

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2002 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light across the nation. Nationally, 35 new fires were reported. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Northwest and Northern California Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Wyoming.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

WILLIAMS, Angeles National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This fire is 25 miles north of Azusa, CA. Moderate to low intensity fire behavior was observed in heavy brush. Crews are burning out along Mt. Baldy Road, patrolling and mopping up. Residents in the Mt. Baldy Village remain evacuated; structure protection is in place. The damage assessment group confirmed that 62 residences and 14 outbuildings have been lost.

PAIUTE, Inyo National Forest. This fire is in brush and bristlecone pine, 12 miles northeast of Bishop, CA. The fire has received snow and has been placed in monitor status. 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
WILLIAMS	CA	ANF	35,925	75	10/2	2,440	57	163	14	76	12.8M
PAIUTE	CA	INF	391	95	9/29	0	0	0	1	0	305K

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

CONE, Lassen National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This fire is 18 miles southeast of Fall River Mills, CA. Minimal fire activity was observed in heavy timber. Crews are constructing and improving fireline, mopping up and patrolling.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CONE	CA	LNF	2,000	60	9/29	950	32	50	3	0	1.3M
CROY	CA	SCU	3,127	100	---	1,926	63	121	6	31	7.4M

SCU = Santa Clara Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CAT, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This fire is burning in ponderosa pine and oak brush, seven miles south of Alpine, AZ. Moderate to low intensity fire behavior was observed. Personnel are constructing fireline near Indian Peak and mopping up the east flank.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CAT	AZ	ASF	500	20	10/7	12	0	0	0	0	9K

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BOWL	OR	MHF	339	100	---	333	9	8	4	0	1.4M

MHF = Mount Hood National Forest

OUTLOOK:

Weakening low pressure over the Southern California Area will bring mostly sunny skies with widespread low clouds and fog along the coast. High temperatures will be in the 60 s in the valleys, coastal basins and mountains, 70 s in the high deserts, and 80 s in the low deserts. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 30 percent in the deserts, 25 to 40 percent in the mountains, 45 to 60 percent in the inland valleys, and above 60 percent near the coast. Winds will be southwest to west at 8 to 15 mph along the coast and 10 to 25 mph over the mountains and deserts.

A cool trough of low pressure moving through the Northern California Area will bring mostly sunny skies with low clouds and fog near the coast. High temperatures will be in the 60 s and 70 s. Minimum relative humidity will range from 20 to 28 percent inland and winds will be west to northwest at 5 to 15 mph in the afternoon.

A cold front moving across the Northwest Area will bring scattered to light showers west of the Cascade Mountains and snow above 5000 feet. High temperatures will be in the 50 s and 60 s. Minimum relative humidity will range from 30 to 50 percent east of the Cascade Mountains and above 50 percent to the west. Winds will be south to southwest at 10 to 20 mph ahead of the front, becoming west to northwest at 15 to 30 mph. Gusts to 40 mph are forecast in the Columbia River Basin and southeastern Oregon deserts.



AIRCRAFT AND PILOT CARDING

Every aircraft and pilot used in support of a Federal wildland fire mission must have a current Aircraft or pilot Card. The card must be held in the aircraft or with the pilot, and give specific authorization to do the mission being requested.

These missions could be all, one, or any number of, missions as follows:

- Air attack (Level I, Level II, Level III)
- Reconnaissance
- Fire surveillance
- Water bucket
- Helitorch
- Cargo
- Longline

Every pilot who flies a properly carded aircraft must possess a current Interagency Airplane or Helicopter Pilot Qualification Card that gives specific authorization to fly the type of mission being requested and for the specific type of aircraft being used for the mission. These missions could be all, or any number of, missions as follows:

- Air attack
- Reconnaissance
- Fire surveillance
- Low-level
- Paracargo
- Mountain/Remote airstrips
- Smokejumper
- Longline

Before the aircraft and pilot can be used for a specific mission, the aircraft must be specifically listed on a valid and current contract for the type of work being performed.

A copy of the contract must be onboard the aircraft.

Each user of the aircraft and pilot has the authorization to physically inspect the Aircraft Data Card, the Interagency Airplane or Helicopter Pilot Qualification Card, and the contract. If any one of these three are not available for inspection, the mission must be cancelled or at least postponed until the authorizations of the aircraft, pilot, or contract can be determined.

