

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2002 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light across the nation. Nationally, 67 new fires were reported. Two new large fires were reported, one in the Southwest Area and one in the Northern California Area. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Northern California and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota and Wyoming.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

WILLIAMS, Angeles National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Walker) is assigned. A transfer of command to Raley s Type 1 Incident Management Team will occur today. This fire is 25 miles north of Azusa, CA. Extreme fire behavior with rapid rates of spread was observed in heavy brush. Crews are constructing fireline in steep terrain. Numerous subdivisions are being evacuated. One thousand residences are threatened; structure protection is in place.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|-------|----------|------------|--------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|---------------|
| WILLIAMS | CA | ANF | 4,339 | 12 | UNK | 1,462 | 56 | 93 | 8 | 0 | 500K |

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

CROY, Santa Clara Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is five miles west of Morgan Hill, CA. Moderate fire behavior with spotting was observed in brush, oak and timber. Crews and dozers are constructing fireline. Voluntary evacuations are underway in the vicinity of the fire. Fifty residences are threatened; structure protection is in place. Two outbuildings were confirmed lost.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|------|----------|------------|--------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|---------------|
| CROY | CA | SCU | 160 | 0 | UNK | 428 | 14 | 23 | 4 | 2 | NR |
| BIG HILL | CA | HIA | 177 | 100 | --- | 699 | 15 | 20 | 3 | 0 | 690K |

HIA = Hoopa Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CAT, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This fire is seven miles south of Alpine, AZ. Rapid rates of spread were observed in ponderosa pine and oak brush. Personnel are constructing fireline and burning out. Steep terrain is hampering containment efforts.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| CAT | AZ | ASF | 165 | 10 | 10/7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3K |

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

BIRD HILL, Nez Perce National Forest. This previously reported Wildfire Use Incident, which began on August 4th, is 35 miles west of Hamilton, MT. This fire is in monitor status and is being managed for resource benefit. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| BIRD HILL | ID | NPF | 1,350 | 0 | UNK | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4K |

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| ROCKY TOP GAP | TN | CNF | 1,025 | 100 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 227K |

CNF = Cherokee National Forest

OUTLOOK:

*****A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN SOUTHWEST OREGON FOR STRONG NORTHEAST WINDS AND LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY*****

High pressure over the Southern California Area will bring sunny skies with morning fog and low clouds along the coast. High temperatures will be in the low 70 s to low 80 s in coastal areas, low 90 s to 104 in the mountains and valleys, and the low 90 s to 108 in the deserts. Minimum relative humidity will range from 8 to 15 percent in the mountains and deserts, 10 to 20 percent in the inland valleys, and above 45 percent near the coast. Winds will be south to southwest at 7 to 17 mph over the mountains and deserts, and southwest to west at 6 to 12 mph along the coast.

The Northern California Area can expect mostly sunny skies with low clouds and fog along the coast in the morning. High temperatures will be in the 60 s and 70 s near the coast and from 80 to near 100 inland. Minimum relative humidity will range from 7 to 15 percent inland and above 40 percent near the coast. Winds will be variable under 10 mph.



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Topic of Choice

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | 1 | | | 3 | 2 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | | | 0 | 1,209 | 1,209 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | 14 | 2 | 16 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 17 | 0 | 17 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | 25 | 1 | 26 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 29 | 3,250 | 3,279 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | 2 | 4 | | 6 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | 3 | | 3 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 47 | 10 | 57 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 57 | 7 | 67 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 4,469 | 4,572 |

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | 1 | 32 | 31 | 10 | 452 | 17 | 543 |
| | ACRES | 4 | 581,096 | 345,609 | 133,708 | 1,130,847 | 16 | 2,191,280 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 260 | 316 | 36 | 49 | 1,497 | 1,268 | 3,426 |
| | ACRES | 18,244 | 147,687 | 2,799 | 39 | 109,563 | 816,390 | 1,094,722 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 217 | 22 | 7 | 16 | 2,233 | 633 | 3,128 |
| | ACRES | 680 | 6,884 | 820 | 3,666 | 13,122 | 36,494 | 61,666 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 75 | 80 | 18 | 33 | 2,679 | 680 | 3,565 |
| | ACRES | 10,237 | 25,790 | 86 | 747 | 70,022 | 285,666 | 392,548 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 930 | 51 | 32 | 46 | 543 | 905 | 2,507 |
| | ACRES | 13,893 | 10,537 | 2,178 | 9,153 | 31,264 | 84,034 | 151,059 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 69 | 549 | 8 | 42 | 547 | 969 | 2,184 |
| | ACRES | 5,326 | 75,673 | 408 | 33 | 114,115 | 148,002 | 343,557 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 10 | 461 | 2 | 11 | 91 | 151 | 726 |
| | ACRES | 316 | 39,389 | 80 | 6 | 884 | 42,302 | 82,977 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 1,168 | 286 | 31 | 70 | 1,238 | 1,717 | 4,510 |
| | ACRES | 263,685 | 20,616 | 6,870 | 17,865 | 215,557 | 448,882 | 973,475 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 410 | 576 | 51 | 66 | 1,149 | 743 | 2,995 |
| | ACRES | 54,478 | 68,345 | 685 | 9,115 | 195,198 | 323,143 | 650,964 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 762 | | 19 | 35 | 11,383 | 402 | 12,601 |
| | ACRES | 31,956 | | 1,225 | 609 | 65,626 | 3,313 | 102,729 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 102 | | 190 | 45 | 29,571 | 821 | 30,729 |
| | ACRES | 17,172 | | 147,132 | 6,665 | 289,326 | 26,164 | 486,459 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 4,004 | 2,373 | 425 | 423 | 51,383 | 8,306 | 66,914 |
| | ACRES | 415,991 | 976,017 | 507,892 | 181,606 | 2,235,524 | 2,214,406 | 6,531,436 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires | 68,939 |
| Ten Year Average Acres | 3,437,583 |

