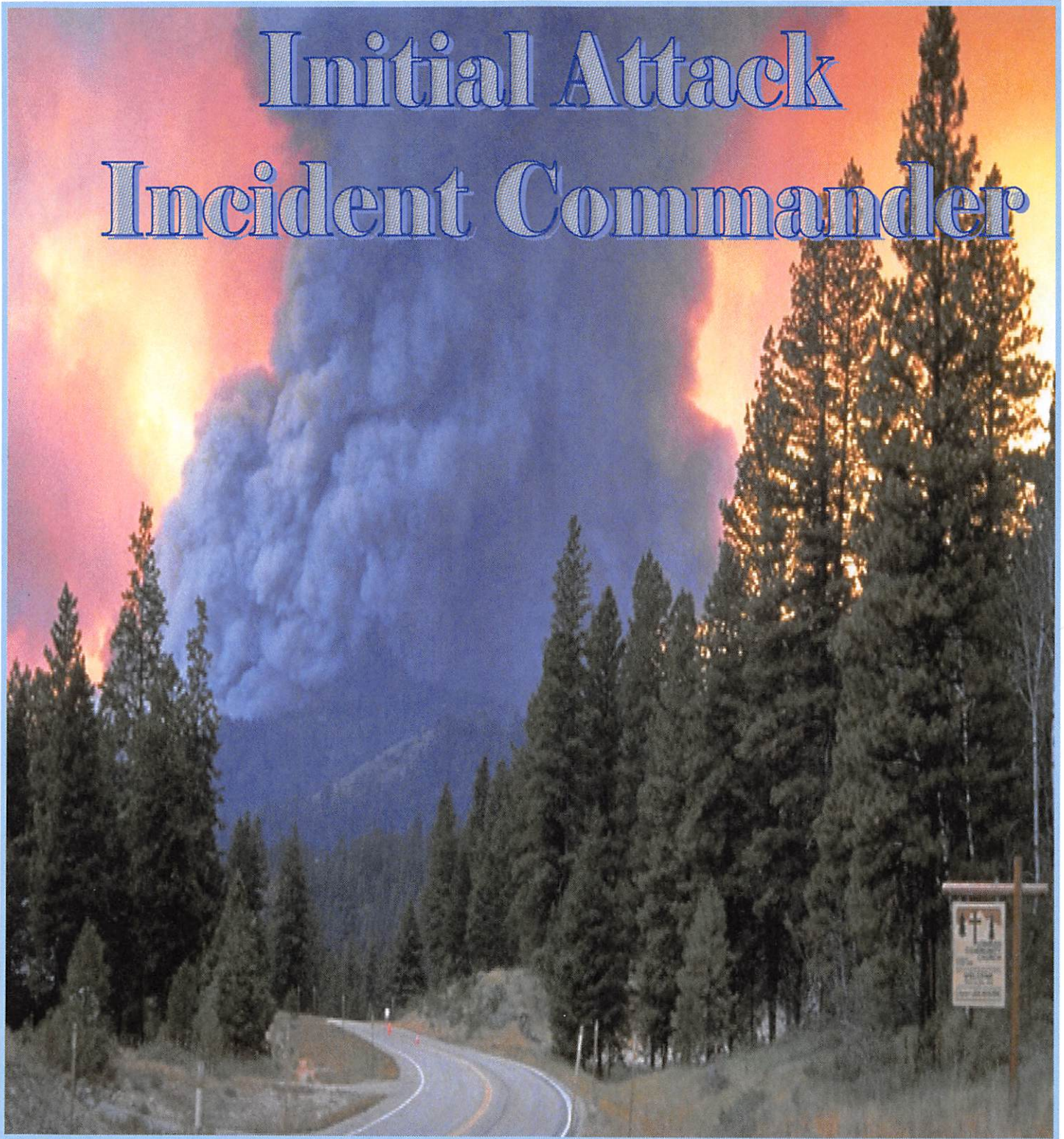


# S-200

## Initial Attack Incident Commander



**February 24-27, 2004**

# INITIAL ATTACK DATA CHECKLIST

- Location
- Ownership
- Access (and report to incoming forces)
- Size at initial attack
- Smoke column color, direction smoke is traveling and if the smoke is laid out flat on the ground or going straight up.
- Fire behavior
- Fuels - what it is burning in and where it is going
- Terrain
- Weather - current as well as predicted

- **Values at risk** - structures, livestock, watersheds, lives, equipment, etc.
- **Known Hazards**
- **Situations** that could slow the initial attack forces.
- **Resources considerations** (cultural, environmental, natural) that limit suppression activities.
- **Existing traffic** from incident area.
- **Citizens in the area**
- **How or who reported the fire** - anonymous 911, etc. (need for fire investigation)

