

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2004 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Northern California Area and light elsewhere. Nationally, 210 fires were reported. Two new large fires were reported, one in the Northwest and one in the Eastern Great Basin Areas. Three large fires were contained, two in the Alaska and one in the Southern California Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in alpine tundra and black spruce. Precipitation continues to moderate fire behavior. Smoldering and creeping fire continues in the duff layers.

TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Big Creek, and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. The Billy Creek fire became active in the afternoon. Cloud cover and scattered precipitation moderated fire behavior over the Porcupine fire.

CENTRAL COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Furlong/Gormley) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Middle Birch Creek, Preacher Creek, Rock Creek, Crazy, Bolgen Creek, Big Bluff, Wolf Creek and Takoma Bluff fires, is 15 miles southwest of Circle, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Creeping, smoldering and occasional individual tree torching was observed. Structure protection remains in place in the communities of Central and Circle Hot Springs.

CHICKEN, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Goheen) is assigned. This fire is 50 miles northeast of Tok, AK in timber, hardwoods and grass. Minimal creeping and smoldering within the fire perimeter were reported. Structure protection remains in place in the community of Chicken.

WOLF CREEK, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 60 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and hardwoods. No further information was received.

CAMP CREEK, Delta Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 23 miles northwest of Delta Junction, AK in tundra and spruce. Fire behavior was moderate due to cooler weather. The fire continues to creep and smolder with single trees torching in some areas.

PINGO, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is five miles north of the village of Venetie, AK in black spruce, hardwoods and tundra. Fire behavior was moderate with occasional flare-ups in heavy fuels. Smoldering and creeping were observed.

EAGLE COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A transfer of command from a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) to a Type 3 organization will occur today. This complex, comprised of the American Summit, Edwards Creek, King Creek, Kandik River, Indian Grave Creek, Deer Creek and seven additional fires, is located three miles northeast of

Eagle, AK in tundra, black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Minimal fire behavior with a few smokes was observed. This will be the last report unless there are significant changes or the complex is declared controlled.

EVANSVILLE, Tanana Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is one-half mile southeast of Bettles, AK in black spruce. This will be the last report unless there are significant changes or the complex is declared controlled.

WINTER TRAIL, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 20 miles north of Fort Yukon, AK in spruce, hardwoods and tundra. No new information was received. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

LOWER MOUTH, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is located 12 miles northwest of the village of Birch Creek, AK in white spruce, black spruce, birch and aspen. Structure protection remains in place. Creeping fire behavior was observed. The fire received moderate precipitation yesterday.

AGGIE 2, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 27 miles northwest of Fox, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Intermittent smoke on the northern and western sides of the fire was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	493,900	20	UNK	865	23	21	7	15	12.2M
TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX	AK	TAS	470,267	10	UNK	370	9	11	4	2	2.7M
CENTRAL COMPLEX	AK	UYD	248,600	0	UNK	232	5	7	2	2	1.8M
CHICKEN	AK	TAS	257,720	NR	UNK	157	3	4	1	4	1.6M
WOLF CREEK	AK	UYD	197,067	10	9/30	108	4	0	2	7	2.6M
CAMP CREEK	AK	DAS	150,223	70	8/15	113	4	1	2	3	2.3M
PINGO	AK	UYD	285,875	NR	UNK	160	7	0	2	1	NR
EAGLE COMPLEX	AK	UYD	614,974	5	UNK	139	4	2	1	0	3.7M
EVANSVILLE	AK	TAD	64,827	10	UNK	25	1	0	1	0	1.4M
WINTER TRAIL	AK	UYD	279,865	NR	UNK	18	1	0	1	0	NR
LOWER MOUTH	AK	UYD	47,000	NR	UNK	12	0	0	1	1	NR
AGGIE 2	AK	FAS	2,500	NR	UNK	76	4	0	0	0	143K
YARGER	AK	TAS	100	100	---	59	6	0	0	0	448K
NENANA RIVER	AK	FAS	200	100	---	73	4	0	0	0	205K

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

POT PEAK COMPLEX, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 2 Washington State Interagency Incident Management Team (Johnson) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Pot Peak, Graham Harbor and Pyramid fires, is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber. Minor torching and moderate fire behavior were reported with islands continuing to burn inside the perimeter.

