

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, JULY 30, 2001 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Five new large fires were reported, four in Northern Rockies and one in Rocky Mountain Areas. Three large fires reached containment, one each in Northern Rockies, Northwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

GREEN KNOLL, Bridger-Teton National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Carvalho) is assigned. This fire is located along Mosquito Creek, southwest of Wilson and approximately six miles southwest of Jackson, WY. A Unified Command with Teton County Fire Department is in effect. Mandatory evacuations are still in effect for five subdivisions, including Indian Paintbrush, Crescent H Ranch and residences along Fall Creek Road. Fall Creek Road continues to be closed to public access. Good progress in containment efforts were made in all divisions.

SNOWSHOE, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Saleen) is assigned. This fire is 25 miles northwest of Stanley, ID. A revised wildfire situation analysis was approved, with the preferred alternative being an indirect strategy keeping the fire within the Pistol Creek drainage. The fire continued to advance down the south side of the Pistol Creek drainage below the confluence with Luger Creek.

FLEMING CREEK, Lower Snake River District, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This human caused fire is eight miles north of Horseshoe Bend, ID. Rugged terrain continues to hamper containment efforts, with some areas being inaccessible via ground resources. Highway 55 still faces temporary closures due to fire equipment and rolling debris.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
GREEN KNOLL	WY	BTF	4470	70	8/2	1369	41	59	11	0	6.8M
SNOWSHOE	ID	SCF	2400	10	9/20	287	9	0	5	0	901K
FLEMING CREEK	ID	BOD	419	60	7/30	391	14	9	2	0	NR
DOE FLAT	ID	BOD	6277	100	---	136	2	11	4	0	NR

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

STREAM, Plumas National Forest. A National Type 1 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This fire is 25 miles northeast of Quincy, CA. Mopup

and fireline improvement continues. POWERHOUSE, Shasta-Trinity Ranger Unit, California Department of Forestry. A California Department of Forestry Type 1 Incident Management Team (Walters) is assigned. This fire is burning near the community of Big Bend, CA and is threatening numerous structures.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STREAM	CA	PNF	3560	60	8/1	1164	37	17	7	0	1.8M
POWERHOUSE	CA	SHU	416	95	7/30	1385	43	81	6	0	528K

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BRICEBURG, Sierra National Forest. A Unified Command with California Department of Forestry Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hodson) and a California Interagency Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rios) has been established. This fire is 15 miles east of Mariposa, CA. Fire activity remains low due to increased night time relative humidity. Mopup operations continue along Sweetwater Ridge.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BRICEBURG	CA	SNF	728	70	8/1	552	13	8	0	0	2.5M

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

UNION VALLEY, Southeast Washington State. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gormley) is assigned and will assume 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. The fire continues to burn actively in grass, sage and stringers of ponderosa pine and has moved north out of the Union Valley into Washington Creek.

PORT KELLY, Washington State. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Jennings/Graue) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles southeast of Kennewick, WA and near the community of Wallula, WA. Demobilization of resources is starting to occur.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
UNION VALLEY	WA	SES	2500	10	UNK	489	17	24	6	3	NR
PORT KELLY	WA	WFS	5000	75	UNK	110	0	41	0	0	NR
PORT	OR	ORS	5000	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR

ORS = Oregon State, Umatilla County

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

TABOR CREEK, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Murphy) is assigned. This fire, burning in grass and sagebrush, is 13 miles north of Metropolis, NV. The fire continues to torch along the perimeter and interior islands of unburned fuels. Heavy use of retardant aircraft helped to hold the fire during high wind events yesterday.

SMITH CREEK, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. This lightning caused fire is 40 miles west to southwest of Ely, NV. The fire made no significant runs, but 40 percent of the perimeter was active. Additional crews and air support were requested to help with containment efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TABOR CREEK	NV	EKD	7005	75	7/30	337	9	10	3	0	NR
SMITH CREEK	NV	HTF	2100	30	7/31	180	6	9	2	0	NR

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

AUTHOR, Yellowstone National Park. This fire is near the southeast entrance of Yellowstone National Park. Visitor and internal park structures are threatened. High winds forced all aircraft to be grounded, hampering containment efforts.

CASTLE, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. This fire, burning in ponderosa pine, grass and sagebrush is 40 miles southwest of Glasgow, MT. Twenty foot flame lengths were observed. Winds are impeding containment efforts.

