms over extreme southwest Montana. High temperatures will be in the upper 70 to lower 90's, with minimum relative humidity ranging from 15 to 30 percent. Winds will be northeast to southeast at 5 to 15 mph, with local gusts up to 25 mph in the afternoon.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					1		1
ALASKA	ACRES					1		1
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1	22	3		3	75	104
NORTHWEST	ACRES	0	19026	3000		2003	2100	26129
CA-NORTH	FIRES		3			22	13	38
CA-NORTH	ACRES		25			650	122	797
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1	29	4	34
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				0	0	1	1
NORTHERN	FIRES	6	1	2		3	2	14
NORTHERN	ACRES	13	3	3		0	200	219
GB-EAST	FIRES	1	14			3	4	22
GB-EAST	ACRES	0	9			177	27	213
GB-WEST	FIRES		11				6	17
GB-WEST	ACRES		10880				5400	16280
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2	3	17	22
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				0	0	6	6
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		6		2	4	4	16
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		71		1	1	2	75
EASTERN	FIRES					16	4	20
EASTERN	ACRES					13	2	15
SOUTHERN	FIRES	1				15		16
SOUTHERN	ACRES	250				25		275
TOTAL	FIRES	9	57	5	5	99	129	304
TOTAL	ACRES	263	30014	3003	1	2870	7860	44011

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	299	3	323
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210138	3263	221939
NORTHWEST	FIRES	197	287	28	27	1124	899	2562
NORTHWEST	ACRES	10728	99149	11987	7	23732	18455	164058
CA-NORTH	FIRES	108	41	4	20	2129	782	3084
CA-NORTH	ACRES	180	1607	5868	5	35477	15026	58163
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	34	67	16	50	1517	493	2177

CA-SOUTH	ACRES	24	1351	1263	211	13170	17733	33752
NORTHERN	FIRE	670	27	14	26	483	406	1626
NORTHERN	ACRES	8016	3930	391	2803	10343	4076	29559
GB-EAST	FIRE	52	712		43	477	615	1899
GB-EAST	ACRES	755	79968		911	101893	11602	195129
GB-WEST	FIRE	13	401	2	13	89	163	681
GB-WEST	ACRES	8936	107402	1	104	42655	18178	177276
SOUTHWEST	FIRE	1119	152	15	42	666	1461	3455
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5325	5130	4478	1083	26387	20230	62633
ROCKY MTN	FIRE	304	474	28	48	353	475	1682
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2013	9011	300	172	9644	7266	28406
EASTERN	FIRE	330		10	48	9811	439	10638
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	39684	5476	60528
SOUTHERN	FIRE	29		58	1081	22826	663	24657
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4684		19298	37329	606425	18606	686342
TOTALS	FIRE	2858	2163	190	1400	39774	6399	52784
TOTALS	ACRES	55515	308633	45215	48963	1119548	139911	1717785

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 57,536  
 TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 2,470,726

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRE							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRE							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRE							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRE							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRE	2		6				8
NORTHERN	ACRES	10		1622				1632
GB-EAST	FIRE							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRE							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRE							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRE							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRE							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRE							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRE	2	0	6	0	0	0	8
TOTAL	ACRES	10	0	1622	0	0	0	1632

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIREs			1	1		3	6
ALASKA	ACRES			5	745		449	1081
NORTHWEST	FIREs	17		66	9			314
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356		4801	7194			50057
CA-NORTH	FIREs	20		6	5	1		41
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262		100	615	10		9512
CA-SOUTH	FIREs			2	3	2		41
CA-SOUTH	ACRES			12	208	174		5498
NORTHERN	FIREs	20		7	89		44	301
NORTHERN	ACRES	1733		5840	12170		4309	29906
GB-EAST	FIREs			7	4	3	9	40
GB-EAST	ACRES			817	1890	177	1490	8876
GB-WEST	FIREs			5		1		2
GB-WEST	ACRES			804		0		182
SOUTHWEST	FIREs	13		26	11		2	192
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202		21197	35634		500	58301
ROCKY MTN	FIREs	2		19	91	3	2	50
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500		4392	13602	303	762	26747
EASTERN	FIREs	10			68	10	320	126
EASTERN	ACRES	8641			17861	1355	43868	16085
SOUTHERN	FIREs	7			182	13	145	880
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718			53257	30099	87919	702058
TOTAL	FIREs	89		139	463	33	525	1988
TOTAL	ACRES	20412		37968	143176	32118	139297	908303
								1281274

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		10	37
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				206		50	256
NORTHERN	FIREs				7		11	18
NORTHERN	ACRES				0		53	53
GB-EAST	FIREs							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIREs		20					20
GB-WEST	ACRES		1161					1161
SOUTHWEST	FIREs				2		21	23
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1104		7185	8289
ROCKY MTN	FIREs	17		1	2		9	29
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2810		48	934		603	4395
EASTERN	FIREs							0

EASTERN	ACRES								0
SOUTHERN	FIRES								0
SOUTHERN	ACRES								0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	37	1	40	0	52		130
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	3971	48	2245	0	7892		14156

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires	Hectares	Fires	Hectares
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	3	0	844	2865
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	63	16283
ALBERTA	0	1	772	151670
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	123	89025
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	618	171925
MANITOBA	1	0	449	71533
ONTARIO	37	26	1045	10277
QUEBEC	21	10	779	21541
NEWFOUNDLAND	4	0	145	638
NEW BRUNSWICK	11	48	340	495
NOVA SCOTIA	3	0	320	260
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	11	22
NATIONAL PARKS	3	11	68	7696
TOTALS	84	96	5577	544230

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews	Crews	Engs	Engs	Heli	Heli	Airt	Airt	Ovrhd	Ovrhd
	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	26	56	89	138	6	10	6		170	31
CA-NORTH	91	81	121	140	7	20	3		313	295
CA-SOUTH	4		16		4					
NORTHERN	38	4	20	17	15	13			361	137
GB-EAST	28	3	14	7	7	3			165	37
GB-WEST	11	21	42	44	14	5	4		170	51
SOUTHWEST	6		5		2	1			21	
ROCKY MTN	2		6		5				20	6
EASTERN			3	1						6
SOUTHERN	1		6	30					4	109
TOTAL	207	165	322	377	60	52	13	0	1224	672

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