

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY JULY 3, 2003 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Northern California Area, Southern California Area, Northwest Area, and Northern Rockies Area. Initial attack activity was light elsewhere with 143 new fires reported. Three new large fires were reported, one each in the Eastern Great Basin, the Northern Rockies, and the Northern California Areas. Four large fires were contained, two in the Northern California Area, and one each in the Northwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming.

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES

DAVIS, Deschutes National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is 12 miles west of La Pine, OR. Active fire behavior was observed in the interior portions of the fire in lodge pole pine, Douglas fir, white fir and ponderosa pine. Crews are constructing fireline on the north and northwest flanks, and conducting burn out operations on the north side of Davis Butte.

FAWN PEAK/SWEET GRASS, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jennings) is assigned. There are three fires in the area, the Fawn Peak, Sweetgrass and Farewell. These lightning caused fires are burning in heavy timber and sub-alpine fir 13 miles north of Winthrop, WA. Direct attack is underway on the fawn Peak and Sweet Grass fire. Crews are mopping up hot spots. Road closures are in effect in the fire area.

SULPHUR CREEK, Western Lane District, Oregon Department of Forestry. This fire is in timber and grass five miles southeast of Mapleton, OR. Crews are constructing fireline and mopping up the perimeter.

NINE MILE, Northeast, Washington State Department of Forestry. This fire is burning five miles east of Oroville, WA. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
DAVIS	OR	DEF	18,000	50	7/5	978	27	51	4	0	1.9M
FAWN PEAK/ SWEET GRASS	WA	OWF	130	0	UNK	265	6	2	6	0	200K
SULPHUR CREEK	OR	78S	650	55	UNK	299	14	2	1	0	995K
NINE MILE	WA	NES	800	50	UNK	NR	4	15	1	0	200K
TIMBERLINE	WA	COA	168	100	---	104	2	0	2	0	NR

COA = Colville Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

ASPEN, Coronado National Forest. A transfer of command from Kvale's Type 2 Incident Management Team to Oltrogge's Type 1 Incident Management Team will occur today. This fire is in the Pusch Ridge Wilderness Area, 17 miles northeast of Tucson, AZ. Torching and short range spotting were observed in mixed conifer, ponderosa pine and brush. Extremely steep slopes, large rock outcrops and rugged ridgelines are hampering containment efforts on the southeast perimeter.

JENNY, Gila National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullenix) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is in mixed conifer, pinyon pine and oak, 45 miles northwest of Truth or Consequences, NM. Minimal fire behavior was observed with creeping and smoldering. Crews are completing fireline, and monitoring unlined portions of the fire.

DRY LAKE COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Duncan) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use complex, comprised of the Dry Lake, Sycamore, Moonshine, and Granny fires, is 27 miles northwest of Silver City, NM. The complex is being managed to accomplish multiple resource objectives. Increased fire behavior throughout the complex was observed in stands of mixed conifer, pinyon pine, juniper, ponderosa pine and grass due to lower relative humidity. Crews continue to patrol and monitor the fires. Smokejumpers and rapellers continue to check the spread of the Moonshine fire on the western flank.

POWELL, Grand Canyon National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is burning in ponderosa pine, grass, gambel oak and manzanita, 23 miles northwest of Grand Canyon Village, AZ. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Decreased fire spread was observed in the southern portions of the Powell Plateau.

SECO, Gila National Forest. This fire is in the Aldo Leopold Wilderness Area, 15 miles southwest of Winston, NM. The fire is being managed with a confine/contain strategy. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ASPEN	AZ	CNF	44,500	60	UNK	395	5	13	7	323	8.8M
JENNY	NM	GNF	6,520	90	7/3	207	5	4	2	0	1.8M
DRY LAKE COMPLEX	NM	GNF	46,450	0	UNK	82	6	0	2	0	1.4M
POWELL	AZ	GCP	3,060	0	UNK	32	0	0	1	0	337K
SECO	NM	GNF	5,300	25	UNK	227	5	0	3	0	753K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES

BLACKROCK, Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is burning in grass and sage brush, six miles southeast of Pocatello. Short range spotting and running fire was observed in grass. Crews are burning out from existing roads and dozer lines.

APEX, Southwest State, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This fire is in brush, pinyon pine and juniper 12 miles west of St. George, UT. Erratic winds caused significant runs and long range spotting on the northwest flank. Crews are holding along the south and east flanks, and preparing for burnout operations on the northwest flank.