## **SIZING UP A FIRE**

- **Hazard to firefighters**
  - **Topography**
  - **Equipment**
  - **Fuels**
  - **Snags**
  - **Changing weather**
  - **Biological**
  - **Urban Interface**
- **Rate of spread**
- **Size of fire**
- **Current and predicted weather**
- **Values at risk**
- **Fire behavior**
- **Lookouts**
- **Communications**
- **Escape Routes**
- **Safety zones**

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A SUPPRESSION STRATEGY

- Tactics (discuss local strategy & tactics)
- Resource limitations
- Resource assignments
- Support needs
- Safety information
- Size of fire (discuss how to make size estimate)
- Fuels
- Weather
- Topography
- Current and predicted weather
- Natural barriers
- Human made barriers
- Values at risk (life, property, resources)
- FIRE INTENSITY

## **BRIEFING OF RESOURCES (INCIDENT ACTION PLAN)**

- **Incident objectives**
- **Strategy**
- **Tactics**
- **Safety principles**
- **Fuels and topography**
- **Weather, current and predicted**
- **Anticipated fire behavior**
- **Minimum impact suppression tactics**
- **Radio frequencies**
- **Work assignment**
- **Suppression forces already on line**

# **PRINCIPLES THAT NEED TO BE DETERMINED BEFORE ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD.**

- **Control of resources**
- **Safety of resources**
- **Continue suppression efforts by reevaluating strategy and tactics.**
- **Establish good communications**
- **Determine values at risk in relation to suppression tactics. Make sure that your tactics are not putting the suppression forces at risk.**
- **Ensure that all resources assigned know the identity of the new IC.**

## **BRIEF AND PROVIDE COMPLETE RECORDS TO RELIEF, WHEN APPROPRIATE.**

- **Fire situation past and present**
- **Personnel on fire**
- **Equipment on fire**
- **Additional resources you have ordered and expect to receive**
- **Progress of resources**
- **Additional needs, problems and concerns**
- **Hazards and how you have corrected them**
- **Access routes**
- **Helispots**
- **Possible location for camp if needed**
- **Complete ICS Form 201 and go over with new IC**



<b>INCIDENT BRIEFING</b>	1. INCIDENT NAME <i>Devil Fish</i>	2. DATE PREPARED <i>7/6/19xx</i>	3. TIME PREPARED <i>1700</i>
	4. MAP SKETCH		
<p>The map sketch depicts a field layout. At the top, a thick black line represents a gravel road. To the left is an irregularly shaped area labeled 'Swamp Grass (wet)'. To the right is an oval labeled 'Gravel Pit'. A dashed line labeled 'Trail' connects the gravel pit to a small oval labeled 'spot'. A thick black horizontal band across the middle is labeled 'Beaver flowage'. Below the flowage is a dark, shaded area. A north arrow is on the left, and a scale bar labeled '1/4 mile' is at the bottom right.</p>			
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6. SUMMARY OF CURRENT ACTIONS

The initial attack force arrived at the fire area at 1400.

