

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2005 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate nationally with 149 fires reported. Four new large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest, Eastern Great Basin, Alaska and Rocky Mountain Areas. One large fire was contained in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Minnesota, New Mexico, Nevada and Texas.

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

CAVE CREEK COMPLEX, Tonto National Forest. Two Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Whitney and Oltrogge) are assigned. This complex, comprised of the Lousy, Broad and Cave Creek fires is six miles northeast of Carefree, AZ in chaparral, oak, and grass. Structure protection plans are being developed for Camp Verde, Pine and Strawberry. Pine Mountain, high voltage power lines, Cedar Bench Wilderness, the Agua Fria National Monument, riparian areas, endangered species habitat, and archeological resources are threatened. Steep topography, extreme fire behavior, flashy fuels and poor access are impeding control efforts. Fire has entered the New River Mountains and is burning at a high rate of spread towards the Verde River.

THREE FIRE COMPLEX, Tonto National Forest. A transfer of command from a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Philbin) back to the local unit will occur today. This complex, comprised of the Three and Four fires, is eight miles northwest of Tonto Basin, AZ in chaparral and grass. Fires are being monitored by ground and aerial resources.

SNAKE RIDGE, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This fire is 12 miles northeast of Clifton, AZ in grass. Steep terrain and limited access are slowing containment efforts. Backing fire, torching and running fire behavior were observed.

BUTTE, Arizona State. This fire is 14 miles northwest of Buckeye, AZ in grass. Residences in and around the town of Buckeye were evacuated. Successful structure protection operations were implemented. Flame lengths of 20 feet in grass with extreme rates of spread were reported.

MATUCK, Truxton Canon Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 25 miles northeast of Peach Springs, AZ in pinyon, juniper, grass and yucca. Fire remains active with spotting and torching observed. No new information was received.

HINDU, Truxton Canon Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 20 miles northwest of Peach Springs, AZ in pine, juniper, grass and brush. No new information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
CAVE CREEK COMPLEX	AZ	TNF	140,000	20	UNK	862	23	26	8	11	3.44M	N/A
THREE FIRE COMPLEX	AZ	TNF	19,370	75	6/29	269	4	12	3	1	1.73M	N/A
SNAKE RIDGE	AZ	ASF	2,500	NR	7/31	27	0	0	0	0	7K	ST
BUTTE	AZ	AZS	350	75	6/29	60	0	10	0	1	NR	ST
MATUCK	AZ	TCA	888	80	7/1	63	3	0	2	0	NR	BIA
HINDU	AZ	TCA	1,000	95	6/29	71	3	0	2	0	NR	BIA
NORTH GILA COMPLEX - WFU	NM	GNF	13,586	N/A	N/A	120	5	4	0	0	450K	FS
BLACK RANGE COMPLEX - WFU	NM	GNF	21,307	N/A	N/A	35	2	2	0	0	395K	FS

GNF = Gila National Forest

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

BLUE SPRING, Dixie National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Muir) is assigned. This fire is three miles north of Leeds, UT in grass, pinyon pine and oak brush. The evacuation order in Harmony Heights subdivision was lifted. Wildlife habit and wilderness values remain threatened. Winds in the afternoon accompanied by crown fire and torching were reported. Precipitation, cooler weather and moderating winds aided containment efforts. Successful suppression actions minimized damage in Harmony Heights.

MT. BANGS COMPLEX, Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Blume) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Lead, Elbow and Hatchet fires, is 15 miles south of Mesquite, NV in grass and brush. Lime Kiln Canyon Road remains closed. Desert Tortoise habitat and wilderness values remain threatened. A new fire start was reported to be contained at 300 acres. Erratic winds are driving extreme fire behavior.

WESTSIDE COMPLEX, Cedar City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Saleen) is assigned. This fire is 25 miles northwest of St. George, UT in grass, pinyon and juniper. The Shivwits Indian Reservation, communications sites, power lines, gas lines and wildlife habitat remain threatened. High winds, low relative humidity and steep, rough terrain are impeding containment efforts. The West Mountain fire was contained today.

TWEEDY, Arizona Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 32 miles from St. George, UT in grass, pinyon, juniper and sage. High winds and low relative humidity contributed to extreme fire behavior with running and torching.

