

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY OCTOBER 26, 2004 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 17 fires reported.

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A cold and wet weather system will move into the Pacific Northwest and northern California today, bringing valley rains and mountain snows. Snow will be especially heavy in the Sierra Nevada Mountains of California where as much as 2 feet is expected. Later in the day, rains will spread inland into the western and northern parts of the Great Basin. Pleasant and warm fall conditions will continue along the Eastern Seaboard.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Increasing clouds with rain spreading from north to south over the region. Snow in the Sierra above 5,000 feet. Partly cloudy over the deserts.	30s to 40s mountains. 55 to 65 valleys. 60s upper deserts. 70s lower deserts.	Above 50%.	Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

IN COUNTRY NOT SEEN IN DAYLIGHT

Often firefighters arrive on a fire after dark. This is recognized as Watchout Situation #2. Before safely fighting fire in country not seen in daylight, firefighters must be able to answer the following questions:

- Can the resources you are replacing give you a thorough briefing? Identify whom you might get information from. Can you meet up with the departing crew/engine leaders?
- Can you observe the area/use scouts? List ways you could observe the area you need to work.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been thoroughly scouted and marked for night use? Talk about what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone; who would identify them; and in what ways might they be marked.
- Have potential dangers been located; can they be mitigated? What are the dangers associated with Watchout Situation #2? How can they be worked around?
- Reduce the risks by:
 - Posting lookouts.
 - Checking communications.
 - Retreat if you have doubts about your escape routes or safety zones or the situation becomes too complex. Give examples of arriving on a fire after dark and what was done to allow you to fight fire safely in country not seen in daylight.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					0	1	1
	ACRES					2	1	3
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
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					3		3
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					8	2	10
	ACRES					14	3	17
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	12	5	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	16	5	21

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	6	57	82	18	496	44	703
	ACRES	7,131	1,193,008	1,967,800	29,835	3,319,410	16	6,517,200
Northwest	FIREs	363	306	38	62	1,761	1,319	3,849
	ACRES	22,696	4,975	1,370	258	18,556	74,819	122,674
Northern California	FIREs	150	87	12	25	2,794	1,025	4,093
	ACRES	188	8,894	43	482	81,925	34,554	126,086
Southern California	FIREs	39	115	35	38	3,023	805	4,055
	ACRES	676	6,085	1,867	5,095	67,132	11,582	92,437
Northern Rockies	FIREs	990	63	20	13	790	851	2,727
	ACRES	6,562	1,564	1,093	4	17,985	10,589	37,797
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	62	878	2	47	540	741	2,270
	ACRES	522	41,838	1	60	9,072	37,675	89,168
Western Great Basin	FIREs	26	637	13	19	107	152	954
	ACRES	364	22,435	2,666	79	7,884	6,363	39,791
Southwest	FIREs	778	179	5	82	690	1,775	3,509
	ACRES	5,327	6,130	201	516	7,056	282,532	301,762
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	336	469	39	51	475	476	1,846
	ACRES	5,465	5,004	1,274	37	24,527	8,060	44,367
Eastern Area	FIREs	495		48	29	10,796	508	11,876
	ACRES	5,109		2,435	111	82,823	5,825	96,303
Southern Area	FIREs	140		72	44	26,061	618	26,935
	ACRES	16,015		21,637	3,468	330,740	73,667	445,527
TOTAL	FIREs	3,385	2,791	366	428	47,533	8,314	62,817
	ACRES	70,055	1,289,933	2,000,387	39,945	3,967,110	545,682	7,913,112

Nine Year Average Fires	74,372
Nine Year Average Acres	4,331,199

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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		5				7	12
	ACRES		272				293	565
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						163	163
Southern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						39	39
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1				2	9	12
	ACRES	25				2	129	156
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0			0	4	4
	ACRES		81			230	430	741
Western Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						5	5
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	5	0	0	2	26	34
	ACRES	25	353	0	0	232	1,060	1,670

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs		1			5		6
	ACRES		33,000			22,901		55,901
Northwest	FIREs	59	112	68	1		436	676
	ACRES	11,045	21,355	5,882	30		78,326	116,638
Northern California	FIREs	14	40	22	22		244	342
	ACRES	251	2,099	17,511	4,696		29,976	54,533
Southern California	FIREs	2	5	22	15		105	149
	ACRES	195	43	2,166	981		7,192	10,577
Northern Rockies	FIREs	46	10	110	5	133	800	1,104
	ACRES	2,808	2,872	20,581	1,053	4,871	54,163	86,348
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	33	5	5	37	108	189
	ACRES	149	15,553	2,449	4,793	3,550	34,240	60,734
Western Great Basin	FIREs		10	5	3		6	24
	ACRES		2,432	541	414		977	4,364
Southwest	FIREs	30	15	7	16		499	567
	ACRES	12,797	4,651	12,769	11,406		104,397	146,020
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	51	55	165	19	15	150	455
	ACRES	7,151	18,382	24,661	13,864	7,564	55,213	126,835
Eastern Area	FIREs	28		377	23	1,104	250	1,782
	ACRES	15,104		45,607	4,443	74,884	37,366	177,404
Southern Area	FIREs	51		217	81	395	1,171	1,915
	ACRES	8,503		95,424	86,652	212,772	1,003,659	1,407,010
TOTAL	FIREs	282	281	998	190	1,689	3,769	7,209
	ACRES	58,003	100,387	227,591	128,332	326,542	1,405,509	2,246,364

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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				66,917			66,917
Northwest	FIRES				5		13	18
	ACRES				200		1,871	2,071
Northern California	FIRES				10		3	13
	ACRES				3,165		0	3,165
Southern California	FIRES				11		3	14
	ACRES				4,712		222	4,934
Northern Rockies	FIRES				15		63	78
	ACRES				0		2,410	2,410
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1	0	49	50
	ACRES				0	10	13,479	13,489
Western Great Basin	FIRES		15		2			17
	ACRES		494		0			494
Southwest	FIRES				10		28	38
	ACRES				1,703		14,820	16,523
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		28	3	2	0	6	39
	ACRES		6,996	295	0	2,271	613	10,175
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	43	3	63	0	166	275
	ACRES	0	7,490	295	81,140	2,281	33,416	124,622

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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		2								5
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										3
Eastern Area									1	
Southern Area										
Total	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	3

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