

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2005 – 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 4**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 183 fires reported. One new large fire was reported and contained in the Southern California Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington.

A Presidential Disaster Declaration was issued for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas. Three Area Command Teams are assigned (Williams-Rhodes, Zimmerman and Rounsaville). A fourth Area Command Team (Ribar) has been ordered to replace Williams-Rhodes' Team.

Williams-Rhodes' Team is providing Incident Management Team coordination in FEMA Region IV at the Regional Response Coordination Center in Atlanta, GA. Zimmerman's Team is assigned to the Louisiana Emergency Operations Center in Baton Rouge, LA and is coordinating relief operations in Louisiana. Rounsaville's Team is in San Antonio, TX, and will be coordinating relief operations for Hurricane Rita in Texas. Both Zimmerman's and Rounsaville's Teams are coordinating the activities of Incident Management Teams in FEMA Region VI. The Marietta Mobilization Center in Georgia continues to house and in-brief Incident Management Teams and other resources prior to assignment throughout the South.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

HURRICANE KATRINA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Emergency Support Function 4 at the Regional Response Coordination Center in Atlanta, GA, and state Emergency Operations Centers in Jackson, MS, Baton Rouge, LA and Austin, TX are staffed.

Five Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Pincha-Tulley, Gelobter, Krugman, Anderson, Wilcock) are assigned.

Pincha-Tulley: A transfer of command to a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Allen Johnson) will occur today. The Team is operating a base camp at Stennis Space Center, MS, and managing five points of distribution in Hancock County.

Gelobter: Is providing logistical support to FEMA Branches I and II, and public school recovery projects. A new camp for emergency workers is being established at Vancleave, MS. A Logistics Management Team (O'Brien) will replace Gelobter's Type 1 Incident Management Team.

Krugman: Is providing support to emergency responders, the military and city workers at the Jackson Support Base in the New Orleans French Quarter and at several satellite camps in and around New Orleans and southern Louisiana. Approximately 7,000 personnel continue to be supported at these facilities.

Anderson: Under unified command with New Orleans, New York City and Illinois fire departments, is providing fire and emergency response to the City of New Orleans. Radio repeater systems on high rise buildings are back in service.

Wilcock: Is assessing hazard fuel mitigation and fire suppression needs for counties and adjoining areas in southeast Mississippi. The Team is also establishing a satellite staging area for suppression resources at Wiggins, MS.

Seven Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Smith, Thomas, Paul, Furlong/Gormley, West, Johnson and Houseman) are assigned. Two additional Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Cowin and Dave Johnson) have been ordered.

Smith: Is managing receiving and distribution operations at Purvis, Shelby and Forrest Camps in Mississippi. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cowin) has been ordered for a planned transfer of command.

Thomas: Is managing a base camp and supporting more than 1,100 military and civilian first responders at the Naval Construction Battalion Center at Gulfport, MS. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dave Johnson) has been ordered for a planned transfer of command.

Paul: Is supporting the Louisiana Interagency Emergency Support Base camp and St. Gabriel Mortuary Support Camp at St. Gabriel and Baton Rouge, LA.

Furlong/Gormley: Is managing the distribution of relief supplies at Camp Beauregard near Pineville, LA. Supply distribution is continuing to affected areas.

West: Is providing logistical and planning support to the FEMA Incident Support Team (IST), and is managing a staging area and supporting emergency response and military personnel at Saints Support Base in New Orleans.

Allen Johnson: A transfer of command from a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Pincha-Tulley) to Johnson's Type 2 Incident Management Team will occur today. The Team is assigned at Stennis Space Center, MS.

Houseman: The North Carolina State Team is being assigned to Hammond, LA, to work with the state of Louisiana to implement a fire mitigation plan. The Team will also support base camp operations at Hammond.

Two Logistics Management Teams (LMT) (Floyd and Hayes) are assigned. The Teams are operating mobilization centers and trailer staging areas in Bossier City, LA, and Texarkana, AR. Two National Park Service All Risk Teams have been assigned to various areas to assist with hurricane recovery. Three U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service teams are engaged in road clearing, community assistance, and supporting search and rescue operations in Louisiana and Texas.

