

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2001 - 0530 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Four new large fires were reported, one each in Southern California and Western Great Basin, and two in Southern Area. Five large fires were reported contained, two in Southern Area, and one each in Southern California, Eastern Great Basin and Western Great Basin Areas. Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

ARTHUR, Yellowstone National Park. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This fire is 55 miles west of Cody, WY. Evacuation of the east entrance remains in place, and the East Entrance road remains closed at the Yellowstone National Park boundary, though plans have been made for a limited reopening of the East Entrance road. Crews continue to make excellent progress in containment efforts along the northeast, east and southeast flanks and on spot fires above Canfield Creek. Direct fireline construction is progressing along the southern perimeter.

HOPPE, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Gardiner, MT. Crews began indirect fireline construction on the eastern perimeter in preparation of burnout operations. The fire is relatively inactive with some isolated torching along the eastern perimeter. This team will take over the Monitor Creek fire today. Both fires will be managed as the Hoppe Complex.

TACO, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. This fire is ten miles east of Riggins, ID. Steep rocky terrain with few anchor points, high temperatures, low relative humidity and shifting winds are hindering containment efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ARTHUR	WY	YNP	2800	40	8/11	812	18	20	14	0	3.9M
HOPPE	MT	GNF	550	80	8/10	322	10	2	5	0	1M
TACO	ID	NPF	500	3	UNK	272	10	16	11	0	361K

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

STAG, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Burdick) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is located 35 miles northeast of Elko, NV. The fire made several significant runs with active burning in isolated pockets of heavy fuels. Dozers and handcrews continue to make

progress with line construction, with assistance from air support.

DELANO, Elko Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Broyles) is assigned. This fire is burning in pinyon juniper, grass and sagebrush 20 miles southeast of Jackpot, NV. Interior runs and torching continue to hamper containment efforts. Elk, deer and sage grouse habitat are threatened.

MM367, Elko Field Office, BLM. This fire, burning in sagebrush and pinyon juniper, is 17 miles southeast of Wells, NV. The fire behavior was moderate, with smoldering and some interior torching reported.

CARRICO, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. This fire is located near Winnemucca, NV. No other information was available.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
STAG	NV	EKD	20000	70	8/11	614	22	9	4	0	497K
DELANO	NV	EKD	8828	80	8/8	295	7	33	1	0	NR
MM367	NV	EKD	660	75	8/8	228	11	4	2	0	NR
CARRICO	NV	WID	400	UNK	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
WATER CANYON	NV	ELD	2967	100	---	295	10	8	2	0	NR

ELD = Ely Field Office, BLM

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAD CREEK, Routt National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This fire is in the Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area, 11 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. The easterly flow of monsoonal moisture has increased humidity and reduced active fire behavior. Steep slopes are hampering containment efforts. Thunderstorms over the incident were reported yesterday, but no measurable precipitation was received.

DINWOODY, Shoshone National Forest. This fire is located in the Fitzpatrick Wilderness Area 22 miles south of Dubois, WY and is burning in rocky terrain with scattered pockets of timber. This fire is in a limited suppression action due to elevation, terrain and rocky unburnable boundaries. The fire continues to burnout interior pockets of timber and spot into new fuels within the containment boundary.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
MAD CREEK	CO	RTF	1270	85	8/8	79	2	0	2	0	764K
DINWOODY	WY	SHF	572	0	9/20	4	0	0	0	0	8K

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

WOLF MOUNTAIN, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is burning in brush and logging slash six miles northwest of Clayton, OK. Steep and rocky terrain are making containment efforts difficult.

COBB CREEK, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is four miles northeast of Fort Cobb, OK. Fire behavior included running in grass and brush with torching in isolated pockets of cedar trees and spotting being observed.

HILLARD ROAD, West Texas Counties. This fire, burning in cedar, oak and juniper, is 20 miles southwest of Austin, TX. Winds pushed the fire across containment lines resulting in a 30 acre spot fire, which was contained.

RANGER WEST, West Texas Counties. This fire, burning in heavy mesquite, cedar and oak, is 40 miles east of Abilene, TX. Higher humidity helped with suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
WOLF MOUNTAIN	OK	OKS	140	90	8/8	11	0	2	1	0	NR
COBB CREEK	OK	OKS	100	10	8/8	39	0	11	0	1	53K
HILLARD ROAD	TX	WTS	830	70	8/8	45	0	12	0	1	NR
RANGER WEST	TX	WTS	720	65	8/8	55	0	18	2	3	NR
MERAMAC	OK	OKS	120	100	---	3	0	3	0	0	NR
ZAFRA	OK	OKS	125	100	---	5	0	2	0	0	NR