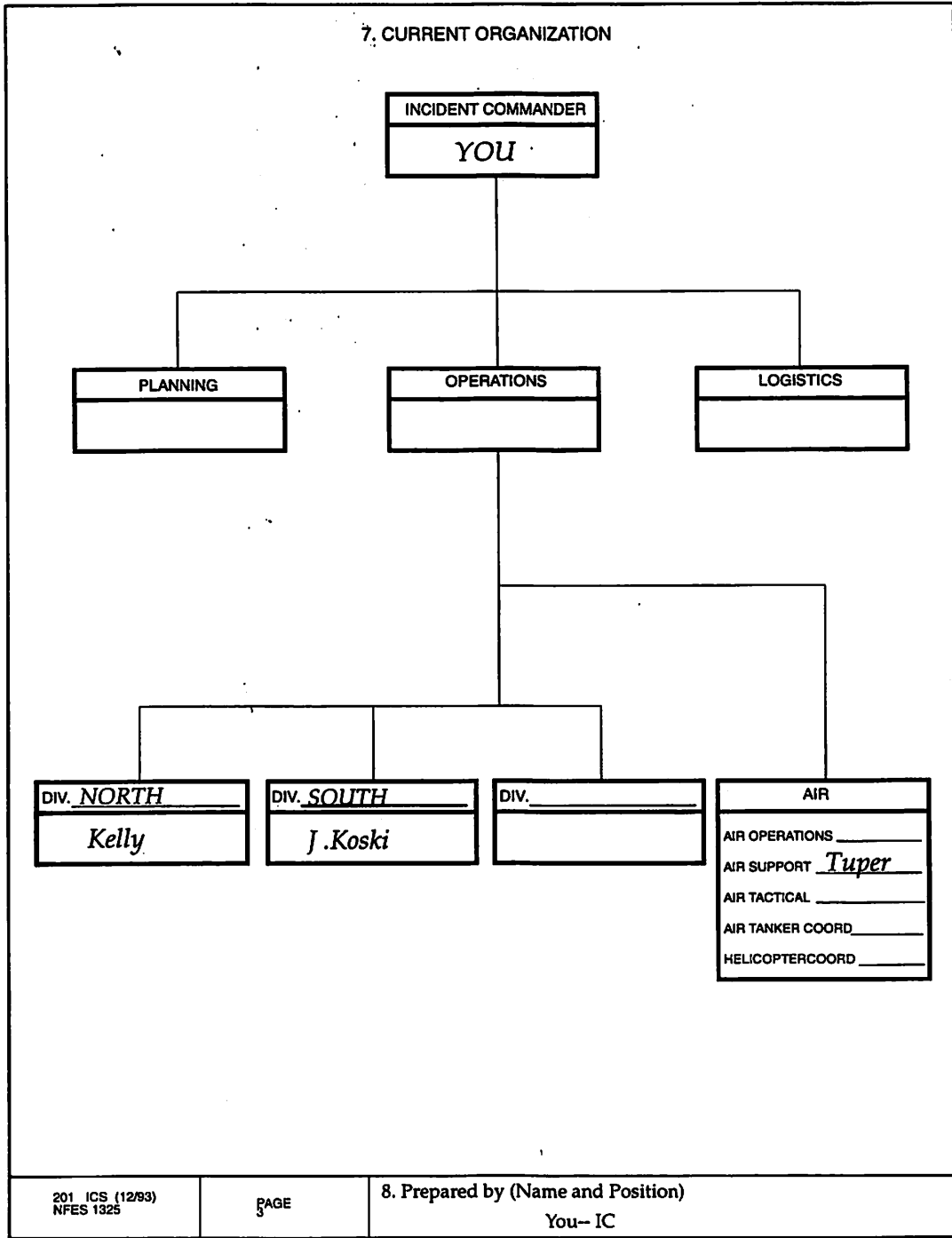
I split resources. Started both engines working pump from Devil Fish Lake. Started

6 person squad from the beaver flowage north with Mark III and hose.

Dozer began opening road to Devil Fish Lake. Helicopter working on hot spots north of fire. The fire has been crowning in bug killed balsam and spruce and spotting on open

rock knobs where moss has dried out because of drought.

7. CURRENT ORGANIZATION



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8. Prepared by (Name and Position)  
You-- IC



## **ENSURE CONTAINMENT AND SECURITY OF CONTROL LINES.**

- **Burn out fingers and islands near line.**
- **Cold trail inside fireline where appropriate.**
- **Tear up and extinguish berms and piles.**
- **Fall snags near line.**
- **Mop up inside perimeter for some distance.**
- **Use infrared heat detector if available.**
- **Patrol lines, especially through heat of the day.**

## **NON-FIRE PERSONNEL THAT IC MAY HAVE TO DEAL WITH**

- **Local landowners and users**
- **News media**
- **Cooperator fire protection and resource agencies**
- **Environmentalists**
- **Children or bystanders**
- **Aircraft traffic**
- **Land managers**

## **INFORMATION THAT MUST BE NOTED OR RECORDED DURING FIRE**

- **Individual fire report form information**
- **Personnel time**
- **Performance evaluations**
- **Equipment forms**
- **Fire trespass information**
- **Accident forms (personnel, equipment)**
- **Property loss and damage**
- **Procurement items**
- **Sensitive issues**

# **ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR USING EQUIPMENT ON A FIRE.**

## **Agency equipment**

- **Request through dispatch**
- **Complete use records**
- **Manage credit card use**
- **Complete accident report forms**
- **Complete any agency specific forms**

## **Rental equipment**

- **Request through dispatch/order number**
- **Inspect equipment**
- **Check for rental agreement and conditions**
- **Maintain use records**
- **Document accidents**
- **Document claims**
- **Evaluate**



## **Cooperator equipment**

- **Check with dispatch for agreement.**
- **Keep use records**
- **Inspect equipment**
- **Document accidents or damages**

# **INDIVIDUAL FIRE REPORT INFORMATION**

## **Items**

- **Name**
- **Number**
- **Estimated size**
- **Wind direction**
- **Fuel type**
- **Adjacent fuels**
- **Slope**
- **Times**
- **Cause**

**Special equipment needs**

**Cultural considerations**

**Environmental considerations**

# **RESPONSIBILITIES WHEN IC IS RELIEVED**

**Brief relief on actions taken.**

- **Resources on the fire**
- **Resources en route**
- **General situation**
- **Problems**

**Bring all administrative forms and records up to date.**

- **Timesheets**
- **Equipment agreements/time**
- **Evaluations**
- **Injuries**

**Notify dispatch when relieved**