HURRICANE RITA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Regional Response Coordination Center (RRCC) in Austin, TX, is staffed with Emergency Support Function 4 (ESF4) personnel. A Planning Section Team is in place at the RRCC.

Five Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Oltrogge, Sandman Lohrey, Bennett and Sexton) are assigned. A sixth Type 1 Incident Management Team (Custer) has been ordered, and will be assigned to Beaumont, TX.

Oltrogge: The Team is assigned at Lufkin, TX, operating a receiving and distribution center and base camp. The Team is working with and supporting Texas State Forest Service personnel.

Sandman: Is managing base camp operations and long term support at several facilities in San Antonio, TX. The Team continues to provide assistance to the City of San Antonio in their mission to support and assist current hurricane evacuees. The camp continues to receive new evacuees.

Lohrey: Is assigned at Beaumont TX. The Team is supporting numerous point of distribution centers and two Emergency Operations Centers in Beaumont and Port Arthur. A base camp at Ford Park Arena is being developed.

Bennett: Is relocating to Beaumont, TX, pending assignment.

Sexton: The Team is assigned to Lake Charles, LA. The Team, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania National Guard, is supporting the Lake Charles Regional Staging Area (RSA) and points of distribution sites in Sulphur, Moss Bluff, and Lake Charles, LA.

Six Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Sinclear, Quesinberry, Saleen, Larsen, Rogers and Stanford) are assigned.

Sinclear: The Team is operating a receiving and distribution center at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX.

Quesinberry: The Team is awaiting assignment at Lufkin, TX.

Saleen: Is being assigned to Jennings, LA, to establish a receiving and distribution center. A 1,000 person camp is being set up at Jennings Airport.

Larsen: Is being assigned to Lafayette, LA, to establish a receiving and distribution center.

Rogers: Is in place at the Astrodome in Houston to establish a base camp and receiving and distribution center, and supporting emergency personnel.

Stanford: The Texas State Incident Management Team has relocated to Texas to support Hurricane Rita recovery operations.

CLINCH MOUNTAIN, Tennessee Division of Forestry. This fire is 15 miles northeast of Knoxville, TN in hardwood litter. No further information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
CLINCH MOUNTAIN	TN	TNS	560	85	UNK	6	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

WOOLEY, Klamath National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Cones) is assigned. This timber fire is in the Marble Mountain Wilderness, 12 miles northeast of Somes Bar, CA. The fire is being managed under a confinement strategy. Cultural sites, fish and spotted owl habitat remain threatened. Inaccessible, steep terrain and heavy fuels continue to hamper containment efforts. Increased fire activity with isolated torching and spotting was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
WOOLEY	CA	KNF	1,800	0	11/1	57	1	0	3	0	231K	FS

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

VALLEY ROAD, Sawtooth National Forest. This fire started on private land seven miles south and east of Stanley, ID in timber. Numerous spot fires continue to occur along the north end of the fire. The fire received precipitation.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
VALLEY ROAD	ID	STF	40,868	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	3	NR	PRI

