

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2003 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationwide with 75 new fires reported. No new large fires were reported. One large fire was contained in the Northern Rockies Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Wyoming.

The National Park Service All Risk Management Team (Swed) is assigned in Charlotte, NC and will be assessing hurricane damage and support needs for National Parks in North Carolina and Virginia.

Hurricane Isabel, North Carolina. Three Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Wathen/Pearson, Custer, Collins/Col Holt/Hendricks) are assigned. The Governor of North Carolina has declared a State of Emergency for 12 counties. Federal Disaster Declaration was made on 9/18. Through Unified Command, personnel are providing logistical, operational, planning and resource support.

Hurricane Isabel, Virginia. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Ferguson) is being assigned to provide logistical, operational, planning and resource support. The team will be in place at 1200 today at Ft. A.P. Hill in Virginia.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
FT BRAGG FEMA SUPPORT	NC	NCC				37	1	0	0	NR	60K
HURRICANE ISABEL	NC	NCC				151	4			NR	15.1M
ISABEL	NC	NCC				481	0	0	0	5	NR

NCC = North Carolina Interagency Coordination Center

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

LOMA, Shasta-Trinity National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Szczepanik) is assigned. This fire is in timber, 21 miles west of Weaverville, CA. Burnout operations took place on the north flank. Highway 299 is intermittently closed due to rolling material and debris. Structure protection is in place for four residences.

GRINDSTONE COMPLEX, Mendocino National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dietrich) is assigned. This complex, comprised of 39 fires, is in chaparral and mixed conifer, 30 miles west of Willows, CA. The Deafy fire is the only active fire in the complex. Heavy downed fuels continued to burn actively.

CANOE / HONEYDEW, Humboldt-Del Norte Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDF). A CDF Type 1 Incident Command Team (Hawkins) is assigned. The fires, located 16 miles north of Garberville, CA, are burning in old growth redwoods, brush and logging slash. The Honeydew fire moved both south and north at a moderate rate of spread. The Canoe fire continued to grow slowly. Structure protection is in place for 450 residences and 20 commercial properties.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
LOMA	CA	SHF	2,600	40	9/21	1,005	33	24	7	0	NR
GRINDSTONE COMPLEX	CA	MNF	7,926	72	9/24	819	22	48	4	0	15.1M
CANOE / HONEYDEW	CA	HUU	9,747	20	9/28	753	41	24	14	0	9.2M

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

NEEDLE, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. This fire is in timber, 12 miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Fire behavior included torching and short range spotting.

B&B COMPLEX, Deschutes National Forest. A transfer of command from both Martin's Type 1 Incident Management Team and Gardner's Type 2 Incident Management Team (which is assigned to the portion of the Booth fire that is west of the Cascade Divide) to Hoff's Type 2 Incident Management Team will occur today. This complex, comprised of the Booth and Bear Butte fires, is in timber with heavy ground fuels, and is 14 miles west of Sisters, OR. Fires within the complex continued to smolder and creep.

ISABEL, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Jennings) is assigned. This fire is ten miles northwest of Conconully, WA. Burn out operations occurred with some single and group torching was observed. There was moderate fire activity in the Peak Creek drainage and low fire activity elsewhere.

MAPLE, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. This fire is in timber, 30 miles north-northwest of Leavenworth, WA. The fire continued to smolder with some burning in patches of heavy fuels within the perimeter.

