

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 25, 2004 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 86 new fires reported. Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest and Rocky Mountain Areas. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Northwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, California, Montana, Nevada, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

Hurricane Charley, Florida. A Presidential Disaster Declaration was issued on 8/13. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Ferguson) is assigned to provide logistical and resource support. The team will work jointly with the General Services Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, the U.S. Army and Air Force, Army Corps of Engineers, Florida Division of Forestry, Florida State Emergency Response Team, Florida National Guard, Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Lakeland Airport Authority, the Salvation Army and state and local law enforcement agencies. A National Park Service All-Risk Incident Management Team (Panko) is assigned to conduct cleanup, stabilization and storm repair at Dry Tortugas National Park. Four Florida State Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Beauchamp, Jones, Crow and Koehler) are assigned in Charlotte, Hardee and DeSoto Counties, and the city of Lakeland. The Teams are managing supply distribution centers, disaster recovery and two 300 person camps.

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX, Alaska Division of Forestry, Tok Area. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jandt) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Chicken and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. Erratic winds continued on the Gardiner Creek fire resulting in increased fire activity. Ground fire and torching were observed on the other fires in the complex.

CENTRAL COMPLEX, Bureau of Land Management, Upper Yukon Zone. A transfer of command from a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) to a Type 3 organization will occur today. This complex, comprised of the Crazy, Bolgen Creek, Rock Creek, Preacher Creek, Middle Birch, Big Bluff and Takoma Bluff fires, is surrounding Central, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Fire activity was minimal due to light wind and higher relative humidity levels.

CAMP CREEK, Alaska Division of Forestry, Delta Area. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Blume) is assigned. This previously reported fire, which began on 6/23, is 35 miles northeast of Delta Junction, AK in black spruce. Increased winds resulted in running and crowning fire behavior.

GLACIER CREEK, Alaska Division of Forestry, Kenai-Kodiak Area. This fire is 31 miles southeast of Soldotna, AK in timber. Low fuel moisture contributed to very active fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX	AK	TAS	1,239,857	2	UNK	351	10	10	7	6	11.2M
CENTRAL COMPLEX	AK	UYD	452,100	20	UNK	465	11	7	6	15	8.3M
CAMP CREEK	AK	DAS	161,253	40	9/30	133	5	2	1	3	3.5M
GLACIER CREEK	AK	KKS	3,000	NR	UNK	15	0	0	0	0	NR

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLAND MOUNTAIN #2, Oregon Department of Forestry. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Mair) is assigned. This fire is located ten miles east of Canyonville, OR in timber and grass. Minimal fire activity was observed due to precipitation and high relative humidity levels.

FISCHER, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. This fire is four miles southeast of Leavenworth, WA in grass, brush and timber. Fire activity was minimal.

WILLIAMS BUTTE COMPLEX, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This complex, consisting of the Williams Butte, and Crescent Lake fires, is located 15 miles southwest of Winthrop, WA in timber. The Freezeout and Freezeout 2 fires and the Devil s Creek and Jacks Wildland Fire Use incidents are also now part of this complex and in monitor status. Minimal fire activity with single tree torching was reported.

POT PEAK/SISI RIDGE COMPLEX, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Washington State Interagency Incident Management Team (Jennings/Perry) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Pot Peak, SiSi Ridge and Deep Harbor fires, is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber. Smoldering fire activity was observed due to widespread precipitation.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BLAND MOUNTAIN #2	OR	ORS	4,677	70	UNK	1,592	59	54	11	5	3.0M
FISCHER	WA	OWF	16,439	95	UNK	875	16	39	3	1	13.5M
WILLIAMS BUTTE COMPLEX	WA	OWF	2,088	50	UNK	392	16	0	5	0	6.6M
POT PEAK/SISI RIDGE COMPLEX	WA	OWF	47,470	85	UNK	317	6	14	6	3	NR
DIRTY FACE PEAK	WA	OWF	295	100	---	30	1	0	0	0	790K

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

PLUM CREEK, Weston County, Wyoming. This fire is located eight miles northwest of Newcastle, WY in grass, and timber. Extreme fire behavior was observed with short range spotting. High winds and difficult access have hampered suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PLUM CREEK	WY	WEX	300	70	8/26	55	2	4	1	0	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BIG HORN, Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office. This fire is 15 miles northeast of Glendale, NV in grass, brush, juniper and pinyon pine. Smoldering fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BIG HORN	NV	ELD	1,552	80	8/25	32	1	0	1	0	100K

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

WILDSTEER, Kaibab National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 10 miles south of Williams, AZ in timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Minimal fire activity was reported.