LAST CHANCE, Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 35 miles south of St. George, UT in grass and brush. No new information was reported.

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BLUE SPRING	UT	DIF	12,260	50	UNK	761	21	57	5	3	1.43M	FS
MT. BANGS COMPLEX	AZ	ASD	29,600	70	6/30	324	9	18	3	0	419K	BLM
WESTSIDE COMPLEX	UT	CCD	68,264	50	UNK	390	10	14	4	0	1.06M	N/A
TWEEDY	AZ	ASD	11,000	0	UNK	20	0	6	0	0	NR	BLM
LAST CHANCE	AZ	ASD	15,000	10	7/1	76	3	3	0	0	NR	BLM
NORTH LYNDYL	UT	RID	547	100	---	8	0	2	0	0	NR	BLM

RID= Richfield Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

ALASKA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

KING COUNTY CREEK, Kenai Wildlife Refuge. A Type 2 Incident Management team (Doty) is assigned. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 13 miles southeast of Sterling, AK in black spruce, mixed hardwoods and dead and down beetle killed spruce. Residences and commercial property are threatened. Torching 1/3 mile ahead of the front was observed.

LOST HORSE CREEK, State of Alaska, Fairbairns Area Forestry. This fire is 20 miles north of Fox, AK in black spruce, mixed hardwoods and tundra. Residences along Wickersham Creek and a military site are threatened. Fire is not road accessible. Aerial resources are being utilized to hold flanks. Significant runs with flame lengths up to 50 feet were observed.

CHAPMAN CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Northern Field Office. This fire is eight miles south of Coldfoot, AK in black spruce and tundra. The community of Coldfoot remains threatened. Intermittent crowning and torching were reported. Running fire in tundra was also observed.

SHEENJEK RIVER, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone. A transfer of command from a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kurth) back to the local unit will occur today. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land six miles northeast of Ft. Yukon, AK in birch, aspen, black and white spruce. Cabins and outbuildings remain threatened. Falling water levels in the Sheenjek and Porcupine Rivers continue to slow crew movement with boats. Pockets of black spruce are exhibiting crowning and torching with short distance spotting observed.

LONG LAKE, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 13 miles northwest of Beaver, AK in mixed hardwoods, black spruce and brush. No new information was reported.

LITTLE INDIAN RIVER, Alaska Fire Service, Tanana Zone. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 12 miles southeast of Hughes, AK in mixed hardwoods, black spruce and tundra. No new information was reported.

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KING COUNTY CREEK	AK	KKS	3,000	0	7/13	12	0	0	0	0	6K	FWS
LOST HORSE CREEK	AK	FAS	800	0	7/1	35	2	0	0	0	NR	ST
CHAPMAN CREEK	AK	NOD	91,510	5	UNK	156	6	1	3	0	1.28M	BLM
SHEENJEK RIVER	AK	UYD	82,600	60	UNK	139	3	0	5	0	3.28M	FWS
LONG LAKE	AK	UYD	362	NR	UNK	51	2	0	0	0	NR	FWS
LITTLE INDIAN RIVER	AK	TAD	700	0	UNK	16	0	0	0	0	17K	FWS

WESTERN GREAT BASIN INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

SOUTHERN NEVADA COMPLEX, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the South Desert Complex and the Mesquite Complex is near Mesquite, NV in grass, pinyon and juniper. Caliente municipal watershed, a railroad, power lines, gas lines and wildlife habitat are threatened. The Duzak and Halfway fires merged and are now identified as the Duzak Fire. Active portions of the fires experienced high to extreme fire behavior and short distance spotting as winds increased in the afternoon.

GOOD SPRINGS, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A transfer of command from a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Krugman) back to the local unit will occur today. This fire is 11 miles northwest of Jean, NV in juniper, brush and grass. Radiometric mapping is being utilized to detect interior heat. No fire activity was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
SOUTHERN NEVADA COMPLEX	NV	LVD	392,674	25	UNK	961	30	32	6	0	2.28M	N/A
GOOD SPRINGS	NV	LVD	33,569	95	6/30	239	4	8	3	0	1.66M	BLM

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

RIO BLANCO WFU, San Juan National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is burning 10 miles southeast of Pagosa Springs, CO in timber with oak understory. The fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Creeping fire behavior was observed.