MOUNT RAINIER COMPLEX, Mount Rainer National Park. This complex, comprised of the Panther, Redstone and Chenuis fires, is in heavy timber with heavy downed fuels, 13 miles northeast of Packwood, WA. 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
NEEDLE	WA	OWF	17,300	73	UNK	244	4	0	6	1	6.5M
B&B COMPLEX	OR	DEF	90,769	95	UNK	801	10	19	5	13	35.5M
ISABEL	WA	OWF	870	15	UNK	184	5	1	2	0	1.4M
MAPLE	WA	OWF	1,633	70	10/1	52	1	1	1	0	2.4M
MOUNT RAINIER COMPLEX	WA	MRP	374	15	10/31	5	0	0	0	0	1.7M

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLACKFOOT LAKE COMPLEX, Flathead National Forest. A transfer of command from Bennett's Type 1 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization will occur on Sunday, 9/21. This incident, comprised of the Beta Lake, Doris Mountain, Ball Creek, Wounded Buck, Doe, Wildcat, Upper Lid, Dead Buck and Blackfoot Lake fires, is in timber, 19 miles east of Kalispell, MT. There were occasional smokes in the interior of the fire.

MINERAL-PRIMM, Lolo National Forest. This incident, comprised of the Mineral-Primm, Stewart Peak, Upper Rattlesnake, and Boles Meadows fires, is in timber, 19 miles northeast of Missoula, MT. No fire behavior was observed.

LINCOLN COMPLEX, Helena National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Moose-Wasson and Snow-Talon fires, is ten miles west of Lincoln, MT.

FISH CREEK COMPLEX, Lolo National Forest. This incident, comprised of the Fish Creek, Thompson Creek, Surveyor Creek, Lower Quartz, Siamese Lake, Indian Creek, Middle Fork Indian Creek, Cedar Log and West Fork Indian Creek fires, is 35 miles west of Missoula, MT. No new information was reported.

TRAPPER CREEK COMPLEX, Glacier National Park. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sandman) is assigned. This complex, which includes the Middle Fork, Rampage and Trapper Creek Complexes, is in mixed conifer with heavy dead and downed fuels, 45 miles northeast of Kalispell, MT. No new information was reported.

ROBERT, Flathead National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sandman) is assigned. This fire is in timber, eight miles north of Columbia Falls, MT. 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
BLACKFOOT LAKE COMPLEX	MT	FNF	29,836	85	9/30	329	4	6	0	0	19.8M
MINERAL-PRIMM	MT	LNF	25,202	78	9/20	129	0	0	1	0	22.9
LINCOLN COMPLEX	MT	HNF	39,707	80	10/1	20	0	0	0	1	16.4M
FISH CREEK COMPLEX	MT	LNF	39,956	75	9/28	33	1	3	0	0	24.5M
TRAPPER CREEK COMPLEX	MT	GNP	70,406	40	10/1	0	0	0	0	1	4.1M
ROBERT	MT	FNF	57,570	70	10/1	401	4	14	2	3	30.7M
FIDDLE	ID	NPF	708	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	560K

NPF = Nez Perce National Forest

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

KAWEAH-KERN COMPLEX, Sequoia Kings Canyon National Parks. A Fire Use Management Team (Bonefeld) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This complex is comprised of 14 fires in the area of Grant Grove, CA, 50 miles east of Fresno, CA. The fire is in mixed conifer, sequoia, and mountain chaparral. There was increased activity on the Williams and West Kern fires with torching, spotting and short runs observed. Other fires showed minimal activity. Structure protection is in place for three commercial properties.

MUD COMPLEX, Stanislaus National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This complex is in timber, five miles southeast of Bear Valley, CA. Low intensity fire behavior with single tree torching occurred.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
KAWEAH-KERN COMPLEX – WFU	CA	KNP	3,000	N/A	N/A	71	1	1	2	0	125K
MUD COMPLEX – WFU	CA	STF	3,786	N/A	N/A	111	3	0	2	0	230K
DEXTER – WFU	CA	INF	1,940	N/A	N/A	28	1	1	2	0	300K
MOUNTAIN COMPLEX – WFU	CA	STF	2,290	N/A	N/A	17	1	0	0	0	152K
SUMMITT COMPLEX	CA	INF	975	N/A	N/A	9	1	0	0	0	NR

INF = Inyo National Forest

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES

SOUTH SAGE, Ely Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is in timber and hardwood slash, 10 miles east of Ely, NV. Fire activity was minimal. The Success Loop Road was reopened.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SOUTH SAGE	NV	ELD	330	95	UNK	179	5	7	3	4	334K

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Winds will increase in northern California and southern Oregon, shifting to a more offshore direction. This will be the result of high pressure building into the west from off the California coast. The wind shift will lead to warmer temperatures and lower humidity values, even overnight. In the east, conditions will begin to dry out in the wake of Isabel.