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
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MMU – Merced-Mariposa Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A cut-off low pressure center will remain over the southern portion of the Great Basin and Arizona. Showers and thunderstorms will be focused mainly over the Four-Corners region. Dry off-shore winds will develop over northwest California and southwest Oregon. Conditions will turn windy and cooler today over the Rockies extending down into Texas.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Eastern Great Basin Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly sunny. Northern Utah: Partly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms in the Uintas Mountains. Southern Utah, Arizona strip: Partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mountains: 55 to 70. Valleys: 68 to 78. Northern Utah: Mountains: 58 to 68. Valleys: 68 to 78. Southern Utah, Arizona strip: Mountains: 60 to 75. Valleys: 75 to 88.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mountains: 30% to 45%. Valleys: 20% to 30%. Northern Utah: Mountains: 30% to 45%. Valleys: 20% to 30%. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Mountains: 30% to 45%. Valleys: 20% to 30%.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Upslope/upvalley 3 to 8 mph. Northern Utah: Upslope/upvalley 3 to 8 mph. Southern Utah, AZ strip: Northeast 5 to 15 mph.
Western Great Basin Partly to mostly sunny with lingering showers and thunderstorms across parts of southeastern Nevada.	North valleys: 70 to 85. South valleys: 80 to 95. Mountains: 65 to 80.	North Valleys: 18% to 36% South Valleys: 13% to 23%. Mountains: 18 % to 41%.	North to northeast at 5 to 15 mph.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Rocky Mountain Dry in the north. Scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms in the south and in the eastern plains.	60s to lower 70s. 50s to mid 60s in the mountains.	Relative humidity around 25% in northwest Colorado and southwest Wyoming, Otherwise, 30% to 45%.	North 15 to 30 mph in the eastern plains. Otherwise, variable 5 to 15 mph.
Northern Rockies Mostly sunny and mild.	West of divide: 73 to 82. East of divide: 61 to 72. North Dakota: 53 to 58.	West of divide: 20% to 35%. East of divide: 20% to 36%. North Dakota: 37% to 41%.	West of divide: West 5 to 15 mph. East of divide: Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph. North Dakota: West 5 to 15 mph.
Southern California Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers.	Mountains: 70 to 85. Valleys: 85 to 98. Upper deserts: 85 to 95. Lower deserts: 95 to 105.	10% to 20%.	Northeast 10 to 20 mph.



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FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	2			3	3	9
	ACRES	41	282			0	2	325
Northern California	FIRES					13	27	40
	ACRES					1	372	373
Southern California	FIRES				3	24	10	37
	ACRES				1	457	1	459
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					9	0	9
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		2	1	5	9
	ACRES		5		6	0	8	19
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		4			1	2	7
	ACRES		0			0	3	3
Eastern Area	FIRES					4	1	5
	ACRES					1	1	2
Southern Area	FIRES					73		73
	ACRES					942		942
TOTAL	FIRES	1	7	0	5	120	50	183
	ACRES	41	287	0	7	1,410	387	2,132

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	4	96	59	16	404	28	607
	ACRES	4	1,917,880	1,633,875	3,409	849,051	337	4,404,556
Northwest	FIRES	172	231	29	35	1,280	848	2,595
	ACRES	28,073	41,696	5,797	121	73,308	99,931	248,926
Northern California	FIRES	149	30	10	15	1,857	456	2,517
	ACRES	246	24,896	14	101	25,788	6,665	57,710
Southern California	FIRES	115	113	13	53	2,346	625	3,265
	ACRES	1,283	5,925	136	73,826	33,824	8,904	123,898
Northern Rockies	FIRES	484	57	31	12	633	632	1,849
	ACRES	20,338	8,715	9,795	25	37,761	54,564	131,198
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	52	694	13	38	678	551	2,026
	ACRES	23,199	630,277	9	2,842	148,268	104,420	909,015
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	497	19	26	104	113	768
	ACRES	3,069	881,995	13,312	258	113,843	18,065	1,030,542
Southwest	FIRES	1,519	352	39	52	1,304	1,499	4,765
	ACRES	34,202	158,834	9,639	364	129,848	416,406	749,293
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	283	483	30	22	591	505	1,914
	ACRES	6,871	8,826	553	30	28,253	23,120	67,653
Eastern Area	FIRES	595		36	54	10,235	560	11,480
	ACRES	7,114		1,732	963	67,363	9,574	86,746
Southern Area	FIRES	213		180	37	20,288	526	21,244
	ACRES	26,883		42,064	2,474	263,903	14,191	349,515
TOTAL	FIRES	3,595	2,553	459	360	39,720	6,343	53,030
	ACRES	151,282	3,679,044	1,716,926	84,413	1,771,210	756,177	8,159,052

