

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2003 – 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Nationally 112 new fires were reported. Five new large fires were reported, one each in the Rocky Mountain, Southern and Southern California Areas and two in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, North Dakota, Utah and Wyoming.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

ROBLAR 2, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Domanski) is assigned. This fire is in six foot tall chaparral, six miles west of Fallbrook, CA. Significant spread occurred along the southwest and northeast flanks during periods of extreme fire behavior.

GRAND PRIX, San Bernardino Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDF). A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dietrich) is assigned. This fire is in heavy chaparral, two miles west of Mira Loma, CA. Extreme fire behavior with torching and spotting was observed within the perimeter.

PASS, Riverside Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDF). This fire is in chaparral and grass, three miles northwest of Moreno Valley, CA. Rapid rates of spread and uphill runs were observed. Evacuations were in progress in the Pigeon Pass area.

PARADISE 2, Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park. This wildland fire, previously reported as part of the Kaweah-Kern Complex, is in mixed conifer and chaparral, seven miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Fire activity and spread on the north and east flanks continue. Spotting from roll-out along ridge tops and in drainages was reported.

ALBANITA/HOOKER, Sequoia National Forest. This Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is burning in mixed conifer and chaparral ten miles north-northwest of Kennedy Meadows, CA. Backing fire with occasional short runs and small group torching was reported. This will be the last narrative unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ROBLAR 2	CA	MCP	2,085	5	10/24	493	11	39	5	0	775K
GRAND PRIX	CA	BDU	1,958	15	10/30	688	31	15	11	0	300K
PASS	CA	RRU	2,387	40	10/23	696	19	86	4	26	1.1M
PARADISE 2	CA	KNP	1,186	90	11/15	103	3	0	2	0	1.3M
ALBANITA/HOOKER-WFU	CA	SQF	2,650	N/A	N/A	43	1	1	1	0	70K
KAWEAH-KERN COMPLEX – WFU	CA	KNP	10,643	N/A	N/A	6	0	0	0	0	741K

### **EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:**

HILL CITY BLUES 2, Southern Idaho Dispatch, Private, County and Local. This fire is in small stands of aspen, fir and brush, 20 miles east of Fairfield, ID. Wind-driven fire activity was reported.

BEE, Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is in grass and brush, 15 miles northwest of Soda Springs, ID. Moderate to extreme fire behavior was observed.

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HILL CITY BLUES 2	ID	SIX	1,800	35	10/23	108	0	18	1	0	NR
BEE	ID	IFD	1,150	80	10/23	40	0	8	0	0	NR

### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:**

TWENTY FOUR, Standing Rock Reservation, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is in tall grass and sage brush, six miles southwest of Fort Yates, ND. Multiple blow-ups throughout the day were observed.

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TWENTY FOUR	ND	SRA	2,500	80	UNK	76	0	28	0	0	40K

### **SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:**

TABOR FIRE, Texas Forest Service. This fire is in tall grass and a pine plantation, 30 miles north/northeast of Longview, TX. Rough terrain with ravines and gullies hampered suppression efforts.

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TABOR FIRE	TX	TXS	150	90	10/23	25	0	5	0	0	NR

## OUTLOOK:

**Fire Weather Watches:** For low humidity and windy conditions beginning tonight through Saturday for southern Humboldt County, the greater Bay Area, the Sacramento Valley and surrounding foothills and slopes.

**Weather Discussion:** A strong cold front will move through the Northern Rockies and northern half of the Great Basin. Offshore flow will develop in the wake of the frontal passage over northern California. Elsewhere, an upper trough moving off the East coast will bring a dry northwest flow to much of the central and southern states. Some precipitation will be noted over the Great Lakes and Northeast.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny with a few high clouds.	65 to 75 coastal areas. 75 to 85 mountains. 85 to 95 valleys. 85 to 95 upper desert. 95 to 105 low desert.	10 to 20% desert. 10 to 20% mountains. 15 to 30% valleys. 40 to 60% coast.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Variable high cloudiness.	Mostly 60s and 70s with some lower 80s.	10 to 24%	Northwest to northeast 5 to 15 mph with areas of gusts to 20 mph developing in the afternoon. Wind increasing tonight in many areas to 10 to 20 mph with gusts 30 to 40 mph.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

Topic of Choice

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2		4				6
	ACRES	0		4				4
Northern California	FIRES	3				8	1	12
	ACRES	1				2	0	3
Southern California	FIRES					19	3	22
	ACRES					1,502	16	1,518
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					2	6	8
	ACRES					3	5	8
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	3	4
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES				2	13	3	18
	ACRES				2	393	40	435
Southern Area	FIRES	1				39	2	42
	ACRES	25				270	12	307
TOTAL	FIRES	6	0	4	2	82	18	112
	ACRES	26	0	4	2	2,170	73	2,275