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RIO BLANCO - WFU	CO	SJF	130	N/A	N/A	15	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A drier, more stable westerly flow will be developing over the West. Strong high pressure will continue over northern Alaska with a low pressure system in the Gulf of Alaska feeding moisture into the southern portions of the state.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southwest Much drier, warmer and less windy with mostly sunny skies. Isolated thunderstorms southeast New Mexico.	Mountains: 70 to 90. Lower elevations: 90 to 112.	5 to 15%, except 15 to 30% highest northern New Mexico mountains and west Texas.	Southwest 5 to 15 mph with gusts to 20 to 25 mph Arizona and western New Mexico. South to southwest 10 to 20 mph eastern New Mexico and west Texas.
Western Great Basin Sunny skies.	North Valleys: 82 to 98. South Valleys: 86 to 110. Mountains: 72 to 88.	North Valleys: 8 to 18%. South Valleys: 4 to 10%. Mountains: 10 to 32%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 10 mph with a few afternoon gusts to 25 mph.
Eastern Great Basin Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly sunny. Northern Utah: Mostly sunny. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Mostly sunny.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mountains: 53 to 65. Valleys: 73 to 84. Northern Utah: Mountains: 61 to 75 Valleys: 75 to 85. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Mountains: 71 to 80. Valleys: 80 to 100.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mountains: 30 to 45%. Valleys: 25 to 35%. Northern Utah: Mountains: 30 to 40%. Valleys 16 to 26%. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Mountains: 15 to 24% Valleys: 8 to 18%.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Light and variable. Northern Utah: West 10 to 20 mph. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Light and variable.
Southern California Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise sunny.	75 to 90 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 90 to 100 upper deserts. 105 to 115 lower deserts.	5 to 15%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
Rocky Mountain Isolated to scattered afternoon thunderstorms western portions with isolated dry lightning.	Mid 80s to mid 90s with mid 60s and 70s mountains.	Lower elevations southwest: 10 to 25%.	South, southwest 15 to 30 mph over eastern portions of the region.
Alaska Partly cloudy to mostly sunny. Scattered afternoon showers and wet thunderstorms in the southern half of Alaska. Isolated dry thunderstorms along the northeastern slopes of the Alaska Range.	Interior: mid 70s to upper 80s. Southwest and South-Central: low 70s to mid 80s.	Interior: 18 to 28%. South-Central and Southwest Alaska: 20 to 35%.	5 to 15 mph.
Northern California Mostly sunny, with areas of fog along and near the coast in mainly the a.m. hours.	Near the coast: 60s to mid 70s. Inland: 80s to mid 90s.	Inland 18 to 35%. Nearer to the coast: 38 to 55%.	Northwest to northeast under 15 mph in the morning, becoming variable up to 12 mph in the afternoon.



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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		5	0		4		9
	ACRES		1,666	5,036		154		6,856
Northwest	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		1					1
Northern California	FIRES					7	2	9
	ACRES					1	1	2
Southern California	FIRES		3			13	6	22
	ACRES		0			80	14	94
Northern Rockies	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		24	1	1	8	4	38
	ACRES		16,689	0	10	298	2,310	19,307
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		77,076					77,076
Southwest	FIRES	4	5			3	4	16
	ACRES	5	34			350	3	392
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3	22		1	10	5	41
	ACRES	0	8		0	6	50	64
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1	5		6
	ACRES				2	31		33
TOTAL	FIRES	7	65	1	3	50	23	149
	ACRES	5	95,474	5,036	12	920	2,379	103,826