WOODENSHOE, Manti-LaSal National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Bonefeld) is assigned. This fire is in the Dark Canyon Wilderness Area, 25 miles west of Blanding, UT. The fire is being managed with a confine/contain strategy. Occasional torching with short runs and spotting in mixed conifer was observed. Crews are monitoring and confining the fire to the wilderness area.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BLACKROCK	ID	IFD	2,100	15	7/4	124	2	13	2	0	NR
APEX	UT	SWS	31,000	35	7/7	466	12	26	5	1	1.5M
WOODENSHOE	UT	MLF	1,000	5	7/7	42	1	1	1	0	40K
FIN CANYON	UT	SES	100	100	---	83	4	1	1	0	NR

SES = Southeast State, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

A-3, Lassen-Modoc Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This wind driven fire is in grass and brush, three miles east of Janesville, CA. Very active fire behavior was observed. Twenty residences and forty outbuildings are threatened and structure protection is in place. One residence and one outbuilding are confirmed lost. Crews are constructing fireline.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
A-3	CA	LMU	400	40	7/3	260	9	17	3	6	NR
FORTY	CA	LNU	300	100	---	36	2	0	0	0	50K
FRIDAY	CA	SRF	389	100	---	409	10	16	1	0	1.1M

LNU = Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

SRF = Six Rivers National Forest

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES

DIXON COMPLEX, Flathead Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Chrisman) is assigned. This complex of fires, burning 28 miles southwest of Ronan, MT, consists of the Magpie, Selow 1, Racehorse, Wilcox, Revais and Selow 2 fires. Moderate fire behavior was observed with backing fire and some torching.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
DIXON COMPLEX	MT	FHA	470	60	7/5	276	6	26	2	0	150K

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA

YANKEE GULCH, Western Slope Center, Bureau of Land Management. A Fire Use Management Team (Rogers) is assigned. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is burning in pinyon pine, juniper and sage, 35 miles southwest of Meeker, CO. The fire is being managed to accomplish multiple resource objectives. Group torching and short crown runs were observed. Continued monitoring of fire size and behavior is planned.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
YANKEE GULCH	CO	CRD	200	NR	UNK	NR	0	0	0	0	12K

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: High pressure remains centered over the Southwest with a generally dry flow across most of the West. Showers are expected from the Dakotas through New England and along the Gulf and southern Atlantic coast states. A weather system moving through Alaska will bring showers to much of the area.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Hot and dry region wide, except slight chance of dry afternoon thunderstorms in extreme northeast Idaho.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton 60 to 80 mountains, 70 to 94 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 73 to 95 mountains, 90 to 103 valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton, northern half Utah 11 to 41% mountains, 4 to 14% valleys. Southern half Utah and Arizona Strip 3 to 11%	Idaho, Bridger-Teton, northern half Utah northwest to west winds 5 to 25 mph. Southern half of Utah, and the Arizona Strip southwest winds 15 to 20 mph.
WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA A trough of low pressure is moving through the northwestern states, bringing breezy southwest to west winds to western Nevada. Mostly sunny skies.	Low 80s to mid 90s in the lower elevations, mid 70s to upper 80s in upper elevations, with a maximum of 104 in the southern deserts.	6 to 15% at lower elevations, 10 to 20% in upper elevations and 15 to 28% in the Sierras.	Breezy with the western 1/3 of the state seeing southwest to west winds of 10 to 25 mph in the afternoon.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Clear except for night and morning fog and low clouds along the coast and in the coastal valleys.	60s near the coast. Inland, 70s and 80s higher elevations and upper 80s to upper 90s lower elevations.	7 to 14% east of the Sierra Cascade Crest and 12 to 24% west of the crest.	Southwest to southeast 8 to 18 mph in the afternoon with gusts 25 to 30 mph along and east of the Sierra Cascade Crest.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Mostly Sunny with isolated thunderstorms over the plains of South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. Dry elsewhere.	Hot with temperatures in the upper 80s to upper 90s, 70 to 80 mountains.	Less than 15%, except for 30 to 40% over the plains of South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.	West to northwest winds 10 to 25 mph across South Dakota and Wyoming. South 10 to 20 mph Nebraska and Kansas. Variable winds 5 to 15 mph elsewhere.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Patchy morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise mostly sunny.	80 to 100 mountains. 95 to 105 valleys. 95 to 105 upper desert. 105 to 115 low desert.	5 to 15% deserts. 5 to 15% mountains. 10 to 20% valleys.	Southwest to northwest winds 5 to 15 mph.
SOUTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny and dry most of Arizona and west Texas. Isolated dry thunderstorms western New Mexico and southeast Arizona. Partly cloudy with isolated wet thunderstorms higher elevations central New Mexico.	80s mountains, 98 to near 110 lower elevations.	5-15% Arizona and western New Mexico, 15-20% central New Mexico, and 20% or more far eastern New Mexico and west Texas.	Southwest to northwest winds 5 to 15 mph eastern Arizona, and New Mexico. West to northwest 10 to 20 mph gusting to 25 mph western Arizona. South to southeast winds 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 25 west Texas.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA Mostly Sunny. Isolated thunderstorms over southern portions of southwest Montana.	Idaho 70 to 85. Western Montana: 70 to 85.	Idaho 20 to 25%. Western Montana: 20 to 30%.	Idaho west winds 5 to 10 mph. Western Montana: west to southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.
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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			0		1
	ACRES		100			29,079		29,179
Northwest	FIRES	2				18	0	20
	ACRES	0				1,257	2,000	3,257
Northern California	FIRES	2				12	4	18
	ACRES	1				502	2	505
Southern California	FIRES	1	1			19	3	24
	ACRES	27	268			82	194	571
Northern Rockies	FIRES	8	4	2		4	7	25
	ACRES	247	4	60		2	2	315
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			6	2	9
	ACRES		4,500			65	75	4,640
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		1			1		2
Southwest	FIRES	5				2	3	10
	ACRES	1				0	1	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			2	1	4
	ACRES		1			17	1	19
Eastern Area	FIRES					28		28
	ACRES					7		7
Southern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					2		2
TOTAL	FIRES	18	9	2	0	94	20	143
	ACRES	276	4,874	60	0	31,014	2,275	38,499

