

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1994 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Increased activity occurred in the Rocky Mountain and Western Great Basin Areas. Activity continued in the Northwest, Eastern Great Basin and Northern Rockies. One Type I Incident Management Team and 11 crews were mobilized from the Southwest to the Rocky Mountain Area.

Colonel William T. Maddox, USA, is the Task Force Commander of three Battalions and one Aviation Company assigned to the Corral Creek fire and the Idaho City Complex. Colonel Joseph Leigh, USA, is the Task Force Commander of three Battalions assigned to the 17 Mile fire, Little Wolf fire and the Kooconusa Complex.

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Kitchens, Area Commander) has been established for the Kootenai National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the following fires: Yaak-Red Dragon Complex, Cabinet Complex, Libby Complex, Trout Creek Complex, High One, Wolf II, and Kooconusa Complex's. Six CH-47 helicopters from the A/6-158th Aviation Unit are assigned.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. This complex includes the SCENERY, LEIGH CREEK, CHINA BASIN, MCKAY MTN and QUARTZ fires. Despite lower humidities and gusty west winds, all the line held. Good progress on line construction and burnout on all staffed fires.

LITTLE WOLF, Flathead NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Kohut) and the 3-11th Field Artillery Battalion, I Corps, USA, (Lt. Col. Patterson) are assigned. Star Meadows remains on evacuation alert.

YAAK-RED DRAGON COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Meuchel) and a Type II Incident Management Team (Bullis) are assigned. The 3-82nd Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division (Lt. Col. Dudley) is assigned and is scheduled for demob tomorrow. The complex now has 26 active fires, including the THUNDER HILL, 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISH FRY, FOWLER, GUNSIGHT, BURNT SHEEP, and PINK MTN. Continued cool temperatures, high humidity and calm weather conditions allowed for effective firefighting.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Lee) and the 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, (Lt. Col. Bonwit, Commander) are assigned. This complex consists of the CRIPPLE HORSE, MAXINE, 336, FOWLER, and BANFIELD fires. Winds gusting to 25 MPH were reported yesterday afternoon.

BEAR CAMP, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Cowin) is assigned. Crews continue to make good progress along all flanks of the fire. A structural protection plan for state and federal buildings along Highway 12 is in place.

ANN, Bitterroot NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Spradlin) is assigned. Planned burnout did not take occur due to red flag warning for

winds. Crews continued to prepare for burnout and strengthened lines.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Groshong) is assigned. Currently, five fires in the complex are staffed: SPRUCE, SURVEY, DRIFT, WILLARD, and WILL DO. Moderate fire activity was reported.

TROUT CREEK COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Suenram) is assigned. The major fires in this complex are: PILLICK, LOST GIRL, GOAT ROCKS and DEVIL'S DAD. East winds caused acreage gains on the Lost Girl 2, Goat Rocks and Devil's Club fires.

HIGH ONE, Kootenai NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. The complex consists of the HIGH ONE and the TWIN MEADOWS fires. Handline construction and mop-up continued. Use of helicopter bucket drops were very effective in cooling slop-overs and holding line.

POWELL COMPLEX, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. This complex includes the FREEZEOUT, FERN CREEK, SPONGE, BIG HIDDEN, HESLIP RIDGE and GOLD MEADOWS fires. Higher humidity helped keep fire activity low. Most operations were concentrated on initial attack of 18 new lightning fires on the district.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	12,315	65	UNK	1,769	47	65	10	0	9.5M	2M
LITTLE WOLF	FNF	MT	15,320	95	8/31	1,733	55	44	7	0	10.3M	8.5M
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	11,918	70	9/2	2,304	69	44	6	0	8.8M	7M
KOOCANUSA CX	KNF	MT	10,685	35	9/10	1,238	33	27	5	0	8.2M	3.4M
BEAR CAMP	CWF	ID	510	90	8/30	320	9	12	2	0	UNK	813K
ANN	BRF	MT	2,865	65	UNK	738	26	22	4	0	UNK	2.1M
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	3,500	25	UNK	569	16	5	4	0	UNK	1.7M
TROUT CREEK C	KNF	MT	1,050	51	9/12	192	5	5	2	0	UNK	494K
HIGH ONE	KNF	MT	1,406	50	8/31	202	8	0	0	0	100K	446K
PRIEST LAKE C	IPF	ID	948	100		373	13	0	4	0	UNK	2.9M
FISHER PEAK	IPF	ID	337	100		225	7	0	4	0	333K	1.2M
POWELL CMPLX	CWF	ID	12,375	4	UNK	47	1	0	0	0	UNK	606K
COOLWATER CX	NPF	ID	560	20	UNK	61	2	1	2	0	UNK	UNK

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Smith, Area Commander) has been established for the Boise National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the Idaho City Complex and the Thunderbolt and Star Gulch fires.