SISI RIDGE, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. This fire is eight miles east of Stehekin, WA in timber and alpine tundra. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
POT PEAK COMPLEX	WA	OWF	13,650	68	UNK	277	4	11	5	0	10.3M
SISI RIDGE	WA	OWF	150	NR	UNK	2	0	0	0	0	NR
ICICLE	WA	OWF	778	100	---	406	9	10	5	0	2.5M

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

STRAYLOR, Lassen-Modoc Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is 20 miles southeast of Fall River Mills, CA in timber, litter and understory. The fire continued to burn actively with limited spotting.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
STRAYLOR	CA	LMU	2,614	70	7/26	1,551	49	91	12	0	2.7M

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

JONES, Dixie National Forest. This fire is five miles northwest of Toquerville, UT in timber and brush. Fire behavior included running, torching and spotting up to one-eighth mile. Oak Grove campground was evacuated.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
JONES	UT	DIF	379	NR	UNK	11	0	4	0	0	NR

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

MEADOW COMPLEX, Yosemite National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located four miles southeast of Yosemite Valley, CA in timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives and consists of the Meadow, Jay, River, and several other small fires. The Meadow fire reported smoldering until the inversion lifted when isolated torching, spotting and surface fire with slow rates of spread was observed. Other fires in the complex reported minimal fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MEADOW COMPLEX – WFU	CA	YNP	4,540	N/A	11/1	83	0	0	1	0	1.5M
PELICAN	CA	LUR	1,500	100	---	55	2	2	0	0	NR

LUR = San Luis National Wildlife Refuge

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

NUTTALL COMPLEX, Coronado National Forest. This complex, located 15 miles southwest of Safford, AZ in brush and heavy timber, consists of the Clark, Nuttall and Gibson fires. Light precipitation was reported over the fire. Some creeping and smoldering fire behavior was observed in the Ash Creek drainage.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
NUTTALL COMPLEX	AZ	CNF	29,400	98	7/25	32	1	0	1	1	10.3M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

UNIT 5-03-4W, Sabine National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is 12 miles south of Hackberry, LA in tall grass. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
UNIT 5-03-4W	LA	SBR	2,000	95	7/25	21	0	3	1	0	NR

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SECTION 33 WFU, Voyageurs National Park. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 25 miles southeast of International Falls, MN in balsam, spruce and pine, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Backing fire with creeping and occasional torching was reported. The Cruiser Lake trail system has been closed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SECTION 33-WFU	MN	VOP	220	N/A	N/A	5	0	0	0	0	NR

Red Flag Warning: Low relative humidity and poor humidity recovery in Oregon.

Weather Discussion: High pressure over the Pacific Northwest will shift east as a trough approaches the coast. Thunderstorms are expected east of the Cascades into western Montana as well as over the Great Basin, Rocky Mountains and Southwest. Hotter weather expected over Southern California as high pressure builds over the area. In Alaska, high pressure will continue over the west with some moisture lingering over the eastern interior.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
ALASKA AREA Central and Eastern Interior: Partly cloudy. Isolated afternoon showers or thunderstorms.	Central & Eastern Interior: 70s to lower 80s.	Central & Eastern Interior: 27 to 40%.	Central & Eastern Interior: southwest 5 to 15 mph.

