

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2001 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Four new large fires were reported, two in the Northwest Area, one in Northern California, and one in the Northern Rockies. Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah, Oregon and Washington.

EASTERN AREA SUPPORT:

NEW YORK CITY SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. The incident command post is at the Jacob Javits Convention Center in Manhattan, New York City, NY. The team is operating a mobilization, receiving and distribution center from a warehouse adjacent to the convention center. They are also supporting the Disaster Medical Assistance Team and urban search and rescue operations. A planning group has been assigned to the New York City Fire Department's incident command post, and the Communication Unit Leader has been assisting with radio support. The Geographic Information System team is providing detailed maps for the search and rescue efforts.

EDISON SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. The main objective is to assist with the movement of supplies, equipment and personnel to support the Disaster Field Office. The team is based out of Edison, NJ, and is divided into three task forces. The first taskforce (Warehouse) is managing the receiving and distribution center. The second task force (Operation Barge) is developing a plan for the long term offsite logistics operations in support of the incident. The third task force (Sheraton Hotel Incident Command Post) is providing incident information and fiscal guidance.

SOUTHERN AREA SUPPORT:

PENTAGON SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Gage) is assigned and has merged with the existing Incident Support Team. The incident command post is located at the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. The team continues to provide coordination and logistical support to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Urban Search and Rescue Task Forces. The Plans section has facilitated development of a Geographic Information System group plan for FEMA, the Incident Support Team, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Arlington County Fire Department. Information displays have been developed for all agencies.

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CRAGGIE, Siskiyou National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is 24 miles east of Gold Beach, OR, in the Kalmiopsis Wilderness Area. Heavy fuels and limited access hamper containment efforts. The fire burned actively on the northeast perimeter.

NORTH COPPEI, Washington State Headquarters, Southeast. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Berndt/Baarspul) is assigned. This fire is 4 miles east of Waitsburg, WA and is burning in sage and grass. Strong winds and steep terrain hamper containment efforts.

TOMMY CREEK, Wenatchee National Forest. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Dunton/Holloway) is assigned. This fire is 30 miles northwest of Entiat, WA. Trail closures and evacuations remain in effect. A structure protection plan is being developed.

SALT CREEK COMPLEX, Gifford Pinchot National Forest. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gromley) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Salt Creek and Aiken Lava fires, is 12 miles northwest of Trout Lake, WA. Nearby trail closures remain in effect.

BOUNDARY, Okanogan National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This fire is 35 miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. No further information was received.

REX CREEK COMPLEX, Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jennings) is 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. A planned burnout operation will be conducted.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
CRAGGIE	OR	SIF	250	0	UNK	327	11	0	5	0	614K	
NORTH COPPEI	WA	SES	5000	10	UNK	341	19	12	0	0	NR	
TOMMY CREEK	WA	WEF	516	0	UNK	450	12	15	1	0	731K	
SALT CREEK COMP	WA	GPF	472	30	9/25	440	16	0	5	0	580K	
BOUNDARY	WA	OKF	120	10	UNK	153	3	0	3	0	NR	
REX CREEK COMPL	WA	WEF	45700	85	9/25	321	5	4	6	2	11.2M	

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

GASQUET COMPLEX, Six Rivers National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Szczepanik) has been ordered. This complex of fires is located 14 miles north of Gasquet, CA, in the Smith River National Recreation Area. Steep, rugged terrain and limited access hamper containment efforts.

HAPPY CAMP COMPLEX, Klamath National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rios) is assigned. This complex of fires is located on the Happy Camp Ranger District. The fire remains active, with snags and rolling material posing safety concerns.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
GASQUET COMPLEX	CA	SRF	150	40	UNK	476	16	5	8	NR	NR	
HAPPY CAMP COMP	CA	KNF	600	10	UNK	927	32	16	9	0	1.5M	

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

JACKSON CREEK, Montana Department of Resources and Conservation, Central Land Office. This fire is located 15 miles northeast of Bozeman, MT. No additional information was reported.