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	52	32	16	225	10	337
	ACRES	3	262,725	121,426	5,438	41,276	320	431,188
Northwest	FIRES	46	29	6	8	367	133	589
	ACRES	333	19	9	5	18,818	59	19,243
Northern California	FIRES		2	1		468	99	570
	ACRES		0	0		2,237	43	2,280
Southern California	FIRES	18	33	7	14	830	152	1,054
	ACRES	115	1,079	126	51,003	16,832	94	69,249
Northern Rockies	FIRES	271	9	16		123	62	481
	ACRES	4,564	186	913		1,617	1,319	8,599
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	5	158	2	13	129	58	365
	ACRES	811	105,373	1	12	5,332	173	111,702
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	110	8	11	14	17	161
	ACRES	0	442,721	6,572	47	21,017	107	470,464
Southwest	FIRES	918	102	9	25	693	452	2,199
	ACRES	13,728	106,474	9,237	263	46,583	116,147	292,432
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	138	112	19	10	169	106	554
	ACRES	2,702	128	172	9	14,925	1,691	19,627
Eastern Area	FIRES	496		32	34	7,388	416	8,366
	ACRES	7,052		1,719	943	54,573	7,615	71,902
Southern Area	FIRES	160		101	33	14,364	408	15,066
	ACRES	25,861		18,054	1,829	152,552	10,672	208,968
TOTAL	FIRES	2,055	607	233	164	24,770	1,913	29,742
	ACRES	55,169	918,705	158,229	59,549	375,762	138,240	1,705,654

Ten Year Average Fires	41,846
Ten Year Average Acres	1,331,004

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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			0
	ACRES				325			325
Southern California	FIRES				1		0	1
	ACRES				90		90	180
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						40	40
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			2				2
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	1	0	1	3
	ACRES	0	0	2	415	0	130	547

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIRES	18	91	34	2		192	337
	ACRES	5,651	12,267	2,704	249		17,756	38,627
Northern California	FIRES	12	20	133	24		165	354
	ACRES	188	1,098	24,624	2,690		18,338	46,938
Southern California	FIRES	1	6	4	12		77	100
	ACRES	1,000	683	8	2,261		6,269	10,221
Northern Rockies	FIRES	5	28	100	3	31	235	402
	ACRES	155	3,244	20,212	22	2,131	22,147	47,911
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	16	4	1	10	38	70
	ACRES	1	7,049	711	11	128	9,590	17,490
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	10			2	17
	ACRES		106	2,711			2,775	5,592
Southwest	FIRES	8	34	2	9		224	277
	ACRES	3,062	38,726	3,210	14,212		64,056	123,266
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	29	38	99	14	16	100	296
	ACRES	3,709	10,074	20,099	10,312	2,501	28,629	75,324
Eastern Area	FIRES	36		451	34	1,023	132	1,676
	ACRES	17,502		67,589	4,422	66,882	25,442	181,837
Southern Area	FIRES	34		145	46	385	1,065	1,675
	ACRES	7,180		78,698	27,168	249,547	877,934	1,240,527
TOTAL	FIRES	144	238	982	145	1,469	2,230	5,208
	ACRES	38,448	73,247	220,566	61,347	321,815	1,072,936	1,788,359

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				8			8
	ACRES				18,516			18,516
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				2			2
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						22	22
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				2		3	5
	ACRES				1		2	3
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIRES				2	1	9	12
	ACRES				1,883	5	34,230	36,118
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		7		2		2	11
	ACRES		148		1		140	289
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				5			5
	ACRES				102			102
TOTAL	FIRES	0	11	0	19	1	16	47
	ACRES	0	149	0	20,505	5	34,394	55,053

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	3	0	461	26,720
Yukon Territory	1	23,836	43	42,918
Alberta	6	0	875	58,031
Northwest Territory	0	0	47	7,135
Saskatchewan	1	0	117	36,366
Manitoba	0	0	80	3,228
Ontario	4	1	384	16,185
Quebec	12	0	465	644,031
Newfoundland	1	0	85	2,690
New Brunswick	2	1	205	206
Nova Scotia	2	15	218	509
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	50	38	15,106
Total	33	22,654	3,018	853,124

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	7	6		1	7	1			132	36
Northwest	1								7	
Northern California	8	1	20		4					
Southern California	5	1	10		2					
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	42	7	84	58	10	10			209	52
Western Great Basin	26	9	27	17	5	5			226	74
Southwest	49	3	26	45	6	6			354	205
Rocky Mountain	1	2	16	11	2	1			42	3
Eastern Area									14	1
Southern Area										
Total	139	29	183	132	36	23	0	0	984	371

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