

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2000 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL IV

CURRENT SITUATION:

Seven new large fires were reported, three in the Southern Area and four in Southern California. Crews reached containment goals on two fires in the Southern Area. Initial attack activity was moderate throughout the United States. Remnants of tropical storm Lane will produce some isolated thunderstorms in western parts of California, Oregon and Washington. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, California, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

HARRIS, Santa Barbara County Fire Department. This fire is located south of Santa Maria, CA. The fire is reported to be long and narrow due to 20-40 mph winds.

PARADISE, Angles National Forest. Two outbuildings were lost on this fire near Castaic, CA.

LYONS, Cleveland National Forest. This fire burning near Lyon's Valley has made some evacuations necessary of Barrett Honor Camp and Carveacre Estates.

YUCCA, Los Angles County Fire Department. This fire is located near Agua Dulce, CA. Two homes and two outbuildings are confirmed destroyed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE CTN	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
HARRIS	CA	SBC	400	75	9/14	300	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR
PARADISE	CA	ANF	400	75	9/14	300	NR	NR	NR	NR	2	NR	NR
YUCCA	CA	LAC	500	80	9/14	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	4	NR	NR
LYONS	CA	CNF	400	0	UNK	426	NR	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BAILLER, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is burning in grass and brush southeast of Randelett, OK. One outbuilding has been destroyed. Containment problems include high temperatures, low relative humidity and strong winds.

TICKLED PINK RANCH, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This previously contained fire is located four miles northwest of Octavia, OK. Fire escaped containment lines and poses a threat to commercial pine plantations. Rough terrain and unfavorable weather conditions are

creating control problems.

AIRPORT, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is three miles northeast of Stigler, OK, and is actively burning in grass and brush. Strong winds, record high temperatures and low relative humidity are causing control problems.

WICHITA MOUNTAIN'S COMPLEX, Wichita Mountain's National Wildlife Refuge. This complex that consists of the Crater Lake, West Cache Creek and Big-4 fires is located five miles north of Cache, OK. Poor access, high winds and low fuel moistures are creating control problems.

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BAILER	OK	OKS	400	80	9/15	16	0	8	0	1	10K	2K	
TICKLED PINK RA	OK	OKS	500	95	9/14	7	0	3	0	0	NR	10K	
AIRPORT	OK	OKS	200	80	UNK	3	0	1	0	0	NR	1K	
WICHITA MOUNTAI	OK	WMR	3412	90	UNK	41	0	10	0	0	NR	NR	
PALMER	OK	OKS	250	100	---	12	0	9	0	0	0	5K	
3 B FIRE COMMAN	FL	FLS	800	100	---	1	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR	

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

VALLEY COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) is assigned. These fires are seven miles south of Darby, MT. The complex consists of the Bear, Taylor, Taylor Spot, Hilltop, Razor, Fat and Mink fires. Fire behavior is still at a low level with little fire spread. Demobilization of resources continues.

SKALKAHO COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This group of fires is ten miles southeast of Hamilton, MT. Minimal fire activity was observed during aerial reconnaissance.

MIDDLE FORK COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Swope) is assigned. These fires are 30 miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. The complex consists of the Falls Creek, Cougar Creek, Coyote Springs, Medicine Lake, Skalkaho Pass, Lick Creek and Cooper Creek fires. Crews are making good progress with completion of direct fireline, mopup and securing existing containment lines. Rehabilitation has begun in some areas along the fire perimeter.

MUSSIGBROD COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Specht) is assigned. These fires are 12 miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. The complex includes the Mussigbrod and Maynard fires. A few interior hotspots were observed as rehabilitation continued on all divisions.

ALDER CREEK, Lolo National Forest. This fire is 31 miles southeast of Missoula, MT. Crews continued building direct fireline and mopup.

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VALLEY COMPLEX	MT	BRF	211370	60	9/16	331	2	12	6	227	NR	29.3M	
SKALKAHO CPLX	MT	BRF	64352	70	UNK	409	4	9	6	4	NR	9.8M	
MIDDLE FORK COM	MT	BDF	25040	75	UNK	250	6	3	3	0	NR	16.9M	
MUSSIGBROD CPLX	MT	BDF	84939	75	UNK	204	3	4	1	1	NR	11.5M	
ALDER CREEK	MT	LNF	5500	95	UNK	68	3	0	1	0	NR	1.1M	

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CLEAR CREEK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Stam) is assigned. This complex consists of the Clear Creek, Marlin Springs, Full Circle and Sisters fires. The 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, commanded by LTC Smith, is committed. Fire suppression and rehabilitation objectives are being met despite the remote access and steep terrain.