Red Flag Warnings: For low humidity and light to moderate north to east winds for the Monterey, Eureka and Sacramento areas through Sunday.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Area Areas of morning low clouds and fog in the coastal areas, otherwise sunny.	70 to 85 coastal areas. 75 to 95 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 90 to 100 upper desert. 100 to 110 low desert.	8 to 15% desert. 10 to 20% mountains. 15 to 30% valleys. 30 to 50 coast.	Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph, except southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph coastal areas.
Northern California Area Sunny. Some morning fog and low clouds along the coast.	Warmest inland areas 80s and 90s, mid 60s and 70s near the coast.	8 to 18% driest areas in the afternoon, areas of poor nighttime recovery	Southeast to southwest less than 6 mph early, becoming northwest to northeast 5 to 12 mph in the afternoon.
Northern Rockies Area Partly cloudy. Mostly cloudy with isolated showers east of the Divide:	55 to 75	25 to 35%	West of the Divide: diurnal winds East of the Divide: northwest to north 10 to 20 mph
Northwest Area Clearing west side. Sunny and dry east side.	Warmer. 60s and 70s western Washington ranging to the 80s in southwest Oregon. Eastside generally 60s and 70s.	Westside generally 15 to 25% southwest Oregon ranging up 40 to 60% western Washington. Mostly 25-40% eastern Washington and 15 to 30% eastern Oregon.	Generally less than 10 mph east of the Cascades and in western Washington. Northeast wind 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 25 mph likely in southwest Oregon.



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Scenarios:

[Scenario 1](#)

EXTENDED ATTACK

After your initial sizeup of the fire and/or transfer of command from an initial attack IC, answer the following questions. Repeat this analysis whenever there is a change, or predicted change, in fire conditions.

- Do you have a current fire weather forecast for the fire location?
- Is the observed fire weather consistent with the forecast?
- Have you established a new organizational structure and communicated it to the other forces associated with the fire?
- Can you control the fire with the resources available (either on the incident or soon to be on the incident) under expected conditions?
- Have you developed a plan to attack the fire?
 - Direct or indirect
 - Anchor points
 - Escape routes
 - Head or flank attack
 - Priority areas
- Have you communicated this to all personnel assigned to the incident, including new arrivals?
- Can you see all of the fire area?
- Can you communicate with everyone on the fire and with dispatch?
- Are escape routes established?
 - If you are using the black, is it completely burned and without a reburn potential?
- Are safety and the standard fire orders being followed?
- Will you contain the fire before the next operational period?
- Have you reported the status of the fire to dispatch?
- Do you have a complete list of what resources have been ordered for the fire?

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					24	1	25
	ACRES					39	260	299
Southern California	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					4	0	4
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				1	2	6
	ACRES	0				0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			1	2	4
	ACRES		29			53	1	83
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern Area	FIRES					28		28
	ACRES					28		28
TOTAL	FIRES	3	1	0	0	63	8	75
	ACRES	0	29	0	0	124	261	414