MOOSE, Flathead National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Swope) is assigned. This fire is 13 miles north of Whitefish, MT. The fire was active due to dry, windy weather. A task force has been formed to evaluate the extent, and possible strategies to deal with a coal fire burning within the interior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
JACKSON CREEK	MT	CES	120	0	UNK	60	0	9	2	0	NR	
MOOSE	MT	FNF	69365	45	UNK	667	18	25	6	3	14.5M	

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

KEIGLY WEST MOUNTAIN, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake Field Office. This fire is 10 miles west of Springdale, UT. Crews made good progress with fireline construction along the east and west flanks.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
KEIGLY WEST MTN	UT	SLD	400	50	UNK	42	0	10	2	0	NR	

OUTLOOK:

An upper level disturbance will move over the Washington coast in the Northwest. High temperatures will be in the mid 70s to lower 80s in the valleys east of the Cascades and in southwest Oregon. The rest of the region will have high temperatures in the 60s and 70s. In southwest Oregon, the minimum relative humidity will be 15 to 25 percent. The rest of the area west of the Cascades will have minimum relative humidity above 40 percent. East of the Cascades, the minimum relative humidity will be 15 to 25 percent. Winds will be west to southwest at less than 15 mph.

High pressure over Northern California will continue to bring sunny skies, except for morning fog and low clouds in coastal regions. High temperatures will be in the 60s along the coast, and in the 80s to mid 90s in the inland valleys. Minimum relative humidity will be 12 to 28 percent. Winds will be southwest to northwest at 6 to 14 mph.

The Northern Rockies Area will have partly cloudy skies and diminishing winds. West of the continental divide, high temperatures will be 70 to 80, with 80 to 90 in the central Idaho valleys. Minimum relative humidity will be 20 to 30 percent, with 15 to 25 percent in the central Idaho valleys. Winds will be west at 5 to 15 mph. East of the continental divide, high temperatures will be in the 60s in the northern portions, and 65 to 75 in the south. Minimum relative humidity will be 30 to 40 percent in the north and 25 to 35 percent in the south. Winds will be northwest at 15 to 25 mph.

A dry ridge of high pressure remains over the Eastern Great Basin bringing mostly sunny skies, except for isolated afternoon thunderstorms over southern Utah. High temperatures in Utah will be in the 80s to lower 90s in the lower elevations, with upper 60s to 70s in the mountains. Idaho will have high temperatures in the upper 70s to low 80s in the lower elevations and 60s in the mountains. Minimum relative humidity will be 7 to 20 percent over Utah and southwest Idaho, and 15 to 30 percent over eastern Idaho. Winds will be westerly at 10 to 15 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		4			7	7	18
NORTHWEST	ACRES		1			5003	3	5007
CA-NORTH	FIRES	2				13	4	19
CA-NORTH	ACRES	2				8	0	10
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					7	2	9
CA-SOUTH	ACRES					0	0	0
NORTHERN	FIRES					9	16	25
NORTHERN	ACRES					152	36	188
GB-EAST	FIRES		1			4	5	10
GB-EAST	ACRES		400			201	1	602
GB-WEST	FIRES						1	1
GB-WEST	ACRES						1	1
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						1	1
SOUTHWEST	ACRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2						2
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	5						5
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					16		16
SOUTHERN	ACRES					62		62
TOTAL	FIRES	4	5	0	0	56	36	101
TOTAL	ACRES	7	401	0	0	5426	42	5876