FONTENELLE, Bridger-Teton National Forest. This fire is 20 miles north of Kemmerer, WY. No new information to report.

SCF WILDERNESS, Salmon-Challis National Forest. Eleven wildland fires are currently burning within the Salmon Challis Wilderness Complex: Little Pistol, Indian Creek, Filly, Butts, Papoose, Parker, Packer Meadow, Shell Rock, Wilson Creek, Jackass and Jack Creek. Fire behavior has been of low intensity and recreation trails along Camas Creek and the Middle Fork are being reopened.

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CLEAR CREEK COM	ID	SCF	206379	83	9/30	1512	41	14	14	1	0	55.2M	
FONTENELLE	WY	BTF	14750	70	UNK	31	1	0	1	1	NR	1.5M	
SCF WILDERNESS	ID	SCF	182600	0	UNK	10	0	0	0	46	NR	423K	

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

NAVAJO MT. 1, Navajo Area Office, BIA. No new information was received.

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NAVAJO MT. 1	AZ	NAO	150	30	9/14	52	3	0	1	0	NR	NR	

OUTLOOK:

Southern Texas and the Gulf Coast states can expect high pressure to build over the region. The inland areas will be dry and there will be enough gulf moisture remaining to produce scattered thunderstorms near the coast. High temperatures will be in the 80's to 90's. Minimum relative humidity will be 35 to 45 percent inland and 50 to 60 percent along the immediate Coast. Light and variable winds will be under 10 mph.

In the West, a strong ridge will bring very warm conditions to the Great Basin and Northern Rockies. Moisture from tropical storm Lane will produce some showers and isolated thunderstorms in the western parts of California, Oregon and Washington. The southwest states will be sunny and dry.

High temperatures in the West will be in the 80's and 90's in the north to the 90's and 100's in the south. The exception to this will be the northwest coast where highs will be in the 70's.

Minimum relative humidity in the west will generally range from the teens to mid 20 percent, with some single digits in the driest areas.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES		6			6		12
	ACRES		2			2		4
CA-NORTH	FIRES	1				6	1	8
	ACRES	0			0	0		0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		1			6	3	10
	ACRES		1			13	757	771
NORTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
GB-EAST	FIRES					1	5	6
	ACRES					0	2	2
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	0				4	2	6
	ACRES	5				20	3	28
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		1			2		3
	ACRES		0			6		6
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		3		44	2	57
	ACRES	52		3262		397	7	3718
TOTAL	FIRES	9	8	3	0	69	14	103
	ACRES	57	3	3262	0	438	769	4529

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

SOUTHERN	ACRES	2947		17992	1290	84424	18490	125143
	FIRES	9		137	67	103	708	1024
	ACRES	902		61589	39926	61971	457053	621441
USA TOTALS	FIRES	96	266	512	110	313	1828	3125
	ACRES	35769	32015	123131	49948	154438	648079	1043380

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				6	7		13
	ACRES				3		780	783
NORTHERN	FIRES				2	8		10
	ACRES				388		3969	4357
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					16		16
	ACRES					6290		6290
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES				10	24		34
	ACRES				1129	125		1254
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	18	24	32	74
	ACRES	0	0	0	1520	125	11040	12685

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

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires	Hectares	Fires	Hectares
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1	0	1404	16416
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	54	7652
ALBERTA	0	0	753	14687

NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	275	200179
SASKATCHEWAN	0	5	401	120561
MANITOBA	0	0	330	83516
ONTARIO	1	0	518	6074
QUEBEC	2	0	476	28615
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	207	146414
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	292	282
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	190	458
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	20	22
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	92	7455
TOTALS	4	5	5012	632331

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews	Crews	Engs	Engs	Heli	Heli	Airt	Airt	Ovrhd	Ovrhd
	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST					1	1			9	2
CA-NORTH		4	2	9	2	1		4		5
CA-SOUTH	6	6	25	39	5	6	2		8	6
NORTHERN	19	2	25	27	14	9			270	272
GB-EAST	16	29	6	14	9	14	1		297	239
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	6		10	2	1				6	
ROCKY MTN	6	1	3	3		1				
EASTERN									9	
SOUTHERN	3		26	26	2	5			42	70
TOTAL	56	42	97	120	34	37	3	4	641	594

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