

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2001 - 0630 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 5

CURRENT SITUATION:

Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Northern Rockies and Northern California. Nine large fires were contained, one each in Rocky Mountain, Southern California, and Eastern Great Basin Areas, two in the Northern Rockies and four in the Northwest. Initial attack activity was light throughout the nation. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

U.S. Army Task Force Phoenix Blaze, commanded by LTC Ronald Huther at Ft. Lewis, WA, is assigned to the Virginia Lake Complex.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

Priorities are being established by the Northern Rockies Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

FRIDLEY, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles southwest of Livingston, MT. Fireline resources supported by helicopter water drops continued to reinforce and construct fireline. Aerial retardant drops and fuel reduction efforts were utilized to provide structure protection adjacent to the southeast edge of the fire.

MOOSE, Flathead National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Houseman) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles north of Whitefish, MT. Small crown fires were observed due to strong wind gusts. Difficult terrain, heavy fuels and lengthy travel times continue to hinder containment efforts.

EAR, Flathead National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire is 35 miles southeast of Columbia Falls, MT. Hose lays and pumps have been installed to assist in holding the fire west of 25 Mile Creek.

NORTH SAW MILL, Miles City Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Corbin) is assigned. This fire, burning in grass and pine stands, is 35 miles northwest of Jordan, MT. Crews continued with fireline construction around spot fires and mopup along the perimeter.

MONUMENT, Gallatin National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Adams) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is in Sweet Grass County, MT in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness Area. Creeping and occasional torching has been observed.

WERNER PEAK COMPLEX, Northwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Swope) is assigned.

This complex is 7 miles north of Whitefish, MT. Resources are being scheduled for demobilization.

LITTLE JOE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Joki) is assigned. This fire is north of Gardiner, MT. Hunters and loggers in the area were evacuated. Several structures are threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST	TOTAL CTN	CRW PERS	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
FRIDLEY	MT	GNF	24000	10	9/5	825	16	19	14	0	1.4M	
EAR	MT	FNF	375	5	9/6	188	3	3	0	0	478K	
MOOSE	MT	FNF	4217	10	UNK	402	14	9	9	0	NR	
NORTH SAW MILL	MT	MCD	1250	60	UNK	160	4	10	2	0	163K	
MONUMENT	MT	GNF	1200	0	9/30	65	2	0	2	0	140K	
WERNER PEAK COM	MT	NWS	860	80	8/26	455	8	17	3	0	4.2M	
LITTLE JOE	MT	GNF	150	0	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	
LOOKOUT MOUNTAI	ID	IDS	440	100	--	205	5	0	3	0	1.6M	
LOWER FAWN CREE	MT	SWS	215	100	--	301	10	0	1	0	1M	

IDS = Priest Lake Supervisory Area, Idaho Department of Lands.

SWS = Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources

#### NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned to manage the Virginia, Icicle, Spruce Springs/Dome, and Tonasket complexes in eastern Washington. Priorities are being established by the Northwest Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

VIRGINIA LAKE COMPLEX, Colville Agency, BIA. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the St. Mary's, Goose Lake, Brewster, Gambol Mill, Bailey Mountain, and Virginia Lake fires, is 12 miles south of Okanogan, WA. Reinforcement of fireline is continuing. Mopup is occurring on the Virginia Lake and Brewster fires.

MT. LEONA COMPLEX, Colville National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles northwest of Republic, WA. Fire spread remained slow allowing crews to use direct attack methods.

REX CREEK COMPLEX, Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Gelobter) and a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rios) are assigned. This complex, comprised of the Rex Creek, Glory Mountain, and four other fires, is 34 miles northwest of Lake Chelan, WA in the Sawtooth Wilderness Area. Fire activity increased due to lower relative humidity and higher temperatures.

ICICLE COMPLEX, Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Melton) is assigned. This complex, consisting of the Upper 8 Mile, Fall and Snowflake fires, is 6 miles southwest of Leavenworth, WA. The Fall fire was staffed today, which had not been staffed to date.

WINDY-SWAMP COMPLEX, Okanogan National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This complex is near Tonasket, WA

in the Pasayten Wilderness Area. Control problems include steep and rocky terrain, poor access, heavy fuels and numerous snags.

SLEEPY COMPLEX, Colville National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This complex, consisting of the Sleepy and Buckhorn fires, is 24 miles northwest of Inchelium, WA. Containment has been slowed due to steep rocky terrain, numerous snags and fingered fireline edges in heavy fuels.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
VIRGINIA LAKE C	WA	COA	79723	50	8/29	550	39	85	6	12	12.6M	
MT. LEONA COMPL	WA	COF	6144	55	UNK	1520	48	54	8	0	6M	
REX CREEK COMPL	WA	WEF	43000	45	9/7	714	21	2	7	2	3.6M	
ICICLE COMPLEX	WA	WEF	7697	90	8/28	808	25	6	7	0	7.2M	
WINDY-SWAMP COM	WA	OKF	1200	0	UNK	227	8	4	4	0	130K	
SLEEPY COMPLEX	WA	COF	1410	95	8/27	495	13	13	2	0	1M	
HORSE CREEK	OR	WWF	16459	100	---	243	5	3	3	0	2.5M	
OLALLIE LAKE CO	OR	MHF	2719	100	---	512	19	3	3	0	4.3M	
TONASKET COMPLE	WA	OKF	170	100	---	849	27	36	0	0	4.4M	