Pilots have very specific and closely monitored duty time and flight time limitations that users must understand and adhere to:

- 14-hour duty day
- 8 hours flight time per day
- 2 days off in 14 calendar days

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs	1				2		3
	ACRES	120				50		170
Northern California	FIREs				7			7
	ACRES				0			0
Southern California	FIREs				5	1		6
	ACRES				0	0		0
Northern Rockies	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Western Great Basin	FIREs	1						1
	ACRES	10						10
Southwest	FIREs					4		4
	ACRES					7		7
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1	2			2	2	7
	ACRES	0	0			0	1	1
Eastern Area	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIREs	1				3	1	5
	ACRES	8				66	5	79
TOTAL	FIREs	3	4	0	0	17	11	35
	ACRES	128	10	0	0	66	63	267

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	262	320	36	49	1,512	1,279	3,458
	ACRES	18,364	147,729	2,799	39	112,555	819,810	1,101,296
Northern California	FIREs	218	22	7	16	2,285	643	3,191
	ACRES	681	6,884	820	3,666	16,315	38,496	66,862
Southern California	FIREs	76	82	18	33	2,706	688	3,603
	ACRES	10,257	25,820	86	746	70,457	317,597	424,963
Northern Rockies	FIREs	941	51	32	46	565	919	2,554
	ACRES	13,899	10,537	2,178	9,153	31,287	84,008	151,062
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	69	574	8	42	550	981	2,224
	ACRES	5,326	120,993	408	33	69,771	148,617	345,148
Western Great Basin	FIREs	10	462	2	12	91	151	728
	ACRES	316	39,474	80	6	884	42,302	83,062
Southwest	FIREs	1,169	286	31	70	1,244	1,723	4,523
	ACRES	263,687	20,616	6,870	17,865	215,559	449,016	973,613
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	411	578	51	66	1,157	747	3,010
	ACRES	54,478	68,345	685	9,115	195,203	323,144	650,970
Eastern Area	FIREs	762		20	35	11,437	404	12,658
	ACRES	31,956		1,226	609	65,662	3,326	102,779
Southern Area	FIREs	104		190	45	29,611	823	30,773
	ACRES	17,195		147,132	6,665	290,789	26,169	487,950
TOTAL	FIREs	4,023	2,407	426	424	51,610	8,375	67,265
	ACRES	416,163	1,021,494	507,893	181,605	2,199,329	2,252,501	6,578,985

Ten Year Average Fires	69,870
Ten Year Average Acres	3,439,248

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		85					85
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		1		2	4
	ACRES		60		120		260	440
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		3					3
	ACRES		400					400
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		65					65
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						150	150
TOTAL	FIRES	3	2	0	1	0	3	9
	ACRES	400	210	0	120	0	410	1,140

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	116	31	10	6	265	450
	ACRES	6,145	25,574	2,698	254	292	40,948	75,911
Northern California	FIREs	7	14	12	11		93	137
	ACRES	163	1,269	22,224	231		14,821	38,708
Southern California	FIREs	1	2	6	8		97	114
	ACRES	70	24	286	818		17,226	18,424
Northern Rockies	FIREs	9	11	119	3	54	439	635
	ACRES	725	1,765	16,750	173	4,777	25,349	49,539
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	28	2	14	9	40	94
	ACRES	7	11,287	445	4,242	379	32,574	48,934
Western Great Basin	FIREs				1		5	6
	ACRES				2		172	174
Southwest	FIREs	14	14	10			162	200
	ACRES	1,940	17,260	4,722			16,237	40,159
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	8	18	123	8	21	28	206
	ACRES	516	3,714	17,736	2,290	2,170	11,287	37,713
Eastern Area	FIREs	21		257	8	495	150	931
	ACRES	8,709		42,818	437	62,116	21,227	135,307
Southern Area	FIREs	60		238	86	17,300	900	18,584
	ACRES	11,061		109,771	98,353	833,389	724,357	1,776,931
TOTAL	FIREs	143	203	799	149	17,885	2,179	21,358
	ACRES	29,336	60,893	218,535	106,800	903,123	904,198	2,222,885

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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				3,634		4,516	8,150
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	16
	ACRES		736				0	22,594
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	5,659	0	36,573	43,819

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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	17	21	24	67	4	10			429	182
Northern California	28	70	45	131	4	6	1		73	258
Southern California	49	17	107	77	23	3	3		157	206
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1		2	1	1					
Western Great Basin										
Southwest				1						12
Rocky Mountain	1		2	1	1					1
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	96	108	181	277	33	19	4	0	671	647

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