

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT**  
**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2004 0530 MDT**  
**NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 130 new fires reported. One new large fire was reported in the Southwest Area. One large fire was contained in the Western Great Basin Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon and Utah.

Presidential Disaster Declarations have been issued for Hurricane Frances in Florida on 9/4; for Hurricane Ivan in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi on 9/16; and for Hurricane Jeanne in Florida on 9/26. An Area Command Team (Ribar) is assigned to the Florida Disaster Field Office, Orlando, FL. Numerous resources have been mobilized as part of the relief effort, including aviation assets, mobile caterers and showers, national buying teams, crews and miscellaneous overhead personnel.

**SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS:**

HURRICANE FRANCES / IVAN RESPONSE, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bennett) is managing a base camp at Saufley Field Naval Air Station in Pensacola, FL. A Georgia State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cline) is assigned to Saufley Field Naval Air Station in Pensacola, FL to support the receiving and distribution of relief supplies. A Type 1 incident Management Team (Sexton) is managing an Operational Staging Area at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, AL. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned in Milton, FL and is managing a base camp and supporting the receiving and distribution of supplies. A transfer of command from a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Wilcock) to a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullenix) will occur on 9/29. The Team is managing a base camp and supporting the receiving and distribution of supplies and debris removal in central Alabama. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is supporting county crews in the removal of debris and the clearing of vegetation in Baldwin County, AL. A North Carolina State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Houseman) is assigned to the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, FL and is supporting the receiving and distribution of relief supplies. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is staged in Atlanta, GA. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Hart) is being assigned to Pensacola, FL.

HURRICANE JEANNE RESPONSE, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Kearney) is staged in Atlanta, GA.

**SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:**

MORGAN, Kaibab National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFO) incident is being managed to accomplished resource objectives. This fire is six miles southeast of Williams, AZ in ponderosa pine. Active backing fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MORGAN - WFO	AZ	KNF	400	N/A	N/A	10	0	1	0	0	3K

## WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SAMPSON CREEK	NV	ELD	1,192	100	---	NR	0	1	0	0	NR

ELD = Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office

## OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** An upper low over California will help trigger thunderstorms from the Sierra eastward across the Great Basin to the Rockies. Thunderstorms are also expected in the Southwest.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Morning fog and low clouds lower coastal valleys with local drizzle. A slight chance of thundershowers over the Sierra. Otherwise partly cloudy.	65 to 75 coastal areas. 65 to 80 mountains. 80 to 90 valleys. 78 to 85 upper deserts. 92 to 102 lower deserts.	15 to 25% mountains. 20 to 35% valleys. 8 to 15% deserts.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
<b>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b> Partly to mostly cloudy skies with afternoon thunderstorms in the northern and southern ends of the state.	North Valleys: 72 to 87. South Valleys: 82 to 94. Mountains: 64 to 80.	North Valleys: 10 to 18%. North Mountains: 14 to 22%. South Valleys: 9 to 16%. South Mountains: 14 to 22%.	South to southwest 5 to 15 mph with afternoon gusts to 25 mph.
<b>EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b> <b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> Partly cloudy with isolated mainly dry thunderstorms. <b>Northern Utah:</b> Partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered wet and dry thunderstorms. <b>Southern Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> Partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered wet and dry thunderstorms. .	<b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> 59 to 74 mountains, 74 to 88 valleys. <b>Northern Utah:</b> 64 to 74 mountains, 74 to 85 valleys. <b>Southern Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> 64 to 79 mountains, 79 to 93 valleys, except 96 to 103 Lake Mead area.	<b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> 18 to 34% mountains, 12 to 25% valley. <b>Northern Utah:</b> 22 to 32% mountains, 17 to 27% valleys. <b>Southern Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> 18 to 35% mountains, 10 to 22% valleys.	<b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> Upslope/upvalley 4 to 8 except southwest 5 to 12 mph Upper Snake Plain and western Wyoming mountains. <b>Northern Utah:</b> Southwest or upslope/upvalley 5 to 15 mph. <b>Southern Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> Southwest or upslope/upvalley 5 to 15 mph.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **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
- Others

● 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
- Others

● 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					0
	ACRES		1,120					1,120
Northwest	FIRES	12	1	15				28
	ACRES	10	0	1				11
Northern California	FIRES	1				9	10	20
	ACRES	5				30	34	69
Southern California	FIRES					8	1	9
	ACRES					8	0	8
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				1		3
	ACRES	31				0		31
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2				2	4
	ACRES		10				0	10
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						5	5
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES					14	6	20
	ACRES					6	12	18
Southern Area	FIRES					42		42
	ACRES					219		219
TOTAL	FIRES	15	4	15	0	75	21	130
	ACRES	46	1,130	1	0	263	51	1,491

# FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	6	58	81	18	490	22	675
	ACRES	6,109	1,193,775	1,875,977	29,426	3,292,494	5	6,397,786
Northwest	FIRES	357	301	53	62	1,689	1,274	3,736
	ACRES	22,673	4,781	881	258	18,141	74,484	121,218
Northern California	FIRES	123	87	12	19	2,553	936	3,730
	ACRES	171	8,894	43	481	51,526	9,681	70,796
Southern California	FIRES	38	111	28	47	2,845	750	3,819
	ACRES	671	6,036	1,867	29	67,006	11,558	87,167
Northern Rockies	FIRES	947	63	19	13	781	855	2,678
	ACRES	6,081	1,448	1,062	4	18,142	11,080	37,817
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	61	802	2	46	551	712	2,174
	ACRES	532	40,848	1	61	8,690	47,267	97,399
Western Great Basin	FIRES	16	626	12	17	99	148	918
	ACRES	340	23,118	2,665	51	7,858	8,363	42,395
Southwest	FIRES	708	148	5	75	668	1,682	3,286
	ACRES	5,183	5,693	201	514	7,045	282,237	300,873
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	335	463	36	50	452	463	1,799
	ACRES	5,463	4,998	1,273	37	24,431	8,058	44,260
Eastern Area	FIRES	495		47	31	10,513	486	11,572
	ACRES	5,109		2,335	110	82,265	5,769	95,588
Southern Area	FIRES	139		65	44	25,567	603	26,418
	ACRES	15,965		21,186	3,468	326,957	73,595	441,171
TOTAL	FIRES	3,225	2,659	360	422	46,208	7,931	60,805
	ACRES	68,297	1,289,591	1,907,491	34,439	3,904,555	532,097	7,736,470

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>67,920</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>3,672,165,</b>

\*\*\* 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						0	0
	ACRES						15	15
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			2			4	6
	ACRES			406			182	588
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			2	3	6
	ACRES		1,200			462	375	2,037
Western Great Basin	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		50					50
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						391	391
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	170					100	270
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			171				171
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						13	13
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	3	0	2	11	18
	ACRES	170	1,250	577	0	462	1,076	3,535

**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	38	92	65	1		278	474
	ACRES	7,626	18,429	4,941	30		61,121	92,147
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	101	19		184	357
	ACRES	251	2,097	14,908	4,145		22,635	44,036
Southern California	FIRES		4	20	11		76	111
	ACRES		27	1,686	756		6,213	8,682
Northern Rockies	FIRES	40	9	85	3	62	520	719
	ACRES	2,585	3,336	14,655	1,046	3,236	46,631	71,489
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	27	4	5	22	63	122
	ACRES	149	14,474	2,447	4,753	1,977	20,214	44,014
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10	5	3		5	23
	ACRES		2,339	541	414		971	4,265
Southwest	FIRES	14	15	7	14		369	419
	ACRES	3,869	4,846	12,769	10,976		86,936	119,396
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	46	48	163	19	13	131	420
	ACRES	6,027	13,408	23,593	13,864	3,347	49,509	109,748
Eastern Area	FIRES	27		372	23	1,086	206	1,714
	ACRES	14,804		43,704	4,443	73,953	34,758	171,662
Southern Area	FIRES	51		204	80	395	1,149	1,879
	ACRES	8,503		91,851	84,152	212,772	1,000,527	1,397,805
TOTAL	FIRES	231	245	1,026	178	1,583	2,981	6,244
	ACRES	43,814	91,956	211,095	124,579	318,186	1,329,515	2,119,145

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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				62,266			62,266
Northwest	FIRES				5		13	18
	ACRES				200		1,771	1,971
Northern California	FIRES				10		3	13
	ACRES				3,165		0	3,165
Southern California	FIRES				11		2	13
	ACRES				4,690		222	4,912
Northern Rockies	FIRES				15		63	78
	ACRES				0		2,410	2,410
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		100		1	0	48	149
	ACRES		0		0	10	13,498	13,508
Western Great Basin	FIRES		14		2			16
	ACRES		494		0			494
Southwest	FIRES				9		26	35
	ACRES				1,705		14,709	16,414
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		28	1,022	2	0	6	1,058
	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	142	1,022	62	0	162	1,388
	ACRES	0	7,490	295	76,469	2,281	33,224	119,759

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### CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia			2,326	224,526
Yukon Territory			273	1,843,260
Alberta			1,536	234,420
Northwest Territory			286	347,292
Saskatchewan			321	240,672
Manitoba			222	4,895
Ontario			367	1,493
Quebec			258	3,013
Newfoundland			144	8,432
New Brunswick			239	295
Nova Scotia			248	246
Prince Edward Island			20	15
National Parks			88	197,904
Total			6,328	3,106,463

\*\*\*The next weekly update for CIFFC will be on 9/30/2004\*\*\*

### 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			6		1				1	
Northern California	4		7							
Southern California	9	4	5	10	7				12	29
Northern Rockies	1									
Eastern Great Basin	1		17		1					
Western Great Basin	1		3		1					
Southwest			1						8	
Rocky Mountain			6	1					1	3
Eastern Area									2	
Southern Area	16	2							501	183
Total	32	6	45	11	10	0	0	0	525	215

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