



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
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**VALE MORNING SITUATION REPORT FOR: 7-8-04**

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	3	BAKER FIRE DANGER (352420-C)	E
REGIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	3	MALHEUR FIRE DANGER (353616)	V
VALE PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	2	JORDAN FIRE DANGER (353612-A)	V

**BAKER RA:**  
 No new fires.  
 Forecasted BI/ERC: 19/39

**MALHEUR RA:**  
 No new fires.  
 Forecasted BI: 66

**JORDAN RA:**  
 No new fires.  
 Forecasted BI: 58

**COMMENTS:**  
 16 SRV Crews available.  
 Type 3 Helicopter (60P) is ready for I.A. and is leaving to the Shoemaker fire for mapping for the day.  
 Type 2 Helicopter (360EH) is ready for IA.  
 1 (THSP) assigned to the GACC Support in Alaska.  
 1 (EDSD-T) assigned to the Pot Peak fire in Washington.  
 Vale IHC assigned to the Pot Peak fire in WA.  
 T-475 & AA-9GW are in Ontario ready for IA.

**WEATHER:**

**Vale Weather:**  
 Partly Cloudy. Temps 71-84 degrees. RH 14-24%. Valley winds NW 6-10 mph, Ridge winds NW 8-15 mph. Haines Index 3 (very low). LAL 1.

**Baker Weather:**  
 Partly Cloudy. Temps 72-80 degrees, except 64-72 ridges. RH 25-32%, except 32-39% ridges. Valley winds (lower slopes) NW 2-7 mph, Ridge winds (upper slopes) NW 5-9 mph. Haines Index 2 (very low). LAL 1.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**LAL (Lightning Activity Level) :** A numerical rating from the lowest of 1 to the highest of 6, keyed to the start of thunderstorms and the frequency and character of cloud-to-ground lightning forecasted or observed on a rating area during a rating period.

**Haines Index :** A national fire-weather index based on the stability and moisture content of the lower atmosphere and their direct relationship to the growth of large fires. The index is from 2-6 with 2 being the lowest potential for large fire growth while 6 is the highest large fire growth potential.