TRANSFER, Kaibab National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, which began on July 18, located five miles east of Tusayan, AZ in grass and timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Fire activity was minimal. 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
WILDSTEER-WFU	AZ	KNF	219	N/A	N/A	6	0	1	0	0	3K
TRANSFER -WFU	AZ	KNF	1,050	N/A	N/A	5	0	2	0	0	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ROCK HOUSE	UT	CCD	500	100	---	34	2	1	1	0	NR

CCD = Cedar City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warning: For strong northeast winds through Wednesday in portions of the northern, central, and eastern interior of Alaska.

Weather Discussion: A storm system will spread showers across the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies. Gusty winds are expected from the Sierra across the Great Basin into the Rocky Mountains. In Alaska, strong winds are once again expected across the interior due to a dry cold front moving through the region.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
NORTHWEST AREA Rain increasing from the west side and spreading to the east side. Showers following in the afternoon with a few wet thundershowers possible over eastern Washington.	West of the Cascades: 50s and 60s. East of the Cascades: Upper 40s and 50s higher terrain, 60s valleys.	West of Cascades: 65% or greater. East of the Cascades: 40 to 50% but locally near 30% in South Central and Southeast Oregon.	West of the Cascades: Southwest to west 10 to 15 mph except stronger near the Cascade Crest. East of the Cascades: Southwest 10 to 20 mph. Shitting to west with gusts to 25 mph east slopes.
ALASKA AREA Northwest and Yukon Flats of the Northern Interior Partly cloudy and windy	Northwest and Yukon Flats of the Northern Interior 55 to 65	Northwest and Yukon Flats of the Northern Interior 32 to 42%.	Northwest and Yukon Flats of the Northern Interior Northeast 15 to 25 mph.
WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Partly sunny and windy.	78 to 95 valleys. 65 to 80 mountains.	18 to 28% north valleys. 10 to 20% south valleys. 15 to 35% mountains.	North: Southwest to west 15 to 30 mph with gusts 40 to 45 mph. South: South to southwest 10 to 20 mph.
EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly cloudy, cool, and breezy with scattered to numerous showers or thunderstorms. Utah, Arizona Strip: Partly cloudy and breezy northwest Utah with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny to partly cloudy and windy elsewhere with isolated mountain thunderstorms.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 49 to 62 mountains. 63 to 74 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 61 to 82 northwest Utah, 68 to 97 elsewhere, except 97 to 104 Lake Mead area.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 34 to 72% mountains. 24 to 56% valleys. Utah, Arizona Strip: 10 to 28% valleys. 18 to 37% mountains.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Northwest 10 to 16 mph western Idaho. Southwest 10 to 25 mph eastern Idaho and Bridger-Teton. Utah, Arizona Strip: Southwest 10 to 25 mph with gusts over 35 mph.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise sunny.	65 to 75 coastal areas. 70 to 85 mountains. 80 to 90 valleys. 85 to 95 upper deserts. 95 to 105 lower deserts.	30 to 45% valleys. 15 to 30% mountains. 10 to 20% deserts.	Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Partly to mostly cloudy. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms in the far north.	Upper 50s and 60s higher elevations 70s to mid 80s lower elevations.	28 to 40% driest areas.	Westerly 5 to 15 mph with gusts 25 to 35 mph over the higher elevations, especially in the northern and eastern areas.
NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA West of Continental Divide: Rain showers likely. East of Continental Divide: Scattered thunderstorms.	West of Continental Divide: 55 to 65. East of Continental Divide: 60s north. 70s south. North Dakota 70s west 73 to 83 east.	West of Continental Divide: 45 to 55%. 45 to 60% Idaho. East of Continental Divide: 40 to 50% north. 30 to 40% south. 40 to 55% North Dakota.	West of Continental Divide: Southwest 10 to 15 mph. East of Continental Divide: Southwest 15 to 25 mph, gusts to 35 mph north. West 5 to 15 mph south. South 10 to 20 mph North Dakota.



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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0		4		4
	ACRES		2,251	1,394		34,334		37,979
Northwest	FIRES	3	1			3		7
	ACRES	8	16			0		24
Northern California	FIRES	2	0			6	1	9
	ACRES	1	7,153			2	0	7,156
Southern California	FIRES		1		1	7	3	12
	ACRES		0		0	20	1,670	1,690
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	3	5
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		1				0	1
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1				2
	ACRES		0	0				0
Southwest	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				1		2	3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	2		1	3	8	20
	ACRES	2	2		0	0	3	7
Eastern Area	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					2		2
Southern Area	FIRES					13	3	16
	ACRES					12	3	15
TOTAL	FIRES	11	6	1	3	42	23	86
	ACRES	11	9,423	1,394	1	34,370	1,678	46,877

