

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1998 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

In anticipation of Hurricane Bonnie, FEMA has tasked the Southern Area for two Type II Interagency Management Teams (Kearney and Bollman) to be staged at Fort Bragg, North Carolina to manage Receiving and Distribution centers. Minimal initial attack activity was reported. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for helicopters, equipment and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme indices were reported for Texas, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and South Dakota.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

MILK RIVER, Blackfeet Agency, BIA. Good progress was made around the perimeter, yet hot spots remain inside the line. Two ranches to the east and one to the northwest are threatened.

PACK TRAIL, Bitterroot NF. This fire is located 10 miles east of Sula. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is assigned. The Team is re-evaluating the expected containment date. Helicopter bucket drops were used to control a flare-up on the southern flank in a steep and inaccessible area. Crews will not be working in this area because of the steep and unstable ground. Crews are making good progress on mop-up of the northern flank.

WEST FORK WILDERNESS FIRES, Bitterroot NF. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (Wallace) is assigned. All fires exhibited increased activity.

MOOSE COMPLEX, Nez Perce NF. This complex of fires is located in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. A structure protection plan is being prepared for the Moose Creek Historic site, the Shissler Lookout, two foot bridges and a private ranch.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MILK RIVER	FA	MT	500	40	8/26	75	0	12	0	0	UNK	UNK
PACK TRAIL	RF	MT	95	85	UNK	182	5	0	2	0	UNK	495K
W. FORK WILDERN	RF	MT	1,485	0	UNK	37	0	0	1	0	0	176K
MOOSE COMPLEX	PF	ID	173	0	UNK	30	0	0	1	0	0	72K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type I Incident Management Team

(Richer) is assigned. These fires are located approximately 20 miles northwest of Salmon. All lines and associated burnouts have been completed on the Upper and Lower Ebb fires. Excellent progress is being made toward containment of the other wilderness fires. Demobilization of excess resources has begun and is expected to increase rapidly the next several days.

LAIID LOW, Salmon-Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Carr) is assigned. This fire is burning in an area of heavy bug kill 12 miles northwest of Stanley. Erratic winds caused the fire to expand in all directions with a major run to the north and northeast. Heavy smoke is making access and mapping the fire difficult.

MAIN SALMON COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis NF. An Interagency Fire Use Management Team (O'Brien) is assigned. This complex is 40 miles west northwest of Salmon. The complex consists of 14 fires, in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness on the Salmon-Challis, Payette, Nez Perce and Bitterroot National Forests. Active burning has stopped at elevations between 5600' and 6800' on all of the fires. Below freezing temperatures and frost were observed throughout the area on the evening of 8/24.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
NORTH FORK COMP	CF	ID	7,055	80	8/27	896	26	22	9	UNK	UNK	3482K
LAIID LOW	CF	ID	600	UNK	UNK	292	10	5	0	UNK	UNK	231K
PARIS PEAK	AF	ID	102	100	8/25	166	6	2	4	UNK	UNK	291K
MAIN SALMON COM	F*	ID	10,989	0	10/15	58	1	0	1	0	0K	538K

* Primary ordering office location.

WESTERN GREAT BASIN LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MM272	VS	NV	3,240	100	----	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
BOULDER VALLEY	KD	NV	2,750	100	----	82	4	4	0	0	NR	UNK

OUTLOOK:

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN WESTERN MONTANA FOR GUSTY, WESTERLY WINDS AND LOW HUMIDITY. Western Montana will have southwest to west winds of 15 to 30 MPH. Locally breezy conditions are forecast for California, Nevada, and Idaho. Arizona, New Mexico, eastern Nevada, Utah, Colorado and Wyoming will have scattered wet thunderstorms. Southeast Idaho and southern Montana will have scattered thunderstorms with a little rain. High temperatures will range from the 70's to 80's in the Northwest and Northern Rockies. The remainder of the West will have highs in the 90's to 110, with 70's and 80's in the mountains.