<p>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas. Otherwise mostly sunny, except becoming partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms over the Southern California mountains and deserts east of Cajon Pass in the afternoon.</p>	<p>75 to 85 coastal areas. 85 to 100 mountains. 95 to 105 valleys. 95 to 105 upper deserts. 105 to 115 lower deserts.</p>	<p>12 to 25% valleys. 10 to 20% mountains. 10 to 20% deserts.</p>	<p>Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p>NORTHWEST AREA Cooler west side but continued hot on the east side. Scattered thundershowers possible over eastern Oregon.</p>	<p>70 and 80s western Washington. 90s in southwest Oregon. East of the Cascades: 90s to over 100 warmest valleys.</p>	<p>West of Cascades: 30 to 50% north. 20 to 30% southwest Oregon. East of Cascades: Generally 5 to 15%. Poor overnight recoveries ridgetops and higher terrain.</p>	<p>Generally becoming west 5 to 15 mph over the Cascades and on the eastern slopes by afternoon. A bit stronger through the Columbia River Gorge.</p>
<p>ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Scattered showers and afternoon thunderstorms across southern Colorado with isolated afternoon thunderstorms over northern Colorado.</p>	<p>Highs 70s to 80s. 60s and 70s mountains. Near 90 western Colorado.</p>	<p>15 to 20% over western Colorado and most of Wyoming.</p>	<p>Easterly 5 to 18 mph in the east. Variable 5 to 15 mph in the west.</p>
<p>SOUTHWEST AREA Partly cloudy in Arizona with widely scattered thunderstorms east. Mostly cloudy in New Mexico and west Texas with scattered showers and thunderstorms.</p>	<p>Upper 60s to 80s mountains of New Mexico and west Texas. 90s to near 105 in Arizona deserts and lowlands.</p>	<p>10 to 20% northwest Arizona. 20 to 40% remainder of Arizona. 30 to 50% New Mexico and west Texas.</p>	<p>Northwest 5 to 15 mph northwest Arizona and northwest New Mexico. East to south 5 to 20 mph remainder of Arizona, New Mexico and also west Texas.</p>
<p>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Isolated to scattered thunderstorms north; some may be dry. Sunny south.</p>	<p>92 to 102 North Valleys. 95 to 105 South Valleys. 77 to 93 Mountains.</p>	<p>South: 5 to 12%. North: 7 to 17%. Mountains: 15 to 27%.</p>	<p>North: Southwest to northwest at 10 mph with gusts to 25 mph. South: Southwest to west at 10 mph with gusts to 20 mph.</p>
<p>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Isolated afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms near the Oregon border. Otherwise, sunny with fog at the coast.</p>	<p>60s and 70s coast. 80s and 90s higher terrain. 90s to 105 inland valleys.</p>	<p>12 to 20% east of the Cascade-Sierra crest. 15 to 25% other inland areas. 50% or more coastal areas.</p>	<p>Southeast-southwest 6 to 12 mph with local gusts to 20 mph.</p>



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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0		1		1
	ACRES		165	61,510		8,087		69,762
Northwest	FIRES	1	8	1		10	4	24
	ACRES	1	4	1		2	1,387	1,395
Northern California	FIRES	1				9	12	22
	ACRES	5				2,116	6	2,127
Southern California	FIRES		0			16	10	26
	ACRES		105			3	3	111
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				2	4	9
	ACRES	2				0	1	3
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		12		3	2	11	28
	ACRES		1		1	15	55	72
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5			2	0	7
	ACRES		2			0	80	82
Southwest	FIRES	9	7		2	8	39	65
	ACRES	4	2		1	2	10	19
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		14			1	2	17
	ACRES		1			0	0	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					4	4	8
	ACRES					1	12	13
Southern Area	FIRES			3				3
	ACRES			656				656
TOTAL	FIRES	14	46	4	5	55	86	210
	ACRES	12	280	62,167	2	10,226	1,554	74,241