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	6	58	71	18	455	21	629
	ACRES	6,065	1,117,500	1,431,302	29,121	2,879,793	5	5,463,786
Northwest	FIRES	325	291	40	60	1,497	1,213	3,426
	ACRES	22,653	2,751	881	258	13,977	57,664	98,184
Northern California	FIRES	106	85	10	31	2,082	860	3,174
	ACRES	142	8,894	7	472	37,664	9,612	56,791
Southern California	FIRES	36	90	19	45	2,405	649	3,244
	ACRES	668	5,889	1,866	29	61,754	8,015	78,221
Northern Rockies	FIRES	921	69	19	13	745	784	2,551
	ACRES	5,162	1,449	1,062	3	15,151	7,261	30,088
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	51	741	6	44	449	742	2,033
	ACRES	455	33,107	11	57	7,342	47,268	88,240
Western Great Basin	FIRES	15	589	11	17	94	139	865
	ACRES	315	19,216	2,664	50	7,856	8,109	38,210
Southwest	FIRES	666	135	5	75	641	1,506	3,028
	ACRES	5,175	4,975	201	515	6,925	281,749	299,540
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	324	447	34	44	394	411	1,654
	ACRES	4,029	9,067	1,272	37	21,403	4,477	40,285
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		47	29	7,332	451	8,348
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	109	56,849	5,622	70,009
Southern Area	FIRES	130		59	42	24,662	579	25,472
	ACRES	15,806		13,712	1,067	314,581	73,315	418,481
TOTAL	FIRES	3,069	2,505	321	418	40,756	7,355	54,424
	ACRES	65,564	1,202,848	1,455,313	31,718	3,423,295	503,097	6,681,835

Ten Year Average Fires	61,196
Ten Year Average Acres	3,412,710

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					1,128		1,128
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					6	6
	ACRES	100					876	976
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	ACRES	100	0	0	0	1,128	876	2,104

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			5		6
	ACRES		32,000			17,027		49,027
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	44	1		262	423
	ACRES	7,626	6,823	4,071	30		58,329	76,879
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	96	18		183	350
	ACRES	251	731	14,138	2,690		22,617	40,427
Southern California	FIRES		4	20	10		76	110
	ACRES		27	1,686	718		6,213	8,644
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	367	534
	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,535	63,665
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	3	3	18	48	96
	ACRES	149	7,852	547	1,102	1,490	18,115	29,255
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	5			5	17
	ACRES		1,248	541			971	2,760
Southwest	FIRES	14	15	7	10		298	344
	ACRES	2,896	4,846	12,769	7,779		67,181	95,471
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	41	147	18	12	114	374
	ACRES	5,117	11,861	22,280	13,264	3,947	45,672	102,141
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		369	23	1,066	192	1,670
	ACRES	14,454		43,499	4,443	73,607	28,298	164,301
Southern Area	FIRES	51		204	75	393	1,122	1,845
	ACRES	8,503		91,851	70,652	212,745	999,456	1,383,207
TOTAL	FIRES	217	216	969	161	1,539	2,667	5,769
	ACRES	40,881	68,019	203,884	101,724	311,882	1,289,387	2,015,777

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				52,266			52,266
Northwest	FIRES				5		7	12
	ACRES				200		1,545	1,745
Northern California	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				15		0	15
Southern California	FIRES				7		2	9
	ACRES				4,312		222	4,534
Northern Rockies	FIRES				14		62	76
	ACRES				0		2,406	2,406
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		42	43
	ACRES				0		8,456	8,456
Western Great Basin	FIRES		12		2			14
	ACRES		493		0			493
Southwest	FIRES				9		25	34
	ACRES				320		10,543	10,863
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		22	3	2	0	5	32
	ACRES		6,996	295	0	2,271	612	10,174
Eastern Area	FIRES				3		1	4
	ACRES				1,436		1	1,437
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	0	34	3	48	0	147	232
	ACRES	0	7,489	295	61,556	2,271	23,785	95,396

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	1	0	2,313	212,781
Yukon Territory	2	0	269	1,453,101
Alberta	0	23,173	1,508	234,421
Northwest Territory	0	99	282	284,872
Saskatchewan	0	0	317	224,026
Manitoba	0	0	221	4,894
Ontario	3	3	353	1,491
Quebec	1	101	245	2,930
Newfoundland	1	50	141	8,432
New Brunswick	0	0	235	289
Nova Scotia	0	0	241	241
Prince Edward Island	0	0	18	15
National Parks	0	13,230	88	197,904
Total	8	36,656	6,231	2,625,397

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	21	6	7	12	2	13			249	159
Northwest	25	98	6	126	7	25			457	459
Northern California	5	10	7	38		2			20	47
Southern California	1	8	1	17	4	2				10
Northern Rockies			1	1	1				2	
Eastern Great Basin	5	1	4		3				85	41
Western Great Basin	2				2				2	
Southwest	1		7						5	
Rocky Mountain		2	1	5		1			3	4
Eastern Area									9	
Southern Area										
Total	60	125	34	199	19	43	0	0	832	720

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