KILL WOMAN, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. This fire, burning in ponderosa pine and grass, is 40 miles southwest of Glasgow, MT. Strong winds are hampering containment efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
AUTHUR	WY	YNP	200	0	UNK	10	0	2	0	0	10K
CASTLE	MT	LED	2000	10	UNK	152	5	9	0	0	NR
KILL WOMAN	MT	LED	500	50	7/30	56	2	4	0	0	NR
LIGHTNING	MT	FBA	350	100		12	0	0	0	0	NR

FBA = Ft. Belknap Agency

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. This fire is in the Mount Zirkel

Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. Blow down in the area helped to create an intense surface fire with some short range spotting.

WEST PLATEAU, San Juan National Forest. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is 20 miles northeast of Dolores, CO. The fire made significant runs due to hot, dry and windy conditions.

ECKLUND COMPLEX, Little Snake Field Office, BLM. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) 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. The Ecklund fire continues to exhibit a creeping surface fire, which is active over a four acre area. A few smoldering areas were observed on the Davis Draw fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	670	20	7/31	141	5	1	4	0	178K
WEST PLATEAU	CO	SJF	200	0	10/1	12	0	2	1	0	NR
ECKLUND COMPLEX	CO	LSD	3K	30	10/1	53	1	2	1	0	546K

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN WESTERN UTAH FOR WINDS, DRY UNSTABLE AIRMASS AND DRY FUELS ***

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHWEST WYOMING FOR WINDS, DRY UNSTABLE AIRMASS, DRY FUELS AND WARM TEMPERATURES ***

High pressure will move eastward allowing a Pacific cool front to move through Utah. This will bring partly sunny and windy conditions to Utah, with a chance of isolated dry thunderstorms. Southern Idaho will have an increasing chance of showers and afternoon thunderstorms. High temperatures in Utah will be 75 to 85 in the mountains and 90's at lower elevations. Idaho will have high temperatures in the 60's in the mountains and 65 to 75 at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range from 5 to 15 percent at the lower elevations of Utah and 10 to 20 percent in the mountains. Minimum relative humidity in Idaho will range from 30 to 40 percent to the west and 10 to 25 percent east. Winds will be west to southwest at 15 to 25 mph in Idaho and southwest at 20 to 30 mph with gusts up to 45 mph in Utah.

High pressure moving eastward will allow an increase in tropical moisture. This will bring mostly sunny and windy conditions to Wyoming, with scattered afternoon thunderstorms to the northwest and isolated thunderstorms east. Colorado will have partly sunny skies with isolated to widely scattered dry afternoon thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 70's to mid 80's in the mountains, and 90's at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range from 10 to 20 percent, except for 15 to 25 percent in the mountains. Winds will be west to southwest at 10 to 25 mph, with gusts up to 40 mph in eastern Wyoming.

A low pressure will move through northern California bringing mostly cloudy to partly cloudy skies with a few light showers in the very north and isolated light showers and thunderstorms in the Cascades and Sierra Crest eastward. High temperatures will be in the 60's along the coast and mid 70's to lower 90's inland. Minimum relative humidity will range from 55 percent along the coast, to 25 percent inland. Winds will be west to northwest at 5 to 15 mph and 15 to 25 mph over higher terrain along the Cascades and Sierra Crest eastward.

High pressure that has been over southern California will move eastward as a low pressure system moves into the northern part of the state. This will bring fog and low clouds spreading inland, otherwise conditions will be sunny and warm. High temperatures will be near 70 along the coast, 80's to mid 90's inland and 98 to 108 in lower elevation deserts. Minimum relative humidity will range from 12 to 25 percent. Winds will be south to southwest at 10 to 25 mph and locally gusty.

An upper level trough will move into the Pacific Northwest bringing cloudy skies and showers, with wet thundershowers possible in eastern Oregon and northeastern Washington. High temperatures will be in the mid 60's to mid 70's along western Oregon and Washington, ranging to the lower 80's in the interior portions of southwestern Oregon. East of the Cascades high temperatures will be in 60's in the mountains and 70 to near 80 at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range at or above 40 percent west of the Cascades. East of the Cascades minimum relative humidity will range from 20 to 30 percent in the valleys and 25 to 40 at higher elevations. Winds will be northwest to north at 6 to 10 mph west of the Cascades, except for 15 to 20 mph along the southern Oregon coast. Winds will be northwest to west at 6 to 12 mph, except 10 to 15 mph in the Columbia River Gorge and southeastern Oregon with gusts to 25 mph in the afternoon.