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	54	61	20	342	8	490
	ACRES	6,065	1,038,368	838,708	29,386	2,075,915	1	3,988,443
Northwest	FIRES	241	135	25	26	968	442	1,837
	ACRES	6,112	1,965	175	45	6,784	14,113	29,194
Northern California	FIRES	75	28	8	20	1,602	601	2,334
	ACRES	96	417	17	2	8,744	1,821	11,097
Southern California	FIRES	34	64	18	37	1,925	426	2,504
	ACRES	667	5,057	1,796	28	55,036	5,792	68,376
Northern Rockies	FIRES	824	35	18	12	507	328	1,724
	ACRES	4,253	1,344	1,061	3	9,944	3,445	20,050
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	21	436	6	28	271	342	1,104
	ACRES	70	25,320	11	34	4,265	2,167	31,867
Western Great Basin	FIRES	7	351	2	6	46	70	482
	ACRES	152	15,195	1,056	0	6,028	4,370	26,801
Southwest	FIRES	546	108	2	57	583	1,132	2,428
	ACRES	4,944	4,854	1	513	6,377	277,319	294,008
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	220	314	32	27	304	280	1,177
	ACRES	3,626	3,867	1,168	30	20,389	4,279	33,359
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		47	28	6,119	416	7,099
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	109	54,167	5,556	67,261
Southern Area	FIRES	127		53	42	22,648	557	23,427
	ACRES	15,795		7,230	1,067	289,182	73,172	386,446
TOTAL	FIRES	2,589	1,525	272	303	35,315	4,602	44,606
	ACRES	46,874	1,096,387	853,558	31,217	2,536,831	392,035	4,956,902

Ten Year Average Fires	50,901
Ten Year Average Acres	2,113,556

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		400					400
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						115	115
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	400	0	0	0	115	515

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	43	1		255	415
	ACRES	7,626	6,823	3,781	30		58,229	76,489
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	12	17		183	265
	ACRES	251	731	13,570	2,690		22,617	39,859
Southern California	FIRES		4	10	10		76	100
	ACRES		28	922	718		6,213	7,881
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	356	523
	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,419	63,549
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	21	3	3	17	48	93
	ACRES	149	4,568	547	1,102	1,490	16,754	24,610
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	5			5	15
	ACRES		85	541			971	1,597
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	7	10		278	322
	ACRES	2,796	4,821	12,769	7,777		66,152	94,315
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	39	137	18	12	113	361
	ACRES	5,117	11,851	21,434	13,264	3,947	45,672	101,285
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		360	23	612	180	1,195
	ACRES	14,454		40,374	4,443	59,439	27,991	146,701
Southern Area	FIRES	51		139	72	393	1,098	1,753
	ACRES	8,503		58,470	65,852	212,745	992,783	1,338,353
TOTAL	FIRES	217	207	790	157	1,084	2,592	5,047
	ACRES	40,781	31,538	164,910	96,922	282,784	1,279,801	1,896,736

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				52,221			52,221
Northwest	FIRES				2		6	8
	ACRES				1		156	157
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				5		2	7
	ACRES				4,309		222	4,531
Northern Rockies	FIRES				6		28	34
	ACRES				0		15	15
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						9	9
	ACRES						5	5
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4		2			6
	ACRES		342		0			342
Southwest	FIRES				4		18	22
	ACRES				127		8,988	9,115
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		19		1	0	4	24
	ACRES		6,720		0	2,271	612	9,603
Eastern Area	FIRES			9	1		1	11
	ACRES			436	175		1	612
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	0	23	9	24	0	71	127
	ACRES	0	7,062	436	59,840	2,271	9,999	79,608

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	7	0	1,323	147,265
Yukon Territory	2	27,382	216	1,293,961
Alberta	8	3,142	1,352	21,956
Northwest Territory	3	1,113	196	75,116
Saskatchewan	13	0	245	65,452
Manitoba	5	118	171	3,536
Ontario	1	3	225	1,426
Quebec	2	0	216	1,901
Newfoundland	1	0	113	8,375
New Brunswick	0	0	216	280
Nova Scotia	0	0	210	225
Prince Edward Island	0	0	18	15
National Parks	2	6,401	68	106,777
Total	44	38,160	4,569	1,726,286

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	49	27	12	34	12	11			494	390
Northwest	18	4	16	25	16	6			218	132
Northern California	18	45	39	78	7	9			30	189
Southern California	12	4	20	5	4				84	11
Northern Rockies					1					
Eastern Great Basin			27	7	4				7	
Western Great Basin	6	3	2		1	2			24	27
Southwest	2	1			1				2	
Rocky Mountain			15	2	4				4	2
Eastern Area									7	1
Southern Area			3			1			10	
Total	105	84	134	151	50	29	0	0	880	752

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