

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2001 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Four new large fires were reported, one each in the Northwest, Eastern Great Basin, Rocky Mountain and Northern Rockies Areas. Four large fires were contained; two in Eastern Great Basin, and one each in the Northwest and Rocky Mountain Areas. Heavy initial attack activity was reported in the Northwest and northern California Areas. Light to moderate activity was reported elsewhere. Very high to extreme fire indices was reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

On July 10, firefighters from a USFS crew working the Thirty Mile #103 fire on the Okanogan National Forest deployed fire shelters when entrapped in a narrow canyon of the Chewuch River Valley. Four firefighters were fatally injured. The firefighting community extends condolences to family and friends of the deceased.

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

THIRTY MILE #103, Okanogan National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. The fire was monitored yesterday as a suppression strategy was developed.

LIBBY SOUTH, Northeast Washington State. A Unified Command with a Washington State Department of Natural Resources Type 2 Team (Dunton) and a National Type 2 Incident Management Team (Halloway) is in place. This human caused fire is 15 miles south of Twisp, WA. Low relative humidity is allowing the fire to burn at night.

DAM TOWER, Colville Agency, BIA. A Washington State Department of Natural Resources Type 2 Team (Berndt/Baarspul) is assigned. This fire is less than a mile northeast of Coulee Dam, WA. Progress has been made on portions of the fire, but a threat still remains to structures near the fire front.

HORSE SPRING, Burns District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned, and is managing several of the smaller fires in the zone. This fire is in Harney County, OR, and is burning in ponderosa pine, juniper, bitterbrush and sagebrush.

DOUBLE OO, Burns District, BLM. This lightning caused fire is 26 miles south of Burns, OR.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
THIRTY MILE #10	WA	OKF	8200	UNK	UNK	NR	31	3	9	NR	NR
LIBBY SOUTH	WA	NES	1240	UNK	7/13	687	10	25	1	0	900K
DAM TOWER	WA	COA	2800	85	7/16	333	7	28	1	0	NR

HORSE SPRING	OR	BUD	60	60	7/13	351	9	31	2	0	220K
DOUBLE OO	OR	BUD	1000	0	UNK	50	0	13	2	0	NR
LOST CREEK	OR	BUD	200	100	---	13	0	3	0	0	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
GREYS RIVER COM	WY	BTF	233	100	---	299	11	6	2	0	875K
EAST BREAD	ID	BOD	600	100	---	84	2	6	2	0	NR

BTF = Bridger-Teton National Forest
BOD = Lower Snake River District, BLM

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

KELLOG, Craig District, BLM. This lightning caused fire is 12 miles northwest of Meeker, CO, and is within the Black Mountain Wilderness Study Area. The fire is in monitor status.

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. This fire is in the Mt. Zirkel Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. Fire activity has slowed due to recent precipitation.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
KELLOG	CO	CRD	375	80	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	150	80	7/12	32	1	0	2	0	NR
ILES MOUNTAIN	CO	CRD	125	100	---	30	1	2	1	0	NR

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

COTTONWOOD CREEK, Clearwater Supervisory Area, Idaho Department of Lands. This fire is 16 miles west, southwest of Cottonwood, ID. The fire is burning in grass and pockets of timber.

LIBBY CREEK, Kootenai National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Swope) is assigned. This fire is seven miles south of Libby, MT. Good progress has been made by crews with containment efforts on all divisions. Lower temperatures and higher relative humidity have assisted suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
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COTTONWOOD CREEK	ID	CWS	1250	65	7/13	100	3	0	9	0	NR
LIBBY CREEK	MT	KNF	135	60	UNK	235	9	3	3	0	NR

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

SILENT, Riverside Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. This fire is in Riverside County, south of Banning, CA.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SILENT	CA	RRU	625	0	UNK	176	7	17	3	0	NR

OUTLOOK:

A southerly flow will continue to spread moisture and instability into the Pacific Northwest. This will bring partly cloudy skies, scattered showers and mostly wet thundershowers. High temperatures will be in the 80's west of the Cascade range, and 90's to the east. Minimum relative humidity will range at or above 40 percent west of the Cascades. East of the Cascades relative humidity will range from 20 to 30 percent in Oregon and 15 percent in parts of Washington. Winds will be west at 3 to 8 mph up to 12 mph, with gusts up to 25 mph on the east slopes of the Washington and north Oregon Cascades. Wind gusts will be up to 35 mph near the stronger thunderstorms.

High pressure centered over the southern plains will continue to inject monsoonal moisture into Colorado and the Eastern Great Basin while a dry westerly flow will develop over Wyoming. This will bring scattered afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms to most of the area, except for Wyoming which has a lesser chance of heavy showers. High temperatures will be 70 to 80 in the mountains, and 80 to 90 at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 25 percent at lower elevations in the Eastern Great Basin, and 25 to 30 percent in the mountains. The Rocky Mountain Area minimum relative humidity will range from 25 to 35 percent, except for the mountains which will be 35 to 45 percent. Winds will increase from the southwest at 10 to 20 mph across Utah, and will be variable at 5 to 15 mph elsewhere.

Some subtropical moisture will remain over the northeast portion of Nevada for isolated afternoon thunderstorms, otherwise the rest of the state will be mostly sunny. High temperatures will be 85 to 95 in the north and central portions, and 100 to 110 across the south. Minimum relative humidity will range from 10 to 20 percent. Winds will be southwest at 10 to 18 mph in the afternoon.

Low pressure off the northern California coast will move northeast overnight. This will bring mostly fair skies and light winds as the atmosphere becomes more stable. There will be a chance of isolated

thunderstorms in the northwest corner of the state and along the California and Oregon border. High temperatures will be in the 80's to 90's inland. Minimum relative humidity will range from 20 to 35 percent inland. Winds will be southwest at 5 to 15 mph.