Ten Year Average Fires	68,336
Ten Year Average Acres	4,470,202

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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		1					1
	ACRES		700					700
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						3	3
Northern Rockies	FIRES			2		1	2	5
	ACRES			896		8	66	970
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		250				80	330
Western Great Basin	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				82			82
Southwest	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						934	934
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	0	1
	ACRES					325	25	350
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		3				4
	ACRES	109		41				150
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	2	5	1	2	7	18
	ACRES	109	950	937	82	333	1,109	3,520

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIRES	18	106	86	3		218	431
	ACRES	5,651	24,093	4,743	265		20,514	55,266
Northern California	FIRES	12	21	142	29		173	377
	ACRES	188	1,101	25,092	3,022		18,818	48,221
Southern California	FIRES	1	5	5	18		79	108
	ACRES	1,000	282	408	3,685		6,822	12,197
Northern Rockies	FIRES	9	29	107	3	35	302	485
	ACRES	495	3,287	23,944	22	2,495	36,983	67,226
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	29	5	7	14	56	112
	ACRES	1	9,757	1,459	42	1,474	13,139	25,872
Western Great Basin	FIRES		14	10	3		2	29
	ACRES		6,418	2,711	348		2,903	12,380
Southwest	FIRES	8	47	2	12		285	354
	ACRES	6,342	51,790	3,210	17,697		75,955	154,994
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	30	47	103	18	24	109	331
	ACRES	3,871	22,050	20,619	10,551	4,851	34,824	96,766
Eastern Area	FIRES	44		483	36	1,121	179	1,863
	ACRES	17,741		68,594	4,423	70,083	39,448	200,289
Southern Area	FIRES	34		157	58	404	1,116	1,769
	ACRES	7,180		83,558	54,868	270,630	900,702	1,316,938
TOTAL	FIRES	157	298	1,100	187	1,602	2,519	5,863
	ACRES	42,469	118,778	234,338	94,923	350,159	1,150,108	1,990,775

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			2	13			15
	ACRES			27,225	141,624			168,849
Northwest	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				2		36,750	36,752
Northern California	FIRES				2		5	7
	ACRES				1		1	2
Southern California	FIRES				13		14	27
	ACRES				8,698		2,306	11,004
Northern Rockies	FIRES				10		95	105
	ACRES				55		63,914	63,969
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2		3		96	101
	ACRES		180		166		76,977	77,323
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8		1			9
	ACRES		1		140			141
Southwest	FIRES	1			2	1	35	39
	ACRES	3,680			9,356	5	105,868	118,909
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		34		5	2	9	50
	ACRES		2,581		1	1,762	2,819	7,163
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						11	11
Southern Area	FIRES				13			13
	ACRES				3,641			3,641
TOTAL	FIRES	1	44	2	63	3	257	370
	ACRES	3,680	2,762	27,225	163,684	1,767	288,646	487,764

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES LAST WEEK	HECTARES LAST WEEK	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	17	72	935	34,954
Yukon Territory	0	0	82	187,438
Alberta	5	2	1267	60,510
Northwest Territory	1	431	260	224,526
Saskatchewan	0	0	320	213,523
Manitoba	0	0	245	72,680
Ontario	88	36	1915	42,310
Quebec	31	294	1363	833,560
Newfoundland	0	0	144	21,429
New Brunswick	1	0	304	249
Nova Scotia	17	5	292	511
Prince Edward Island	0	0	10	42
National Parks	2	0	92	36,325
Total	162	840	7,229	1,728,058

Weekly updates will be provided starting 9/7/05.

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	2	1	20		1		2			5
Northern California	8		12		5	1	4		34	
Southern California					1		4			
Northern Rockies				3					5	
Eastern Great Basin	1		16	2	2		2		20	
Western Great Basin			1							
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain	1	1	2	2			2		2	8
Eastern Area									5	
Southern Area				1			2			4
Total	12	2	51	8	9	1	16	0	66	17

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