A Pacific trough will move into Nevada bringing partly cloudy skies and a slight chance of showers north. High temperatures will be in the 80's in the north and central portions of the state and 95 to 105 south. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 25 percent. Winds will be southwest to west at 15 to 25 mph and gusty.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1	12		9	4	26
NORTHWEST	ACRES		121	1442		4763	2	6328
CA-NORTH	FIRES					17	1	18
CA-NORTH	ACRES					655	25	680
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1		4	5
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				0		25	25
NORTHERN	FIRES	4	3		2	2	11	22
NORTHERN	ACRES	406	500		200	0	2	1108
GB-EAST	FIRES		0			5	6	11
GB-EAST	ACRES		4449			8	1316	5773

GB-WEST	FIRES						2	2
GB-WEST	ACRES						2	2
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	4					14	18
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	0					6	6
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		2			1	3	6
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		4			0	71	75
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	8	6	12	3	34	45	108
TOTAL	ACRES	406	5074	1442	200	5426	1449	13997

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	186	203	22	25	990	726	2152
NORTHWEST	ACRES	9191	66596	3486	7	19946	11527	110753
CA-NORTH	FIRES	96	25	3	22	1821	694	2661
CA-NORTH	ACRES	153	1282	4368	5	33999	7255	47062
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	30	55	16	40	1291	420	1852
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	23	1343	1263	28	12399	17736	32792
NORTHERN	FIRE	643	25	11	10	432	351	1472
NORTHERN	ACRES	7219	1457	277	202	9439	821	19415
GB-EAST	FIRES	46	590		37	414	485	1572
GB-EAST	ACRES	573	72859		879	104287	10231	188829
GB-WEST	FIRES	9	309	2	13	82	122	537
GB-WEST	ACRES	8930	56294	1	104	36454	12679	114462
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1057	135	15	34	638	1294	3173
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5310	4887	4478	1074	26018	18595	60362
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	205	398	20	28	276	366	1293
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	1240	5980	300	169	8980	1692	18361
EASTERN	FIRES	329		5	47	9573	412	10366
EASTERN	ACRES	14853		13	496	39301	5328	59991
SOUTHERN	FIRES	57		58	1081	22459	655	24310
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4860		19298	37329	577876	18593	657956
TOTALS	FIRES	2660	1742	166	1339	38273	5528	49708
TOTALS	ACRES	52352	211783	35095	46135	1078836	107720	1531921

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 52,735
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 1,932,440

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	65	9			314	405
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4799	7194			50057	66406
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	4	1		41	72
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	495	10		9512	10379
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		41	48
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		5498	5892
NORTHERN	FIRES	18	7	81		44	301	451
NORTHERN	ACRES	1723	5840	10268		4309	29881	52021
GB-EAST	FIRES		7	4	3	9	40	63
GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8874	13248
GB-WEST	FIRES		5		1		2	8
GB-WEST	ACRES		804		0		182	986
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	25	11		2	180	231
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21172	35634		500	52771	112279
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	91	3	2	49	166
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	13582	303	762	26744	48283
EASTERN	FIRES	10		67	10	320	126	533
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17828	1355	43868	16085	87777
SOUTHERN	FIRES	12		175	13	145	877	1222
SOUTHERN	ACRES	1408		51498	30099	87919	701982	872906
TOTAL	FIRES	92	137	446	33	525	1972	3205
TOTAL	ACRES	21092	37941	139342	32118	139297	902667	1272457

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				26		8	34
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				16		20	36
NORTHERN	FIRES				7		10	17
NORTHERN	ACRES				0		17	17
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES		14					14
GB-WEST	ACRES		854					854
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2		19	21
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				853		7185	8038
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		4	1	2		8	15
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2803	48	934		352	4137
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	18	1	39	0	46	104
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	3657	48	1804	0	7575	13084

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	810	2712
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	59	16161
ALBERTA	4	4	744	151508
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	22	113	87973
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	594	166234
MANITOBA	3	2	403	69709
ONTARIO	4	0	731	9962
QUEBEC	2	1893	598	14760
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	0	108	347
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	278	364
NOVA SCOTIA	2	0	265	224
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	11	22
NATIONAL PARKS	4	5	59	7655
TOTALS	25	1926	4773	527631

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	8	41	13	80	5	6			107	158
CA-NORTH	28	20	19	4	8	2			122	54
CA-SOUTH	31	8	28	5	7				178	176
NORTHERN	17		22	15	8	1			28	
GB-EAST	65	3	54	49	14	10			295	44
GB-WEST	8	7	6	13	4	2			39	58
SOUTHWEST	3		5		2	1			22	1
ROCKY MTN	8		14	2	6	2			40	8
EASTERN					1				50	
SOUTHERN										
TOTAL	168	79	161	168	55	24	0	0	881	499

*** THE NATIONAL INTERAGENCY COORDINATION CENTER ***

distributed by

Center for International Disaster Information
Volunteers in Technical Assistance

web: www.cidi.org
listserv: www.cidi.org/listserv.htm

<http://www.cidi.org/wildfire/fire.htm>

FAQ/Region Designations