

National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

NMAC NOTES

July 17, 2025

1100-1300

Topic	Presenter(s)	Purpose
IMSR Update	Sean Peterson	Information
Predictive Services Update	Jim Wallmann /Steve Larrabee	Information
Resource Update	Sean Peterson	Information
Agency Business and Geographic Area Update	NMAC Representatives	Information
Administration	Sean Peterson	Information

Attendees:

☒ Chair: Shane McDonald	☒ Co-Chair: Chuck Russell	☐ MAC Coordinator:
☒ FWS/AK/SA: Shane McDonald	☒ USFS/EA/SW: Russ Long	☒ USFA/FEMA/NR: Aitor Bidaburu
☒ BLM/GB: Brian Achziger	☒ NASF/RM: Greg Smith	☒ NPS/CA: Chuck Russell
☒ BIA/NW: Shane Santos	☒ NICC: Sean Peterson	☒ Weather: Jim Wallmann
☒ Fuels: Steve Larrabee	☒ External Affairs: Sheri Ascherfeld	☐ IAFC: Erik Litzenberg
☒ BLM Aviation: Matt Shaddle	☐ BIA Aviation: Robert Dodgen	☒ USFS Aviation: Chris Tipton
☒ NIIC-D: Mark Hilton	☒ Cache: Marcus Medina	☐ DoD: Martha Wilkins
☒ Crews: Jeremy Sullens	☒ Smokejumpers: Ben Oakleaf	☒ Airspace: Kim Owczarzak
☒ OWF: Jessica Gardetto	☐ Rappel: Adam Kahler	☒ IR: Rachel Hansen
☐ BAER: Lou Ballard	☒ NMAC Operations: Maegan Maughan	☒ Intel: Megan Kephart
☐ CGAC: Jay Kurth	☒ Note-taker: Nicki Johnston	☒ IMTs: Travis Bailey

Additional Attendees: Jeff Walther, Brad Sawyer, Andy Snyder, Eric Fransted, Erin Phelps, Jason Moore, Kevin Conn, Jeff Lee, Perry Breitenstein, Beau Dobberstein, Justin Gilman, Mike Henry, Colton Herrera, Jan Johnson, Scott Mayer, Jason Bruce, Megan Heffentrager, Jan Johnson, Lindsey Lewis, Maj Brian West, Mike Mattfeldt, Beale Monday, Ryan Sundberg, Gordon Sahs, Tj Gagnon, Persephone Whelan, Ryan Jones

NEXT MEETING:

Friday, 18 July 2025, 1100-1300



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IMSR Update (Sean Peterson)

PL4, light IA, 95 new starts, 44 uncontained large fires, 20 CIMTs, 1 short team and 5 overhead personnel in Alberta, 2 MAFFS, 826 engines, and 17,000 personnel assigned.

North Ops: PL3, light IA, 3 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Green – CA Team 10, CA Team 3 mobilizing, active behavior, timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, 16,400 acres, 13% contained.

Orleans Complex – CA Team 1, active behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 10,052 acres, 0% contained.

Marble Complex – CA Team 9 TOC local unit today, minimal behavior, timber and brush, 746 acres, 65% contained.

Northwest: PL3, light IA, 14 uncontained large fires, 5 CIMTs.

Cram – NW Team 10, extreme behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 77,000 acres, 0% contained.

Elk – ODF Team 1, managing Hagelstein, moderate behavior, timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 2,699 acres, 44% contained.

Hagelstein – Active behavior, grass and timber, infrastructure threatened, 666 acres, 7% contained.

Grizzly Complex – ODF Team 3, minimal behavior, timber and brush, communities threatened, evacuations, 887 acres, 68% contained.

Hope – NW Team 8, moderate behavior, timber and light fuels, structures threatened, evacuations, 7,400 acres, 20% contained.

Pomas – NW Team 12, active behavior, grass and timber, 3,500 acres, 0% contained.

Columbia River Cutoff – Moderate behavior, grass, community threatened, 400 acres, 0% contained.

S Turns – Minimal behavior, grass, 352 acres, 0% contained.

South Ops: PL3, moderate IA, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Madre – CA Team 8 TOC local unit yesterday, minimal behavior, light fuels, 80,779 acres, 97% contained.