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

INDIAN SPRINGS, Klamath-Lake District, Oregon Department of Forestry. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Keith) is assigned. This fire is 18 miles northeast of Klamath Falls, OR. Crews continue with mopup. The east perimeter continues to be a concern due to unburned fuels inside the fireline that could cause spotting. There is also concern of reburn potential along the north portion of the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
INDIAN SPRINGS	OR	98S	1624	90	UNK	1245	47	58	5	0	1.6M

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BURNT, Sequoia and Kings National Park. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is 5 miles north of Cedar Grove, CA. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$
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NAME			CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	C-T-D	
BURNT	CA	KNP	181	UNK	UNK	4	0	0	0	0	NR
CORRAL	CA	SQF	114	100	---	129	4	4	1	0	43K

SQF = Sequoia National Forest

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	C-T-D
LYDIA CANYON	UT	CCD	121	100	---	88	4	5	0	0	22K

CCD = Cedar City Field Office, BLM

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED ALONG AND EAST OF THE SIERRA NEVADA AND CASCADE CREST FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING THUNDERSTORMS WITH DRY LIGHTNING ***

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE SAN BERNARDINO AND CLEVELAND NATIONAL FORESTS, JOSHUA TREE MONUMENT, THE EASTERN MOJAVE DESERT AND DEATH VALLEY FOR DRY AFTERNOON THUNDERSTORMS ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE SIERRA NEVADA FROM STANISLAUS NATIONAL FOREST SOUTH TO THE KERN COUNTY LINE FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING DRY LIGHTNING ABOVE 5000 FEET ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN NORTHWEST AND WEST CENTRAL MONTANA FOR STRONG NORTHEAST AND EAST WINDS ***

High pressure continues to reside over northern California, with a southerly flow around the west side of the ridge which will bring some monsoonal moisture north into the northern Sierra Nevada and Cascades. Conditions will be mostly clear, with partly cloudy skies over the eastern mountains and isolated afternoon thunderstorms along and east of the Sierra Crest with a slight chance over the coastal range. High temperatures will be in the mid 80's in the mountains, and mid 90's to 106 in the inland valleys. Minimum relative humidity will range around 10 percent inland. Winds will be light and variable with up canyon winds in the afternoon at 2 to 6 mph.

High pressure centered to the east will spread some monsoonal moisture north across southern California. Conditions will be mostly sunny with partly cloudy skies and isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon over the Sierra Nevada, extreme southern mountains and deserts. High temperatures will be in the 90's to 105 in the inland valleys, and 105 to 115 in the deserts and southern inland valleys. Minimum relative humidity will range from 8 to 15 percent inland, and winds will be southeast to southwest at 7 to 15 mph in the afternoon.

An upper level trough and associated dry cold front will move through central Montana resulting in strong northeast and east winds, as well as isolated showers and thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's, except 75 to 85 north. Minimum relative humidity will range from 35 percent north to 15 percent south. Winds will be north to east at 15 to 25 mph and gusty in western Montana.

A southeast flow around a strong high pressure will bring isolated dry thunderstorms to Nevada during the afternoon and early evening hours, otherwise clear conditions are expected. High temperatures will be 78 to 100, and 110 to 118 south. Minimum relative humidity will range from 9 to 22 percent. Winds will be variable at 5 to 15 mph, except for the southern portion of the state which will be south at 5 to 15 mph.

The upper level ridge will weaken as a cold front sweeps across Wyoming and South Dakota and a southeasterly flow continues to move monsoonal moisture into Colorado. This will bring thunderstorms to Wyoming and South Dakota. Colorado will have scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms with heavy rain possible with some of the storms, otherwise partly cloudy through the area. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, and 80 to lower 90's at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidity will range from 20 to 35 percent. Winds will be north at 10 to 20 mph in Wyoming and South Dakota, and variable at 5 to 15 mph in Colorado.

Warm, dry high pressure dominates the Pacific Northwest. Southerly flow aloft will bring enough moisture northward for an increasing possibility of thunderstorms to extreme southern Oregon Cascades. Temperatures will be in the 80's to 90's. Humidity will range 20 to 25 percent in western Washington and Northwest Oregon. 5 to 15 percent humidity is expected for southern Oregon. Winds will be variable 8 to 18 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES						0
ALASKA	ACRES						0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1				4	5
NORTHWEST	ACRES	1345				3	1348
CA-NORTH	FIRES				18	5	23
CA-NORTH	ACRES				11	0	11
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1		2	22	8	33
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	0		0	14	116	130
NORTHERN	FIRES				2	6	8
NORTHERN	ACRES				0	228	228
GB-EAST	FIRES	13			5	6	24
GB-EAST	ACRES	147			100	2	249
GB-WEST	FIRES	1	6		1	1	9
GB-WEST	ACRES	2	5324		100	0	5426
SOUTHWEST	FIRES		4			16	20
SOUTHWEST	ACRES		26			4	30
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		10		12	6	28
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		9		5	77	91