CORRAL CREEK, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan) and the 14th Engineer Battalion, (Lt. Col. Perrenot, Commander) are assigned. The fire continues to be very active and has now moved into the main Salmon River Drainage and French Creek. Structure protection remains in place.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is assigned. Eight structures were destroyed at the Trails End Subdivision. Structure protection remains in place at the subdivision with no additional losses expected. The fire continued to spread on all fronts, but much slower than on 8/28.

STAR GULCH, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) is

assigned. Work continued on improving the secondary dozer lines on the northeast side of the fire and containing spot fires in Thorn Creek.

BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Harbour) is assigned with a State representative (Williams) under unified command. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander) and the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade (Lt. Col. Brodstrum, Commander). Cooler temperatures and higher humidities were reported.

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Eddy) is assigned. The 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Bostic, Commander) is assigned. The complex consists of the BANNOCK, BEAR RIVER, RABBIT CREEK and NORTH FORK fires. Acreage increase is due to burning within the perimeter and acreage not reported from the previous day. A major burnout operation is planned for today. The 20th Engineer Battalion has been released and demob is in progress.

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Denton) is assigned. The 4th Battalion, 227 Aviation Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Myles, Commander) is providing helicopter support. An inversion reduced fire behavior and good progress was made in constructing line on the slopover east of Johnson Creek.

PIONEER COMPLEX, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is assigned. The complex consists of the PIONEER CREEK, NORTON RIDGE, NORTON LAKE and NORTON LAKE II fires. Three additional fires were added to the team managing the Pioneer fire. The new fires added 120 acres to the complex. The initial attack crew on the Norton Lake fire was pulled off the line due to erratic fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	76,990	45	UNK	1,223	37	19	7	0	UNK	10.9M
CHICKEN CMPLX	PAF	ID	45,500	5	UNK	848	28	46	5	13	UNK	1.6M
STAR GULCH	BOF	ID	30,570	80	9/3	809	23	28	8	3	UNK	5.2M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	46,730	50	UNK	1,006	27	29	7	0	UNK	20M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	88,000	62	9/7	1,568	38	41	7	0	116M	29.8M
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	12,700	15	UNK	770	20	22	7	0	UNK	9M
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	8,048	75	UNK	179	4	1	5	0	50K	1.4M
INDIAN PT	BOF	ID	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Northwest Area Large Fires:

FREEZEOUT, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bailey) is assigned. The fire burned out of Hells Canyon and is now 2 miles from Hat Point Viewpoint. The fire is located 25 miles from Enterprise, OR.

LITTLE MALHEUR COMPLEX, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Andrade) is assigned. This complex consists of the JACKSON and POWDER fires. High winds and low humidity are causing spotting up to a 1/2 mile.

JORDON SPRINGS, Malheur NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gilpin) is assigned. This fire is located approximately 20 miles northeast of Burns, OR.

TWIN LAKES, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) is assigned. The fire is 12 miles north of Halfway, OR. burning in a heavy spruce bug kill area, subalpine fir and mixed conifer. Three campgrounds have been evacuated. Two forest roads have been closed, including the Hells Canyon Scenic Byway.

THOMASON COMPLEX, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Duke) is assigned. This complex is comprised of the GREENWOOD BUTTE, VANCE DRAW, HOLLOW LOG COW CAMP and CAYUSE fires. The fires are burning in grass and scattered timber. Area residents are on alert for possible evacuations.

SHARP, Umatilla NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lukens) is assigned. The fire is located 26 miles north of Prairie City, OR. Cool temperatures and efficient work has allowed operations to get a good start on containment. Burnout operations are in progress along constructed line.

HATCHERY COMPLEX, Wenatchee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. Mop-up, patrol and rehab continues.

POTATOE FLAT, Ochoco NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lindsey) is assigned. The fire is burning in ponderosa pine with grass understory.

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FREEZEOUT	WWF	OR	4,000	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
L. MALHEUR CX	MAF	OR	10,100	20	9/1	218	2	14	2	UNK	UNK	UNK
JORDON SPRNGS	MAF	OR	2,000	5	9/2	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
TWIN LAKES	WWF	OR	4,000	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
THOMASON CMPX	WWF	OR	5,100	0	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK
SHARP	UMF	OR	170	30	UNK	148	5	0	0	0	UNK	UNK
HATCHERY CPX	WEF	WA	43,463	97	8/31	222	7	4	3	19	UNK	22.9M
HULL MTN.	ORS	OR	8,000	100		1,530	49	566	3	6	UNK	4.5M
POTATOE FLAT	OCF	OR	150	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK

South Zone - California Large Fires:

BIG CREEK, Sierra NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) is committed. Mop-up is occurring on the perimeter.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
BIG CREEK	SNF	CA	4,700	95	8/30	2,012	67	103	9	0	UNK	5.3M

North Zone - California Large Fires:

SUGARFOOT, Mendocino NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Jansen) is committed. Falling snags caused two separate injuries yesterday.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	ESTS LOSS	EST COST
SUGARFOOT	MNF	CA	2,600	95	8/30	833	31	55	8	0	UNK	708K