Fay – CA Team 4 mobilizing, minimal behavior, light fuels, 650 acres, 0% contained.

Dale – Extreme behavior, thick brush, structures threatened, 1,100 acres, 25% contained.

Max – Minimal behavior, light fuels, structures and infrastructure threatened, 426 acres, 50% contained.

Great Basin: PL4, light IA, 17 new starts, 7 uncontained large fires, 4 CIMTs.

Buffalo – Light fuels, 300 acres, mobilizing resources.

Rocky Knoll – Timber and brush, active behavior, 250 acres, mobilizing resources.

Monroe Canyon – GB Team 3, active behavior, timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 8,650 acres, 0% contained.

Deer Creek – GB Team 4, active behavior, timber, burning into CO, communities threatened, evacuations, 14,800 acres, 7% contained.

Forsyth – GB Team 2, moderate behavior, timber and brush, structures and infrastructure threatened, 15,682 acres, 82% contained.

Buckboard – Minimal behavior, light fuels, 1,698 acres, 50% contained.

Cornucopia – Minimal behavior, light fuels, 3,300 acres, 50% contained.

White Sage – Extreme behavior, timber and brush, communities and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 58,559 acres, 9% contained.

Gothic – Active behavior, timber and grass, structures threatened, 35,700 acres, 20% contained.



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Rocky Mountain: PL3, 5 new starts, 6 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Turner Gulch – RM Team 1, extreme behavior, light fuels, residences and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 5,700 acres, 0% contained.

Deer Creek –

Wright Draw – Minimal behavior, brush and timber, 448 acres, 0% contained.

South Rim – RM Team 3, active behavior, light fuels and timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 4,400 acres, 0% contained.

Ute 63 – BIA, CA Team 2 mobilizing, active behavior, 550 acres, 0% contained.

Alaska: PL3, light IA, received precipitation, 6 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Nenana Ridge Complex – AK Team 2, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, 33,130 acres, 11% contained.

Himalaya Road – RM Team 2, managing Aggie Creek, minimal behavior, chaparral and timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 6,100 acres, 12% contained.

Aggie Creek – Moderate behavior, chaparral and timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, 35,146 acres, 2% contained.

Southwest: PL3, limited activity, 4 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Dragon Bravo – SW Team 4, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 11,000 acres, 0% contained.

Laguna – SW Team 1, timber and brush, 4 structures confirmed lost, 15,500 acres, 44% contained.

Cabin – Moderate behavior, timber and light fuels, 1,000 acres, 0% contained.

Billy – Moderate behavior, brush and timber, structures threatened, limited perimeter growth, 1,200 acres, 0% contained.



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Predictive Services Update

Weather Summary (Andy Snyder)

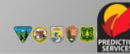
WEATHER SUMMARY

Short-term (through Saturday)

- Dry and breezy westerly winds will return to the interior Northwest and northern Great Basin today, likely bringing elevated conditions that may trend more critical on Friday, especially in the Columbia River Basin
- An upper low tracking in from Baja will bring an increase in wetter thunderstorms to the eastern Great Basin, northern parts of the Southwest and Rockies today and tomorrow as conditions dry out farther south
- Fringes of the deeper moisture in the southern Great Basin today and areas farther north Friday may continue to see dry thunderstorms and their associated hazards
- Southern California will see scattered thunderstorms today, trending more isolated on Friday, with isolated dry storms possible today in northern California and southern Oregon
- The Northern Rockies will remain mild today and tomorrow before warmer weather returns Saturday
- Monsoonal moisture will begin to decrease Saturday as much drier air returns to the Interior West

Long-term (Sunday through next Saturday)

- Breezy/dry southwesterly winds for the Great Basin Sunday, continuing Monday while expanding into Wyoming, the West Slope, and northern Arizona
- The monsoon remains weak in the Southwest through next week, with showers and thunderstorms mostly near/east of the Divide in New Mexico, although isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms possible into eastern Arizona early next week
- Cool with scattered light showers in the Northwest/northern Rockies early next week before warming/drying later in the week
- Drier in much of the Southern Area, with hot, dry, and occasionally breezy conditions on the southern Plains
- Moist, southwest flow is likely to arrive in Alaska early next week significantly curtailing fire potential



Fuels Summary (Ryan Jones)

Large established fires in the NR will persist.