MHF = Mt. Hood National Forest

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

NORTH FORK, Sierra National Forest. Due to mutual jurisdictional responsibilities, a Unified Command has been established between a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Vittum), the California Department of Forestry (Van Devort), and the Madera County Fire Department. This fire is near Bass Lake, CA. Good progress has been made with fireline construction and burnout operations were successful.

HIGHWAY, Sequoia National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Carvelho) is assigned. This fire is 12 miles east of Dunlap, CA. Active burning of fuels within the perimeter was observed.

HOOVER COMPLEX, Yosemite National Park. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (Zimmerman) is assigned. These lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fires are 10 miles southeast of Yosemite Village, CA. The complex, is comprised of the Hoover, Clark, Kuna, Cold Creek and Lyell fires. Fire activity has been mostly limited to the Hoover Fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
NORTH FORK	CA	SNF	3545	85	8/28	1681	36	33	10	2	2.8K	
HIGHWAY	CA	SQF	4184	70	9/1	1117	27	29	6	8	3.7M	
HOOVER COMPLEX	CA	YNP	5716	0	UNK	77	7	0	2	0	253K	
LEONARD	CA	TCU	5167	100	---	1364	24	33	6	13	4.5M	

TCU = Tuolumne-Calaveras Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

Priorities are being established by the Great Basin Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

MOLLIE, Uinta National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Hefner) is assigned. This fire is 1/4 mile east of Santaquin, UT. Increasing fire behavior was observed as fuels continue to dry. Very steep, rugged terrain, heavy fuels, and limited road access are hampering containment efforts. Crews are being flown to remote areas.

ELK CREEK, Payette National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Stanich) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles east of Warren, ID. Crews continue to use minimum impact suppression techniques, ensuring the protection of riparian areas and threatened and endangered species.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MOLLIE	UT	UIF	8021	80	8/27	300	7	4	7	2	2.1M
ELK CREEK	ID	PAF	2664	60	9/15	284	6	1	5	0	2.4M
GARDEN GAP	ID	IFD	540	100	---	44	1	5	0	0	NR

IFD = Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, BLM

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

STAR, Eldorado National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) has been ordered. This fire is near Georgetown, CA. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STAR	CA	ENF	100	0	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

Priorities are being established by the Great Basin Multi-Agency Coordinating Group based on information submitted via Wildland Fire Situation Analysis reports and Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) forms.

GRANITE, Great Basin National Park. This fire is 60 miles southeast of Ely, NV. Fire activity has decreased and was confined to minor torching of interior islands. Crews have made excellent progress on mopup.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
GRANITE	NV	GBP	668	85	8/31	109	2	5	2	0	405K	

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BOHNSTEAD DRAW, Casper Dispatch Center Counties. This fire, burning in pinyon pine, juniper, and sagebrush, is 7 miles northeast of Guernsey, WY. Steep, rough terrain with limited access is hampering containment efforts.

DINWOODY, Shoshone National Forest. This previously reported fire, which started on 8/1, is 22 miles south of Dubois, WY near the Fitzpatrick Wilderness Area. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
BOHNSTEAD DRAW	WY	CPX	1000	5	UNK	95	2	11	1	0	NR	
DINWOODY	WY	SHF	1417	0	9/20	0	NR	NR	NR	0	16K	
WIND CREEK	WY	CPX	1500	100	---	10	0	2	0	0	NR	

OUTLOOK:

Dry high pressure will continue over the Northern Rockies bringing sunny, warm and dry weather. High temperatures will be 85 to 95 except around 102 in the valleys and canyons. Minimum relative humidity will range from 10 to 20 percent with a few areas down to 5 percent in lower elevations. Winds will be terrain dominated up to 5 to 10 mph.

High pressure continues to dominate the Pacific Northwest, bringing dry and warm conditions with a few cumulus buildups possible in central and southern Oregon. High temperatures will range from the 80's to middle 90's. Minimum relative humidity will be 20 to 30 percent in the inland areas west of the Cascades and could drop as low as 35 percent along the coast. East of the Cascades in Oregon minimum relative humidity will range from 10 to 20 percent, as low as 5 percent in south central and southeast Oregon, and 15 to 25 percent in Washington.

A ridge of high pressure remains over the Great Basin and western Rockies, bringing mostly sunny skies. Temperatures will range in the mountains from 75 to 85, and upper 80's to 90's in lower elevations. Relative humidity will be 10 to 25 percent in the mountains and 5 to 15 percent in the valleys. Winds will be variable or westerly 5 to 15 mph.

