

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1999 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Increased initial attack activity was reported in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Minimal activity was reported elsewhere with one new large fire reported in the Northern Rockies Area. Containment was accomplished on a large fire in California. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized a caterer, shower unit, lead plane, air tankers, helicopters, infrared aircraft, telecommunications equipment, crews and miscellaneous overhead. High to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, North Dakota, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming and New Jersey.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

EAST, Klamath National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Weltch) is assigned. This fire is near Happy Camp, CA. Suppression efforts are going well. Several spot fires outside of the firelines have been contained.

HAPPY CAMP ABC, Klamath National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Weltch) is assigned. Demobilization has begun.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
EAST	CA	KNF	1146	60	UNK	742	28	40	5	0	NR	685K
HAPPY CAMP ABC	CA	KNF	181	70	UNK	186	6	2	4	0	NR	1M

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

DEVIL STORM, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) is assigned. This fire is 35 miles southwest of Darby, Montana. The fire continues to make runs through dry, heavy fuels. Smoke from this incident has entered the southern part of the Bitterroot Valley.

SPRING CREEK, Lewis and Clark National Forest. This fire is near White Sulphur Springs, Montana. Evaluation of resource needs will continue today. No additional information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
DEVIL STORM	MT	BRF	900	10	UNK	98	5	0	1	0	NR	123K
SPRING CREEK	MT	LCF	300	0	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LARGE FIRES:

BULL ELK PARK, Big Horn National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hartman) is assigned. This fire is 17 miles west of Dayton, Wyoming in Sheridan County. Crews are constructing fire line from remote camps. Unpredictable fire behavior and spot fires continue to hamper suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BULL ELK PARK	WY	BHF	205	10	UNK	339	8	0	4	0	NR	393K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

SOLDIER, Salmon/Challis National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. Two lightning ignited fires, thirty miles northwest of Stanley, Idaho, are being managed to accomplish resource objectives. A crew continues to construct fireline on Greyhound Ridge in preparation for a potential burnout. The fire increased by sixty-eight acres in the past twenty-four hours. The fire is progressing lower into Soldier Creek along the North fork of the Salmon River.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SOLDIER	ID	SCF	953	0	UNK	57	2	0	2	0	NR	122K

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BILL BRANCH, National Forests of Florida. This fire is near Silver Springs, Florida. No new information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
BILL BRANCH	FL	FNF	227	90	UNK	3	0	1	0	0	NR	12K

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TURTLE	CA	BDF	3687	100	----	1097	2	5	1	2	475K	1.6M

BDF = San Bernardino National Forest.

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS IN EFFECT OVER MONTANA FOR INCREASING WINDS, LOW HUMIDITIES AND DRY LIGHTNING. ***

High pressure aloft continues to dominate the weather across the western part of the country. Monsoon moisture will continue to move north out of the southwestern United States. An upper level trough and low pressure system along the west coast will keep the interior Pacific Northwest, California valleys and much of the Great Basin dry and very warm.

Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho will have isolated to scattered afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. This activity will be prevalent over the mountains. Utah and Arizona may experience heavy rain with the thunderstorms.

Portions of Montana, Nevada, eastern Oregon, Wyoming and western Idaho may experience isolated dry thunderstorms today.

The rest of the western states will be dry with mostly sunny skies, except for continued morning low clouds and fog along the California, Washington and Oregon coasts. High temperatures will be in the 80's to near 100 in most locations, with 60's and 70's in the mountains. Temperatures in the southern deserts will be in the 90's to 110.

Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, western Idaho, and Nevada will see relative humidities drop to near 10 percent in the afternoon.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1				6	3	10
	ACRES	0				4	4	8
CA-NORTH	FIRES					11	4	15
	ACRES					5	0	5
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	3				10	3	16
	ACRES	2				4	100	106
NORTHERN	FIRES	3	1			3	13	20
	ACRES	34	15			0	484	533
GB-EAST	FIRES		10			1	14	25
	ACRES		22			1	2	25
GB-WEST	FIRES		1			1	1	3
	ACRES		40			5	100	145
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	3	1				1	5
	ACRES	1	0				0	1
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		15		2		2	19
	ACRES		201		0		1	202
EASTERN	FIRES				2	62	6	70
	ACRES				36	86	4	126
SOUTHERN	FIRES					19	2	21

TOTAL	ACRES					534	4	538
	FIRES	10	28	0	4	113	49	204
	ACRES	37	278	0	36	639	699	1689

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	42	28	13	379		464
	ACRES	1	299201	283294	155632	265424		1003552
NORTHWEST	FIRES	143	93	11	8	736	361	1352
	ACRES	2248	3534	3728	2	4277	2018	15807
CA-NORTH	FIRES	106	10	6	14	1833	410	2379
	ACRES	91	8952	33	34	8482	2733	20325
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	48	118	7	29	1969	522	2693
	ACRES	893	1276	11	13947	27241	11953	55321
NORTHERN	FIRE	375	39	12	5	357	386	1174
	ACRES	4389	2309	125	2	37789	3095	47709
GB-EAST	FIRES	27	399		14	176	238	854
	ACRES	1192	181886		7	19783	22610	225478
GB-WEST	FIRES	20	191	2	5	47	90	355
	ACRES	747	247848	116	3	20550	900	270164
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	756	110	8	31	704	1264	2873
	ACRES	12688	24352	225	371	67819	11344	116799
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	404	302	30	27	883	169	1815
	ACRES	8526	12263	703	14	48799	1254	71559
EASTERN	FIRES	513			75	12994	288	13870
	ACRES	2947			798	87185	4189	95119
SOUTHERN	FIRES	34		59	91	28051	792	29027
	ACRES	626		18803	11114	539186	43128	612857
TOTALS	FIRES	2428	1304	163	312	48129	4520	56856
	ACRES	34348	781621	307038	181924	1126535	103224	2534690
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								48512
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								1719023

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			150				150
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERNRO	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0

GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	150	0	0	0	150

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES				2		0	2
	ACRES				0		153	153
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	153	153

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	5	1	460	4798
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	95	159635
ALBERTA	0	924	740	118321
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	105	146931

SASKATCHEWAN	4	11127	559	117014
MANITOBA	3	310	468	92385
ONTARIO	39	41	693	306490
QUEBEC	7	0	710	95148
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	199	43485
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	507	1231
NOVA SCOTIA	2	1	368	1663
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23	76
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	28	65329
TOTALS	61	12404	4955	1152506

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews		Engs		Heli		Airt		Ovrhd	
	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	3	2	5	1	2				10	
CA-NORTH	24	16	22	22	2	7			153	73
CA-SOUTH	11	30	30		6				115	169
NORTHERN	15	3	27	6	3	4			57	6
GB-EAST	2	1	10		5				17	
GB-WEST			2	7						
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	16	1	13		9	2	2		244	95
EASTERN									21	10
SOUTHERN			1						5	
TOTAL	71	53	110	36	27	13	2	0	622	353

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