EASTERN	FIRES						2	2
EASTERN	ACRES						2	2
SOUTHERN	FIRES					25		25
SOUTHERN	ACRES					509		509
TOTAL	FIRES	2	34	0	2	85	54	177
TOTAL	ACRES	2	6851	0	0	739	432	8024

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	15	2	298	3	322
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1611	5842	210138	3263	221939
NORTHWEST	FIRES	193	209	22	27	1074	768	2293
NORTHWEST	ACRES	9223	68070	3486	7	24281	11544	116611
CA-NORTH	FIRES	105	25	3	20	2063	723	2939
CA-NORTH	ACRES	178	1282	4368	5	34746	7756	48335
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	34	66	16	46	1448	451	2061
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	24	1351	1263	284	13125	17717	33764
NORTHERN	FIRES	662	26	13	26	472	394	1593
NORTHERN	ACRES	7823	3927	386	2803	10972	1977	27888
GB-EAST	FIRES	51	646		38	453	567	1755
GB-EAST	ACRES	755	78894		879	101451	10900	192879
GB-WEST	FIRES	11	339	2	13	87	127	579
GB-WEST	ACRES	8933	88922	1	104	36555	12172	146687
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1114	154	15	35	663	1429	3410
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	5324	5043	4478	1074	26387	20220	62526
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	303	448	28	39	340	445	1603
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	1995	8897	300	170	9637	7252	28251
EASTERN	FIRES	330		10	47	9788	425	10600
EASTERN	ACRES	14854		18	496	39665	5464	60497
SOUTHERN	FIRES	26		58	1081	22782	663	24610
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4354		19298	37329	606357	18606	685944
TOTALS	FIRES	2831	1915	182	1374	39468	5995	51765
TOTALS	ACRES	53463	257471	35209	48993	1113314	116871	1625321

TEN YEAR AVERAGE FIRES 56,691
TEN YEAR AVERAGE ACRES 2,334,493

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0

CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					1		1
SOUTHWEST	ACRES					2		2
ROCKY MTN	FIRES			0				0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES			20				20
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					2		2
SOUTHERN	ACRES					63		63
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	20	0	0	65	85

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	17	66	9			314	406
NORTHWEST	ACRES	4356	4801	7194			50057	66408
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	6	5	1		41	73
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	100	615	10		9512	10499
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2	3	2		41	48
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		12	208	174		5498	5892
NORTHERN	FIRES	18	7	83		44	301	453
NORTHERN	ACRES	1723	5840	10548		4309	29881	52301
GB-EAST	FIRES		7	4	3	9	40	63
GB-EAST	ACRES		817	1890	177	1490	8876	13250
GB-WEST	FIRES		5		1		2	8
GB-WEST	ACRES		804		0		182	986
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	13	26	11		2	191	243
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2202	21197	35634		500	58403	117936
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	19	91	3	2	50	167
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2500	4392	13602	303	762	26747	48306
EASTERN	FIRES	10		68	10	320	126	534
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17861	1355	43868	16085	87810
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		182	13	145	880	1227
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		53257	30099	87919	702058	874051
TOTAL	FIRES	87	139	457	33	525	1987	3228
TOTAL	ACRES	20402	37968	141554	32118	139297	908380	1279719

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		1	3
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				28		8	36
CA-SOUTH	ACRES				316		30	346
NORTHERN	FIRES				7		11	18
NORTHERN	ACRES				0		28	28
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES		17					17
GB-WEST	ACRES		1161					1161
SOUTHWEST	FIRES				2		21	23
SOUTHWEST	ACRES				1104		7185	8289
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		15	1	2		9	27
ROCKY MTN	ACRES		2810	48	934		603	4395
EASTERN	FIRES							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	32	1	41	0	50	124
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	3971	48	2355	0	7847	14221

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	821	2722
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	62	16283
ALBERTA	0	0	765	151650
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	123	89025
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	609	170579
MANITOBA	0	0	427	71076
ONTARIO	0	0	848	10028
QUEBEC	0	0	686	21303
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	129	396
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	305	378
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	287	232
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	11	22
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	61	7679
TOTALS	0	0	5134	541373

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	33	13	29	4	4			19	131
CA-NORTH					2					
CA-SOUTH	15		16		4				15	3
NORTHERN	42	5	17	50	23	12	2		306	138
GB-EAST	14	5	31	11	4	3			103	11
GB-WEST	33	18	37	56	9	3	2		125	26
SOUTHWEST	5		6		1	1			21	
ROCKY MTN	19	2	22	23	5	2			194	102
EASTERN	2		4	6					15	4
SOUTHERN	1		3	45		3			1	110
TOTAL	138	63	149	220	52	28	4	0	799	525

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