High pressure building from the east will bring clear skies and warmer temperatures to southern California. High temperatures will be 95 to 110 in the east, and 65 to 75 in the west. Minimum relative humidity will be 8 to 15 percent in the east, and 30 to 40 percent in the west. Winds will be southwest to west at 10 to 20 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		14	2		16	74	106
NORTHWEST	ACRES		1002	31		7	73	1113
CA-NORTH	FIRES				2	98	117	217
CA-NORTH	ACRES				0	165	18	183
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	2			11	8	22
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	1	0			9	15	25
NORTHERN	FIRES	2	1			2	8	13
NORTHERN	ACRES	2	1			512	1	516
GB-EAST	FIRES		9		0	4	14	27
GB-EAST	ACRES		1670		10	581	2	2263
GB-WEST	FIRES		4			3	2	9
GB-WEST	ACRES		0			1	0	1
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	2	1		1	3	12	19
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	0	30		1	2	1	34
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		10	1		2	8	21
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		4	5		1	1	11
EASTERN	FIRES					7	5	12
EASTERN	ACRES					5	4	9
SOUTHERN	FIRES					44		44
SOUTHERN	ACRES					138		138
TOTAL	FIRES	5	41	3	3	190	248	490
TOTAL	ACRES	3	2707	36	11	1421	115	4293

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		2	14	2	286	3	307
ALASKA	ACRES		1085	1659	5256	203530	3263	214793
NORTHWEST	FIRES	130	111	9	7	601	380	1238
NORTHWEST	ACRES	6981	22058	2043	2	3536	4115	38735
CA-NORTH	FIRES	48	17	2	17	1483	496	2063
CA-NORTH	ACRES	81	1017	51	5	32677	3976	37807

CA-SOUTH	FIRES	25	35	13	32	1100	359	1564
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	18	1318	1172	22	10286	16248	29064
NORTHERN	FIRE	577	15	10	5	329	182	1118
NORTHERN	ACRES	6369	909	321	0	9401	772	17772
GB-EAST	FIRES	40	404		23	292	290	1049
GB-EAST	ACRES	593	44140		542	14301	3027	62603
GB-WEST	FIRES	10	252	1	9	53	91	416
GB-WEST	ACRES	6715	46133	1	4	9900	9734	72487
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	953	101	9	27	581	1068	2739
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	4930	4227	4439	1072	24970	12278	51916
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	75	334	20	20	239	289	977
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	936	5042	300	110	8766	1030	16184
EASTERN	FIRES	323		5	46	8846	402	9622
EASTERN	ACRES	14852		13	496	37200	5239	57800
SOUTHERN	FIRES	42		57	1080	22155	636	23970
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4735		19298	37322	575298	18394	655047
TOTALS	FIRES	2223	1271	140	1268	35965	4196	45063
TOTALS	ACRES	46210	125929	29297	44831	929865	78076	1254208

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 46,974
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 1,520,605

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						2	2
SOUTHWEST	ACRES						3	3
ROCKY MTN	FIRES			1				1
ROCKY MTN	ACRES			90				90
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	2	3
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	90	0	0	3	93

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		2	1	5
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		446	1081	2277
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	62	9			304	392
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	5073	7194			45032	61655
CA-NORTH	FIRES	19	6	1	1		39	66
CA-NORTH	ACRES	258	100	160	10		9512	10040
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	1	2		41	46
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	95	174		5193	5474
NORTHERN	FIRES	18	7	81		44	299	449
NORTHERN	ACRES	1723	5840	10268		4309	29876	52016
GB-EAST	FIRES		7	4	3	9	40	63
GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8378	12752
GB-WEST	FIRES		4		1		2	7
GB-WEST	ACRES		604		0		182	786
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	12	26	11		2	154	205
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2176	20833	35634		500	48462	107605
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	9	91	1	2	35	140
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	3506	13582	303	762	20666	41319
EASTERN	FIRES	10		67	10	318	126	531
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17828	1355	43798	16085	87707
SOUTHERN	FIRES	12		167	12	145	860	1196
SOUTHERN	ACRES	1408		50745	25799	87919	691392	857263
TOTAL	FIRES	90	124	433	30	522	1901	3100
TOTAL	ACRES	21062	36790	138141	27818	139224	875859	1238894

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							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				23		4	27
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				16		0	16
NORTHERN	FIRES						4	4
NORTHERN	ACRES						1	1
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				1		11	12
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				48		3835	3883
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		2				3	5
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		152				151	303

EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	2	0	24	0	22	48
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	152	0	64	0	3987	4203

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	13	357	580	1788
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	51	15649
ALBERTA	40	92	685	151352
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	561	67	54500
SASKATCHEWAN	5	117	536	106747
MANITOBA	2	4	323	64900
ONTARIO	12	12	494	5893
QUEBEC	3	0	534	12293
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	88	85
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	250	428
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	239	204
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	9	22
NATIONAL PARKS	1	401	43	7463
TOTALS	78	1544	3899	421324

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		1								
NORTHWEST	49	31	135	78	20	2	3		474	233
CA-NORTH	21		87	6	7	3				
CA-SOUTH	12	7	9	28	7	2			1	15
NORTHERN	11	3	6	1	4	8			29	20
GB-EAST	20	2	47	12	11	2			68	5
GB-WEST	2	2	1	3	2					
SOUTHWEST	13		4		1				1	
ROCKY MTN	9		17		6	2			22	
EASTERN	1								2	
SOUTHERN			4	1	1				12	
TOTAL	128	46	310	129	59	19	3	0	609	273

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