FIRE AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIREs							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIREs	2				1	1	4
NORTHWEST	ACRES	0				0	257	257
CA-NORTH	FIREs	3	1			8	1	13
CA-NORTH	ACRES	5	0			25	0	30
CA-SOUTH	FIREs					23	2	25
CA-SOUTH	ACRES					421	0	421
NORTHERN	FIREs	1				6	2	9
NORTHERN	ACRES	0				0	1573	1573
GB-EAST	FIREs		3			4	4	11
GB-EAST	ACRES		501			3	180	684
GB-WEST	FIREs		1					1
GB-WEST	ACRES		15					15
SOUTHWEST	IREs1						3	3
SOUTHWEST	ACRES						6	6
ROCKY MTN	FIREs		1				2	3
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		0				0	0
EASTERN	FIREs							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIREs					8		8
SOUTHERN	ACRES					12		12
TOTAL	FIREs	6	6	0	0	50	15	77
TOTAL	ACRES	5	516	0	0	461	2016	2998

FIREs AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIREs	2	2	15	2	310	3	334
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210139	3263	221940
NORTHWEST	FIREs	240	325	27	36	1292	1233	3153
NORTHWEST	ACRES	90811	300975	6487	187	107175	108214	613849
CA-NORTH	FIREs	122	74	8	23	2364	886	3477
CA-NORTH	ACRES	208	75032	5871	5	38856	76128	196100
CA-SOUTH	FIREs	107	115	16	38	1764	603	2643
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	406	1392	1263	11	19643	31267	53982
NORTHERN	FIRE	739	41	19	35	613	655	2102
NORTHERN	ACRES	8202	4921	393	2858	11867	34927	63168
GB-EAST	FIREs	64	902		60	798	828	2652
GB-EAST	ACRES	781	97507		940	122893	26948	249069
GB-WEST	FIREs	18	561	4	15	107	194	899
GB-WEST	ACRES	8965	478613	1	812	31398	61590	581379
SOUTHWEST	FIREs	1141	199	16	43	705	1545	3649
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5383	5483	4568	1083	19381	20285	56183
ROCKY MTN	FIREs	325	547	23	53	382	519	1849
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2032	12665	300	175	10193	7311	32676
EASTERN	FIREs	330		10	49	10235	451	11075
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	40094	5526	60988
SOUTHERN	FIREs	35		60	1081	23240	687	25103

SOUTHERN	ACRES	4749		19316	37329	614267	18812	694473
TOTALS	FIRES	3123	2766	198	1435	41810	7604	56936
TOTALS	ACRES	136391	977673	39828	49738	1225906	394271	2823807

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 62,160  
 TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 2,870,990

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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		44	51
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		9305	9699
NORTHERN	FIRES	21	7	112		44	301	485

NORTHERN	ACRES	1736	5840	15570		4309	29906	57361
GB-EAST	FIRES		8	4	3	9	40	64
GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8876	13250
GB-WEST	FIRES		9		1		2	12
GB-WEST	ACRES		805		0		182	987
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	29	11		2	204	259
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21947	35634		500	59097	119380
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	113	3	2	50	189
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	14760	303	762	26747	49464
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		182	15	142	882	1228
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		53257	33902	87697	702286	877860
TOTAL	FIRES	90	147	508	35	522	2005	3307
TOTAL	ACRES	20415	38719	147734	35921	139075	913134	1294998

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				29		11	40
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				7032		73	7105
NORTHERN	FIRES				12		23	35
NORTHERN	ACRES				501		2528	3029
GB-EAST	FIRES				2			2
GB-EAST	ACRES				530			530
GB-WEST	FIRES	2	24					26
GB-WEST	ACRES	0	5671					5671
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2		21	23
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1104		7185	8289
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		17	1	2		10	30
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2810	48	934		603	4395
EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
EASTERN	ACRES						24	24
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	2	41	1	49	0	68	161
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	8481	48	10102	0	10414	29045

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires	Hectares	Fires	Hectares
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date

BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	1048	8462
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	68	17772
ALBERTA	1	0	816	151699
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	123	105914
SASKATCHEWAN	13	7	696	179992
MANITOBA	2	2027	473	77772
ONTARIO	16	6	1350	10536
QUEBEC	9	2	927	31107
NEWFOUNDLAND	2	0	180	809
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	396	544
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	373	400
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	20	24
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	86	17318
TOTALS	44	2042	6556	602349

#### 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	156	133	69	191	21	37			1132	1115
CA-NORTH	15	5	6	6	4	1			121	113
CA-SOUTH	115	80	89	136	31	26	6		344	413
NORTHERN	71	6	23	56	13	29			592	419
GB-EAST	23	10	37	4	16	8	1		189	47
GB-WEST	1		5	2	2	2			16	3
SOUTHWEST			2							
ROCKY MTN	2	1	4	10		1				16
EASTERN									15	
SOUTHERN										
TOTAL	383	235	235	405	87	104	7	0	2409	2126

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