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	319	3	343
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210484	3263	222285
NORTHWEST	FIRES	257	416	27	39	1759	1565	4063
NORTHWEST	ACRES	98136	296960	6488	618	107640	106430	616272
CA-NORTH	FIRES	148	80	9	25	2749	1169	4180
CA-NORTH	ACRES	237	75032	5871	5	47852	87296	216293
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	113	128	16	52	2055	706	3070
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	438	8951	1263	14	34448	29846	74960
NORTHERN	FIRE	773	48	20	36	799	803	2479
NORTHERN	ACRES	10348	5053	453	2858	13802	111410	143924
GB-EAST	FIRES	68	1047	2	64	699	1040	2920
GB-EAST	ACRES	693	123241	300	913	129167	51291	305605
GB-WEST	FIRES	18	660	4	16	115	232	1045
GB-WEST	ACRES	8941	481201	1	812	31790	61778	584523
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1193	210	16	44	686	1660	3809
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5509	5495	4568	1083	18967	21154	56776
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	339	690	25	63	483	608	2208
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2170	13032	300	181	46241	9545	71469
EASTERN	FIRES	331		10	53	11320	469	12183
EASTERN	ACRES	14894		18	499	40668	5558	61637
SOUTHERN	FIRES	36		78	1083	23601	704	25502
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4764		19722	37506	614549	18887	695428
TOTALS	FIRES	3278	3281	222	1477	44585	8959	61802
TOTALS	ACRES	146130	1010050	40595	50331	1295608	506458	3049172

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 66,838
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 3,461,993

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		0					0
NORTHWEST	ACRES		2000					2000
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES			1				1
CA-SOUTH	ACRES			33				33
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES				0		0	0
GB-EAST	ACRES				25		270	295

GB-WEST	FIRES		0					0
GB-WEST	ACRES		1400					1400
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	0					1	1
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	7					20	27
ROCKY MTN	FIRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	ACRES						180	180
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES			1			1	2
SOUTHERN	ACRES			21			35	56
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	2	0	0	3	5
TOTAL	ACRES	7	3400	54	25	0	505	3991

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	78	9			314	418
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	12043	7194			50057	73650
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	29	1		41	97
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	13597	10		9512	23481
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	6	2		44	54
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	336	174		9305	9827
NORTHERN	FIRES	22	7	122		44	301	496
NORTHERN	ACRES	1771	5840	16612		4309	29906	58438
GB-EAST	FIRES		13	4	6	9	41	73
GB-EAST	ACRES		2003	1890	234	1490	9206	14823
GB-WEST	FIRES		10		1		2	13
GB-WEST	ACRES		3535		0		182	3717
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	17	30	11	0	2	212	272
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2614	22037	35634	95	500	59985	120865
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	117	3	2	51	194
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	14901	303	762	26927	49785
EASTERN	FIRES	10		69	10	322	134	545
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		18151	1355	43933	15854	87934
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		193	15	142	883	1240
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		61517	35093	87697	702321	887346
TOTAL	FIRES	95	166	561	38	524	2024	3408
TOTAL	ACRES	20862	49967	170577	37264	139140	914336	1332146

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		2	4

NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				33		11	44
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				10408		73	10481
NORTHERN	FIRES				16		39	55
NORTHERN	ACRES				557		8878	9435
GB-EAST	FIRES				2		1	3
GB-EAST	ACRES				610		400	1010
GB-WEST	FIRES	2	31		1		1	35
GB-WEST	ACRES	0	7798		618		1	8417
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				5		21	26
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1777		7657	9434
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	1	21	1	2		12	37
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	0	2788	48	934		603	4373
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	3	52	1	61	0	87	204
TOTAL	ACRES	0	10586	48	14905	0	17613	43152

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	53	202	1175	9285
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	68	17772
ALBERTA	11	1	862	151824
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	124	105762
SASKATCHEWAN	6	-4	792	180544
MANITOBA	7	13	499	77897
ONTARIO	6	6	1516	10698
QUEBEC	12	1431	980	33092
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	187	1196
NEW BRUNSWICK	29	10	441	560
NOVA SCOTIA	22	13	439	426
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	29	26
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	94	17390
TOTALS	146	1672	7206	606472

Canada is now reporting on a weekly basis.
The next update will be on 9/26/01.

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	28	57	35	65	8	19				273	365
CA-NORTH	63	49	57	21	14	29	7	2		137	60
CA-SOUTH	11	16	6	9	2	6	1			42	273
NORTHERN	35		13	21	17	2				211	90
GB-EAST			12	7	3					8	1
GB-WEST	2		1		1						
SOUTHWEST	1		1								
ROCKY MTN					1						
EASTERN	2									132	11
SOUTHERN											
TOTAL	142	122	125	123	46	56	8	2		803	800

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