

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2000 - 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was minimal, with one new large fire reported in Texas. Continued high pressure and clear skies may increase fire danger in Texas and Oklahoma, while high cloudiness and cooler temperatures in the northwest states should lessen fire activity there. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for air tankers, radio equipment, crews and overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Wyoming, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

COUNTY ROAD 127, Texas State Forest Service. This human-caused fire is 30 miles south of Austin, TX. Cedar, mesquite, juniper and oak are the primary fuels involved. Seven structures are threatened.

GULLY SLOUGH, McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is burning on private and federal land 45 miles east of Houston, TX. The interior of the fire is still burning actively.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
COUNTY ROAD 127	TX	TXS	150	70	9/28	35	NR	NR	NR	0	NR	NR
GULLY SLOUGH	TX	MCR	600	60	9/28	NR	0	2	0	0	NR	NR

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

VALENTINE COMPLEX, Valentine National Wildlife Refuge. This complex of seven lightning-caused fires is 25 miles south of Valentine, NE. Mopup and rehabilitation continue. This will be the last report for this fire unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
VALENTINE COMPL	NE	VAR	22587	95	UNK	9	0	3	0	0	NR	132K

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

VALLEY COMPLEX, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type II Incident Management

Team (Furlong) is assigned. These fires are seven miles south of Darby, MT. The complex consists of the Blodgett, Skalkaho, Bear, Taylor, Taylor Spot, Hilltop, Razor, Fat, and Mink fires. Warmer and drier conditions are causing an increase in fire activity. Helicopter bucket drops continue on the Fat and Taylor fires. Monitoring of the uncontained portion of the fire perimeter continues. No new hotspots have been located outside the fireline.

MUSSIGBROD COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. These fires are 12 miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. The complex includes the Mussigbrod and Maynard fires. Rehabilitation operations in the fire area are continuing. This will be the last report for this fire unless significant activity occurs.

MIDDLE FORK COMPLEX, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest. 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 progress on rehabilitation projects. This will be the last report for this fire unless significant activity occurs.

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VALLEY COMPLEX	MT	BRF	292070	80	UNK	558	17	4	4	239	NR	55.8M
MUSSIGBROD CPLX	MT	BDF	84939	90	UNK	26	1	0	1	1	NR	11.5M
MIDDLE FORK COM	MT	BDF	17535	95	UNK	10	0	0	0	0	NR	17.3M

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CLEAR CREEK COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Carr) is assigned. This complex consists of the Clear Creek and Marlin Springs fires. Creeping and smoldering fire behavior with intermittent torching has been observed in the heavy fuels. Crews continue mopup operations further into the interior. Rehabilitation efforts are ongoing in areas outside the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

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CLEAR CREEK COM	ID	SCF	216961	85	9/30	619	15	8	5	1	0	68.6M

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

ARROW, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This lightning ignited wildland fire is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire, which started on 9/8, is five miles south of Hannigan Meadow, AZ. Some precipitation has been received on the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ARROW	AZ	ASF	1000	0	UNK	9	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

OUTLOOK:

High pressure will remain over Texas and Oklahoma, bringing sunny and dry conditions. High temperatures will be from the mid 70's to the mid 80's. Minimum relative humidities are forecast to be 30 to 35 percent. Winds will be north to east at 5 to 10 mph.

A weak trough will bring cooler temperatures and higher humidities to southern California, along with some local morning drizzle near the coast. Sunny conditions will dominate by afternoon. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains and along the coast, and in the 90's to lower 100's in desert areas. Minimum relative humidities will range from 20 to 35 percent. Winds will be southwest or upslope at 5 to 15 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES					7	3	10
	ACRES					7	1	8
CA-NORTH	FIRES	4				7	3	14
	ACRES	6				29	0	35
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					9	2	11
	ACRES					0	2	2
NORTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
GB-EAST	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					2		2
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						2	2
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
SOUTHERN	FIRES					23	1	24
	ACRES					267	6	273
TOTAL	FIRES	4	0	0	0	47	14	65
	ACRES	6	0	0	0	305	12	323

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	1	13	22	8	302	5	351
	ACRES	6	143076	246961	43763	317427	0	751233
NORTHWEST	FIRES	226	238	41	20	1377	960	2862
	ACRES	24039	208954	83023	10	258185	125426	699637
CA-NORTH	FIRES	190	14	5	10	2144	660	3023
	ACRES	252	142	110	1	17983	57368	75856
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	31	86	6	63	2504	803	3493
	ACRES	53	41086	98	112	27279	70191	138819
NORTHERN	FIRE	906	87	32	53	1176	1648	3902
	ACRES	38607	10054	1714	6098	207072	777239	1040784
GB-EAST	FIRES	67	1128	5	47	602	1111	2960
	ACRES	42172	497138	2393	4642	143232	816342	1505919
GB-WEST	FIRES	8	655	4	9	104	255	1035
	ACRES	2380	607518	1105	13	7186	27403	645605
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1286	288	22	88	1207	2661	5552
	ACRES	18383	60580	16091	11403	285523	143307	535287
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	622	854	22	58	887	822	3265
	ACRES	158649	109753	2053	33335	42777	114474	461041
EASTERN	FIRES	763		9	28	9641	434	10875
	ACRES	15804		499	519	82742	15856	115420
SOUTHERN	FIRES	141		92	102	41094	1284	42713
	ACRES	12070		16305	3852	815073	42539	889839
TOTALS	FIRES	4241	3363	260	486	61038	10643	80031
	ACRES	312415	1678301	370352	103748	2204479	2190145	6859440
TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES								67205
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES								3139348

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	2	2				3	7
	ACRES	19	404				430	853
CA-NORTH	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						352	352
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES					2	17	19
	ACRES					20	310	330
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0



NORTHWEST	3		22	1	6		2		32	1
CA-NORTH	1	4		5	1					2
CA-SOUTH						1				
NORTHERN	18	3	4	6	8	1			131	45
GB-EAST	15	1	14	8	7	5			131	60
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST			3		2				58	
ROCKY MTN	2	1	1		2					
EASTERN									3	
SOUTHERN	2		5	1	1				48	15
TOTAL	41	9	49	21	27	7	2	0	403	123

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