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | | 20 | 20 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 633 | 633 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 103 | 103 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 736 | 736 |

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | 1,085 | | | | 1,085 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 22 | 113 | 31 | 10 | 6 | 261 | 443 |
| | ACRES | 6,145 | 22,969 | 2,698 | 254 | 292 | 40,437 | 72,795 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 7 | 14 | 11 | 11 | | 93 | 136 |
| | ACRES | 163 | 1,269 | 20,019 | 231 | | 14,821 | 36,503 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 1 | 2 | 6 | 8 | | 97 | 114 |
| | ACRES | 70 | 24 | 286 | 817 | | 17,226 | 18,423 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 9 | 11 | 118 | 2 | 48 | 384 | 572 |
| | ACRES | 725 | 1,765 | 16,600 | 108 | 4,583 | 23,717 | 47,498 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 7,490 | 2 | 12 | 9 | 32 | 7,546 |
| | ACRES | 7 | 9,745 | 445 | 2,422 | 379 | 31,554 | 44,552 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 5 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | | | 2 | | 172 | 174 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 4 | 13 | 10 | | | 141 | 168 |
| | ACRES | 90 | 17,250 | 4,722 | | | 13,567 | 35,629 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 8 | 17 | 123 | 8 | 21 | 28 | 205 |
| | ACRES | 516 | 2,949 | 17,736 | 2,290 | 2,170 | 11,287 | 36,948 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 21 | | 257 | 8 | 495 | 147 | 928 |
| | ACRES | 8,709 | | 42,818 | 437 | 62,116 | 20,985 | 135,065 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 60 | | 238 | 86 | 17,300 | 892 | 18,576 |
| | ACRES | 11,061 | | 109,771 | 98,353 | 833,389 | 723,639 | 1,776,213 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 133 | 7,660 | 797 | 146 | 17,879 | 2,080 | 28,695 |
| | ACRES | 27,486 | 55,971 | 216,180 | 104,914 | 902,929 | 897,405 | 2,204,885 |

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | | | 6 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 12 | 12 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | 16 | | 4 | 20 |
| | ACRES | | | | 1,385 | | 1 | 1,386 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | 14 | | 42 | 56 |
| | ACRES | | | | 3,627 | | 4,509 | 8,136 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 12 | 13 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | 4,964 | 4,964 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 8 | | | | 1 | 9 |
| | ACRES | | 851 | | | | 1 | 852 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 8 | 9 |
| | ACRES | | | | 380 | | 4,485 | 4,865 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | 12 | | | 1 | 3 | 16 |
| | ACRES | | 736 | | | 0 | 22,594 | 23,330 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | 260 | | | 260 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 20 | 0 | 34 | 1 | 76 | 131 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1,587 | 0 | 5,652 | 0 | 36,566 | 43,805 |

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RESOURCES 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 | 14 | 11 | 14 | 48 | 1 | 9 | 1 | | 292 | 187 |
| Northern California | 15 | 18 | 22 | 26 | 2 | 5 | 1 | | 20 | 36 |
| Southern California | 26 | 39 | 45 | 68 | 14 | 1 | 3 | | 57 | 108 |
| Northern Rockies | | | 7 | 4 | | 2 | | | 1 | |
| Eastern Great Basin | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | | | | 10 | |
| Western Great Basin | | | | | | | | | | |
| Southwest | | | 1 | | | | | | 6 | |
| Rocky Mountain | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 |
| Eastern Area | | | | 1 | | | | | 131 | 2 |
| Southern Area | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 57 | 69 | 94 | 148 | 22 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 519 | 334 |

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