Rocky Mountain Area Large Fires:

ROW, Grand Teton NP. A Type I Incident Management Team (Shaw) has been ordered. The fire has destroyed the Pfeiffer Homestead which consisted of 4 historic buildings. Residents at Showdow Mtn, Teton Science School and the Aspen Ridge Ranch have been evacuated. The fire has burned onto the adjacent Bridger-Teton NF.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	ESTS	EST
	GTP	WY		CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
ROW			2,000	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK	UNK

Western Great Basin Large Fires:

PORPHYRY, Winnemucca District, BLM. Strong winds caused the fire to spread rapidly.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	ESTS	EST
	WID	NV		CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
PORPHYRY			2,500	0	UNK	133	5	10	1	0	UNK	UNK

Outlook: An upper ridge of high pressure will build into the Pacific Northwest and the Great Basin bringing warmer and drier conditions with possible isolated thunderstorms in south-central Oregon. A canadian cold front will slide southward through eastern Montana and eastern Wyoming bringing cooler temperatures and scattered showers or thundershowers. Western Montana will have isolated mountain showers. Isolated mountain thunderstorms will develop this afternoon over southern and eastern Utah. California will be sunny except for morning fog and low clouds along the coast. Large fires will continue to burn actively in Idaho and eastern Oregon.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			1				1
NORTHWEST	2	3		3	4	67	79
CA-NORTHERN		1				0	1
CA-SOUTHERN					33	1	34
NORTHERN	10	1		5	12	49	77
GB-EASTERN		11			1	14	26
GB-WESTERN		2					2
SOUTHWEST				2		17	19
ROCKY MTN		4		3		3	10
EASTERN							*
SOUTHERN					6		6
USA	12	22	1	13	56	151	255

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			84				84
NORTHWEST	1	30		2	1,003	15,722	16,758

CA-NORTHERN		100				400	500
CA-SOUTHERN					163	0	163
NORTHERN	70	4		0	4	683	761
GB-EASTERN		41			0	173	214
GB-WESTERN		2,510					2,510
SOUTHWEST				0		4	4
ROCKY MTN		2		600		11	613
EASTERN							*
SOUTHERN						14	14
USA	2	2,687	84	602	1,184	16,993	21,621

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA		3								
NORTHWEST	29	71	21	126	13	7	9	4	306	1,223
CA-NORTHERN	36	24	30	28	4	4	2		100	218
CA-SOUTHERN	31	29	33	70	5	5	7	2	207	118
NORTHERN	#265	39	189	37	#70	3			#2,106	194
GB-EASTERN	#159	17	#126	72	#39	8			#1,232	#504
GB-WESTERN		5	10			1	2		4	
SOUTHWEST	2		9		2					
ROCKY MTN	5		46		5				59	
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	527	188	464	333	138	28	20	6	4,014	2,257

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

\* No reports received.

#Includes military

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	62	76	51	15	361	7	572
NORTHWEST	395	262	11	131	1,854	1,730	4,383
CA-NORTHERN	94	41	3	55		801	994
CA-SOUTHERN		100		24	2,777	602	3,503
NORTHERN	342	44		61	1,404	2,327	4,178
GB-EASTERN	85	705		36	408	1,185	2,419
GB-WESTERN		477		1	83	167	728
SOUTHWEST	1,471	379	17	219	1,627	2,549	6,262
ROCKY MTN	669	692		85	569	657	2,672
EASTERN	324			53	9,635	498	10,510
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,383	661	21,161
USA	3,444	2,776	116	761	39,101	11,184	57,382
5 YEAR AVERAGE							55,027

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,419	48,324	78,768	12,830	43,253	2	229,596
NORTHWEST	65,438	84,830	7,918	4,221	32,791	244,147	439,345
CA-NORTHERN	136	2,845	8,042	4,505		89,113	104,641
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	45,428	67,688	139,188
NORTHERN	6,124	3,711		9,857	28,798	49,038	97,528
GB-EASTERN	1,444	218,413		46	75,339	326,955	622,197
GB-WESTERN		191,194			4,416	14,161	209,771
SOUTHWEST	31,719	119,857	7,683	24,030	215,972	152,154	551,415
ROCKY MTN	21,721	36,365		757	10,841	9,669	79,353
EASTERN	16,399			940	87,345	6,371	111,055
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,677	37,416	453,667
USA	189,412	731,596	118,210	60,964	940,860	996,714	3,037,756
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,189,079

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	21	175	3,645	25,480
YUKON TERRITORY			251	234,689
ALBERTA	2	1	714	28,230
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	3	24,469	599	2,427,900
SASKATCHEWAN	1	1	538	525,449
MANITOBA			474	446,924
ONTARIO			983	79,367
QUEBEC			427	115,893
NEWFOUNDLAND	2	2	134	110,629
NEW BRUNSWICK			298	167
NOVA SCOTIA			190	122
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			18	14
NATIONAL PARKS			144	60,713
TOTALS	29	24,648	8,415	4,054,577

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