NR = NOT REPORTED UNK = UNKNOWN

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		1			7	5	13
	ACRES		0			51	6	57
CA-NORTH	FIRES					13	2	15
	ACRES					10	0	10
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		3			20	2	25
	ACRES		0			6	1	7
NORTHERN	FIRES	1				9	50	60
	ACRES	4				0	4	8
GB-EAST	FIRES		5				3	8
	ACRES		4				13	17
GB-WEST	FIRES		5				1	6
	ACRES		1				0	1
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		1				1	2
EASTERN	FIRES					15	1	16
	ACRES					44	20	64
SOUTHERN	FIRES					57	1	58
	ACRES					244	15	259
TOTAL	FIRES	1	15	0	0	122	67	205
	ACRES	4	6	0	0	355	60	425

* = NO REPORT

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	3	26	7	3	322	5	366
	ACRES	1	56,646	51	21	63,988	1	120,708
NORTHWEST	FIRES	231	238	8	11	1,150	1,323	2,961
	ACRES	17,652	70,424	358	12	4,693	10,821	103,960
CA-NORTH	FIRES	102	23	2	11	1,292	415	1,845
	ACRES	103	1,080	9,701	5	9,727	207	20,823
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	52	104	2	31	1,702	429	2,320
	ACRES	956	3,117	164	16	18,156	2,240	24,649
NORTHERN	FIRES	693	63	35	8	399	1,006	2,204
	ACRES	6,169	1,648	7,514	34	5,922	3,496	24,783
GB-EAST	FIRES	36	439		16	253	532	1,276
	ACRES	260	103,046		66	18,372	11,212	132,956
GB-WEST	FIRES		373	1	18	64	124	580
	ACRES		56,842	0	3	3,251	803	60,899
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1,546	114	14	77	861	1,171	3,783
	ACRES	11,009	5,371	2,933	6,068	95,259	13,618	134,258
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	374	287	30	28	661	296	1,676

EASTERN	ACRES	1,974	3,197	129	824	8,033	2,811	16,968
	FIRES	501			53	10,599	441	11,594
SOUTHERN	ACRES	9,816			340	75,933	5,996	92,085
	FIRES	8		78	50	28,002	900	29,038
TOTALS	ACRES	35		27,384	8,083	031,829	80,101	1,147,432
	FIRES	3,546	1,667	177	306	45,305	6,642	57,643
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES	ACRES	47,975	301,371	48,234	15,472	335,163	131,306	1,879,521
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								58,193
								2,524,952

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	5						5
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						6	6
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		100					100
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	0	0	0	1	3
	ACRES	5	100	0	0	0	6	111

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			0
	ACRES				4			4

NORTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						3	3
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						9	9
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	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	4	0	12	16

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational uses. Official totals may be obtained by contacting the Agencies directly.

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	14	0	2,011	62,371
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	189	361,191
ALBERTA	2	0	1,478	539,867
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	5,011	395	1,350,628
SASKATCHEWAN	6	27,339	1,139	872,582
MANITOBA	1	185	445	307,662
ONTARIO	3	2	2,040	156,309
QUEBEC	3	0	771	357,215
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	193	34,504
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	271	284
NOVA SCOTIA	0	3	327	369
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	16	66
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	90	30,481
TOTALS	29	32,540	9,365	4,073,529

RESOURCE 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	7	1	12	3	3	6			17	
CA-NORTH	2		4	1	3					1
CA-SOUTH			6		2					

NORTHERN	21		10	12	11	3			230	35
GB-EAST	41	4	26	17	29		1		313	64
GB-WEST	6	2	2	2					13	8
SOUTHWEST										
ROCKY MTN	1		2		1					
EASTERN									1	18
SOUTHERN	1	3	15	116	19			4	21	
TOTAL	79	10	77	151	49	28	1	4	595	126

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