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	15	21	11	401	14	464
	ACRES	23	40,821	283,123	3,827	247,654	2	575,450
Northwest	FIRES	304	249	11	50	1,877	1,271	3,762
	ACRES	24,276	17,921	12	1,170	50,472	294,165	388,016
Northern California	FIRES	162	72	17	19	2,960	1,243	4,473
	ACRES	242	12,633	603	6,562	81,057	38,433	139,530
Southern California	FIRES	68	137	10	76	2,808	830	3,929
	ACRES	1,656	2,933	360	1,693	38,071	9,273	53,986
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,011	71	34	85	981	1,514	3,696
	ACRES	78,041	69,435	23,280	166,669	169,388	365,933	872,746
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	59	840	7	47	890	1,049	2,892
	ACRES	19,424	131,141	1,244	2,704	54,738	141,155	350,406
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	454	1	11	121	175	770
	ACRES	1	11,408	79	6	1,977	3,288	16,759
Southwest	FIRES	897	192	5	69	892	2,126	4,181
	ACRES	35,670	5,897	284	11,834	16,203	203,158	273,046
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	185	797	39	48	4,205	746	6,020
	ACRES	18,714	17,319	1,963	783	70,776	58,359	167,914
Eastern Area	FIRES	949		67	37	10,266	507	11,826
	ACRES	52,562		6,890	708	115,624	5,713	181,497
Southern Area	FIRES	154		46	13	12,352	355	12,920
	ACRES	21,866		12,130	783	194,006	8,971	237,756
TOTAL	FIRES	3,799	2,827	258	466	37,753	9,830	54,933
	ACRES	252,475	309,508	329,968	196,739	1,039,966	1,128,450	3,257,106

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>74,252</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,328,733</b>

\*\*\*Changes in some agency YTD agency acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments\*\*\*

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES			9			16	25
	ACRES			582			2,063	2,645
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						70	70
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		15				262	277
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						40	40
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	45						45
Eastern Area	FIRES			3		1		4
	ACRES			3,152		12		3,164
Southern Area	FIRES			1	1		3	5
	ACRES			60	622		2,444	3,126
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	13	1	1	23	40
	ACRES	45	15	3,794	622	12	4,879	9,367

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	28	102	24	3		286	443
	ACRES	5,351	25,575	5,835	123		40,074	76,958
Northern California	FIRES	2	7	112	19		135	275
	ACRES	31	267	21,734	2,513		10,918	35,463
Southern California	FIRES		2	5	9		170	186
	ACRES		27	698	3,335		13,675	17,735
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	10	96	4	42	402	566
	ACRES	502	6,972	15,325	760	2,441	28,031	54,031
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	33	7		14	51	106
	ACRES	18	33,756	409		2,358	18,837	55,378
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7		3		1	11
	ACRES		1,120		2,084		230	3,434
Southwest	FIRES	23	35	19	9	3	337	426
	ACRES	4,148	26,946	39,373	7,583	12	57,287	135,349
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	30	34	101	9	18	221	413
	ACRES	1,777	27,349	13,820	9,592	1,715	20,615	74,868
Eastern Area	FIRES	24		342	16	514	224	1,120
	ACRES	10,580		69,271	1,823	84,650	27,556	193,880
Southern Area	FIRES	53		275	104	16,007	1,258	17,697
	ACRES	19,379		96,341	84,421	827,577	945,813	1,973,531
TOTAL	FIRES	173	230	981	176	16,604	3,085	21,249
	ACRES	41,786	122,012	262,806	112,234	920,308	1,163,036	2,622,182

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			42,800				42,800
Northwest	FIRES				9		3	12
	ACRES				3,544		251	3,795
Northern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2	2
Southern California	FIRES	2			52		55	109
	ACRES	0			8,901		23,166	32,067
Northern Rockies	FIRES	8			3		74	85
	ACRES	42			602		56,807	57,451
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				6		33	39
	ACRES				435		15,465	15,900
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				10		19	29
	ACRES				3,555		159,608	163,163
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		26		2		3	31
	ACRES		1,646		0		1,869	3,515
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				10			10
	ACRES				2,715			2,715
TOTAL	FIRES	10	32	1	92	0	192	327
	ACRES	42	1,648	42,800	19,752	0	257,168	321,410

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**RESOURCES 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	1		7			1			18	
Northern California			1							
Southern California	26	49	43	114	23	7	1		186	104
Northern Rockies	2		2						5	
Eastern Great Basin		2	27	5	3	1			44	
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain			13	15						
Eastern Area					2					
Southern Area				5						2
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>106</b>

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