NW and NOPS continue to hold ERCs in the high 90th percentiles.

Southerly portion of the GB show ERCs in the 90th percentiles though may briefly decrease before rebounding.

Grasses below 4,500 feet in the GB will remain cured.



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Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		20	
VLAT		4	
MAFFS		2	
SCOOPER		8	
AIR ATTACK		27	
LEAD ASM		15 (includes Cal Fire)	
SEAT	92	10	
HELO TYPE1	74	1	
HELO TYPE2	39	1	
HELO TYPE3	48	10	
LARGE TRANS			Jetload of IHCs back to NW from AK tomorrow.
CIMT	20	13	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	73	1	
CREW TYPE 2IA	132	2	
CREW TYPE 2	247	100	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	69		
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	39	18	
RAPPELERS			
CATERERS	19	6	
SHOWERS	34		

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	17
TANKER	2
HELO	1
AIR ATTACK	
IR	7
UAS	1
SCOOPER	
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	9 T1
ENGINES	11
OVERHEAD	79 (SEC, dispatch)
PENDING	145 OH, 14 engines, T1/T2 IA crews, 4 T2 crews, 14 helicopters



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Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: Brad will be primary for the next week.
- Great Basin: IA yesterday, tapped out prepositioned resources.

Shane McDonald (FWS, Alaska, and Southern Area)

- FWS: NTR
- Alaska: Expecting down trend in activity.
- Southern Area: Will provide feedback for surge package #1.

Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: NTR
- Northern Rockies: Making T1 and T2 IA crews available.

Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest)

- FS: Chief issued wildfire priority memo for red card personnel and fatigue.
- Eastern Area: FDNY T3 IMT rostered yesterday, will be utilized on Bear Gulch in NW with NIMO Team.
- Southwest:

Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: Northeast and Midwest states sending resources west.
- Rocky Mountain: Sending resources to Ute 63 incident.

Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: All-hazard IMT will in brief at the Grand Canyon this week.
- NOPs: Smoke cleared out yesterday, more active with aviation utilization. Orleans CIMT replacement request expected.
- SOPs: Expecting moisture relief with incoming storms. Fay evaluating CIMT needs.

Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest) – Shane Santos

- BIA: NTR
- NW: Issues filling middle management. Cram in unified command with NW Team 10 and Green team. Bear Gulch NIMO team in brief scheduled for 7/21. Pomas incident will be long duration.



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Liaison Report Out

NMAC Operations – Maegan Maughan

7 airspace coordinators supporting 8 GAs.

2 temporary towers in SOPS.

Smokejumpers set up with 10 in Medford, OR.

Filled 1 IHC for RM out of NR, 2 contract T2IA from NW to RM and GB.

IHCs available in NR tomorrow.

Jet 1 came from AK to NOPS yesterday, Jet 2 from AK to NW tomorrow, Jet 3 from AK on Sunday to NOPS/SOPS.

AK crews will be unavailable to travel to lower 48 for a while yet.

Working to fill T2 crews in pairs to verify how many crews there are available.

1 short IMT in Canada LWD 7/20.

8 CIMTs with no assignments yet.

6 CIMTs on national rotation available this week.

3 incidents TOC local units this week: Madre, Marble Complex, and Forsyth.

Green fire will TOC CA Team 3 on 7/21.

Fay fire mobilizing CA Team 4.

RM out of internal teams until 8/4.

National surge package #2 still in SOPS.

Working with national surge package #3 to complete crew swap, assigned to Cram incident.

NW planning on moving surge package toward Moses Lake.

Administrative challenges with S numbers, will continue to communicate with NICC.

NMAC Logistics – Sean Peterson

NPS working through media requests for Dragon Bravo incidents.

International – Sean Peterson

CIFFC at PL5, over 500 personnel from out of country supporting Canada.

Australia and New Zealand have several hundred personnel in Canada, may not have much capacity for US.

Aus and New Zealand will socialize the idea for a shadow IMT in US. -Sean will report back.

Administration

PL – 4 (4.68)

GACC Priority: GB, NW, AK, RM

Resource Allocation: NTR

Admin Topics

Executive Session