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	14	16	10	316	7	365
	ACRES	20	1,418	63,144	3,517	192,119	0	260,218
Northwest	FIRES	45	47	4	11	391	157	655
	ACRES	2,916	218	1,001	11	2,306	18,220	24,672
Northern California	FIRES	48	7	1	5	697	152	910
	ACRES	24	0	1	6,510	9,777	619	16,931
Southern California	FIRES	26	57	5	4	876	200	1,168
	ACRES	757	1,638	355	2	7,350	739	10,841
Northern Rockies	FIRES	485	11	19	2	190	120	827
	ACRES	3,471	20	1,051	0	16,401	1,474	22,417
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	14	193		5	164	182	558
	ACRES	15,260	23,863		0	2,973	1,154	43,250
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	140	1	2	26	25	197
	ACRES	0	1,598	0	0	508	614	2,720
Southwest	FIRES	396	89	12	9	545	669	1,720
	ACRES	2,147	3,402	1,288	3,391	12,654	82,124	105,006
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	52	267	22	17	438	128	924
	ACRES	161	149	1,584	202	3,384	595	6,075
Eastern Area	FIRES	905		65	16	8,170	396	9,552
	ACRES	52,186		6,591	685	107,370	5,498	172,330
Southern Area	FIRES	105		14	11	10,355	310	10,795
	ACRES	20,514		3,719	756	151,546	8,768	185,303
TOTAL	FIRES	2,081	825	159	92	22,168	2,346	27,671
	ACRES	97,456	32,306	78,734	15,074	506,388	119,805	849,763

Ten Year Average Fires	43,142
Ten Year Average Acres	1,402,050

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			6				6
	ACRES			144				144
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	6	0	0	0	6
	ACRES	0	0	144	0	0	0	144

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	28	90	146	5		217	486
	ACRES	5,351	10,896	4,675	88		28,180	49,190
Northern California	FIRES	2	11	100	16		127	256
	ACRES	31	273	16,018	2,193		9,712	28,227
Southern California	FIRES		2	3	5		89	99
	ACRES		27	621	2,962		13,641	17,251
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	11	68	4	23	314	432
	ACRES	502	3,808	9,189	760	1,750	15,011	31,020
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	17	3		9	24	54
	ACRES	18	3,791	300		910	6,200	11,219
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1		2		1	4
	ACRES		100		320		230	650
Southwest	FIRES	12	32	19	4	3	226	296
	ACRES	3,332	25,321	39,373	4,877	12	43,128	116,043
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26	14	82	9	10	73	214
	ACRES	1,718	1,336	12,405	9,542	132	5,683	30,816
Eastern Area	FIRES	23		310	16	443	194	986
	ACRES	10,562		56,064	1,823	78,470	26,708	173,627
Southern Area	FIRES	53		254	64	11,457	1,143	12,971
	ACRES	19,379		90,182	81,278	715,304	881,098	1,787,241
TOTAL	FIRES	157	178	985	125	11,951	2,408	15,804
	ACRES	40,893	45,552	228,827	103,843	798,133	1,029,591	2,246,839

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				0		0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				1			1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1		9	10
	ACRES				750		80,723	81,473
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		15		2		1	18
	ACRES		247		0		1	248
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				830			830
TOTAL	FIRES	0	15	0	8	0	17	40
	ACRES	0	247	0	1,581	0	80,725	82,553

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	23	195	511	3,973
Yukon Territory	2	0	48	3,715
Alberta	4	0	497	2,455
Northwest Territory	2	27	54	3,879
Saskatchewan	3	1	252	38,833
Manitoba	5	1,200	664	202,318
Ontario	2	0	614	247,375
Quebec	7	0	478	50,156
Newfoundland	3	0	100	1,148
New Brunswick	4	3	143	177
Nova Scotia	2	0	201	1,261
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	6	343
Total	57	954	3,568	555,634

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	1	4								
Northwest	20	44	10	72	4	13			255	207
Northern California	20	13	30	32	4	1			44	46
Southern California	2	4	1	12	2					15
Northern Rockies	22	2	46	10	3	3			14	11
Eastern Great Basin	18	6	52	17	12	1			114	3
Western Great Basin	9		1		3	1			18	
Southwest	15	1	4	13	9	3			169	120
Rocky Mountain			6	3					9	2
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	107	74	150	159	37	22	0	0	623	404

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