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	14	21	10	391	14	451
	ACRES	20	40,271	283,056	3,712	248,107	2	575,168
Northwest	FIRES	290	234	11	55	1,721	1,209	3,520
	ACRES	20,246	17,935	12	3,081	48,813	292,943	383,030
Northern California	FIRES	140	69	7	17	2,553	1,156	3,942
	ACRES	225	11,583	2	6,562	49,412	25,434	93,218
Southern California	FIRES	64	132	10	73	2,450	817	3,546
	ACRES	854	2,875	360	341	35,994	7,217	47,641
Northern Rockies	FIRES	977	61	33	84	947	1,482	3,584
	ACRES	77,621	107,435	23,265	166,669	156,080	364,101	895,171
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	58	806	6	45	632	944	2,491
	ACRES	19,423	133,814	1,242	2,634	47,269	137,099	341,481
Western Great Basin	FIRES	7	428	1	11	112	167	726
	ACRES	1	11,096	79	6	1,941	3,206	16,329
Southwest	FIRES	792	186	5	70	878	2,060	3,991
	ACRES	36,582	5,893	284	3,553	16,172	202,997	265,481
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	182	775	39	47	966	694	2,703
	ACRES	17,414	16,917	1,963	783	16,928	53,057	107,062
Eastern Area	FIRES	908		66	35	9,797	485	11,291
	ACRES	52,188		6,890	706	110,368	5,582	175,734
Southern Area	FIRES	147		46	12	11,630	330	12,165
	ACRES	21,739		12,130	764	186,098	8,832	229,563
TOTAL	FIRES	3,566	2,705	245	459	32,077	9,358	48,410
	ACRES	246,313	347,819	329,283	188,811	917,182	1,100,470	3,129,878

Ten Year Average Fires	67,129
Ten Year Average Acres	3,895,509

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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			1				1
	ACRES			814				814
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		1,000					1,000
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		175					175
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	1,175	814	0	0	0	1,989

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	92	18	3		217	358
	ACRES	5,351	10,907	4,787	123		29,008	50,176
Northern California	FIRES	2	7	112	16		127	264
	ACRES	31	267	21,146	2,193		9,712	33,349
Southern California	FIRES		2	4	7		170	183
	ACRES		27	621	3,275		13,675	17,598
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	9	71	4	23	316	435
	ACRES	502	3,808	10,388	760	1,750	15,035	32,243
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	26	3		10	24	64
	ACRES	18	19,250	300		1,510	8,000	29,078
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6		3		1	10
	ACRES		420		2,084		230	2,734
Southwest	FIRES	13	34	19	8	3	251	328
	ACRES	3,333	26,896	39,373	7,383	12	45,331	122,328
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	20	90	9	11	75	233
	ACRES	1,730	3,374	12,778	9,542	164	5,883	33,471
Eastern Area	FIRES	23		315	16	493	204	1,051
	ACRES	10,562		56,669	1,823	80,648	26,936	176,638
Southern Area	FIRES	53		270	71	14,130	1,210	15,734
	ACRES	19,379		95,845	83,789	779,616	933,454	1,912,083
TOTAL	FIRES	160	196	902	137	14,676	2,595	18,666
	ACRES	40,906	64,949	241,907	110,972	865,255	1,087,264	2,411,253

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			42,800				42,800
Northwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						251	251
Northern California	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						1	1
Southern California	FIRES	2			52		55	109
	ACRES	0			5,088		9,221	14,309
Northern Rockies	FIRES				3		70	73
	ACRES				602		54,652	55,254
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				6		29	35
	ACRES				435		14,787	15,222
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				8		19	27
	ACRES				3,555		159,608	163,163
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		26		2		3	31
	ACRES		1,646		0		1,869	3,515
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				10			10
	ACRES				2,715			2,715
TOTAL	FIRES	2	32	1	81	0	183	299
	ACRES	0	1,648	42,800	12,395	0	240,389	297,232

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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	19	8	17	21	9	10			429	185
Northern California	51	50	83	28	8	18			233	222
Southern California	13	1	6		11	2			93	1
Northern Rockies	5	1	3	27		1			187	125
Eastern Great Basin	3	1	8		1					
Western Great Basin	3	2	3	4	3	1			52	
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain				1					3	3
Eastern Area									6	
Southern Area										
Total	94	63	120	81	32	32	0	0	1003	536

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