

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, July 4, 2021– 0730 MDT
National Preparedness Level 4

National Fire Activity:

Initial attack activity:	Light (157 fires)
New large incidents:	9
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: ***	36
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Nationally, there are 14 fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

***Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

[Link](#) to Understanding the IMSR.

One MAFFS C-130 airtanker and support personnel each from the 152nd Airlift Wing (Nevada Air National Guard) and the 146th Airlift Wing (California Air National Guard) have been deployed to McClellan, CA to support wildland fire operations nationally.

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	6	64,227	7	7	3	240	11
NWCC	10	24,865	27	86	7	891	12
ONCC	5	44,233	86	195	39	3,308	692
OSCC	6	7,345	8	22	4	354	-70
NRCC	12	44,402	9	51	12	606	-3
GBCC	13	57,304	8	22	7	457	169
SWCC	22	505,013	27	52	16	1,253	-2
RMCC	7	26,350	11	47	7	752	-200
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	2	7,720	0	1	0	4	0
Total	83	781,459	183	483	95	7,865	609

Northern California Area (PL 4)

New fires:	26
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 1 IMTs committed	3
Type 2 IMTs committed	1

Salt, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 2). Three miles south of Lakehead, CA. Chaparral and timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, short-range spotting and backing. Several communities, numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

Lava, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 1). Four miles east of Weed, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with single tree torching and smoldering. Structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

Tenant, Klamath NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 15). Nine miles northwest of Tenant, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, single tree torching and backing. Numerous residences and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

* **Beckwourth Complex** (2 fires), Plumas NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 4) mobilizing. Includes the Sugar incident and the previously reported Dotta incident. Three miles northeast of Beckwourth, CA. Timber, brush and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and spotting. Structures and infrastructure threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Salt	CA-SHF	7,950	2,407	15	Ctn	7/15	731	445	17	59	7	41	3.5M	FS
Lava	CA-SHF	24,460	611	36	Ctn	7/12	1,370	-50	33	63	16	0	12M	FS
Tenant	CA-KNF	10,012	176	26	Ctn	7/31	782	34	22	44	7	5	5.1M	FS
* Beckwourth Complex	CA-PNF	1,141	---	0	Ctn	8/1	263	---	9	9	5	0	4M	FS

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	8
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Bottom, San Carlos Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). Seven miles west of Bylas, AZ. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures and infrastructure threatened. Road closures in effect.

Tiger, Prescott NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 3). Eleven miles east of Crown King, AZ. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, flanking and backing. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Rafael, Prescott NF, USFS. Three miles northeast of Perkinsville, AZ. Brush, short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Pinnacle, Coronado NF, USFS. Thirteen miles south of Bylas, AZ. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Water Springs, Colorado River District, BLM. Thirty-one miles northeast of Dolan Springs, AZ. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

Backbone, Coconino NF, USFS. Eleven miles west of Pine, AZ. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Horton, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, USFS. Five miles north of Hannigan, AZ. Timber and heavy slash. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Bottom	AZ-SCA	4,655	0	89	Ctn	7/12	205	-21	2	4	4	0	1.4M	BIA
Tiger	AZ-PNF	9,800	4,300	0	Ctn	7/20	159	83	4	6	2	0	161K	FS
Rafael	AZ-PNF	78,065	0	95	Ctn	7/15	113	-45	2	8	0	1	9.6M	FS
Pinnacle	AZ-CNF	34,437	0	78	Ctn	7/15	19	0	0	2	2	0	10.5M	FS
Water Springs	AZ-CRD	496	0	99	Ctn	7/7	1	-30	0	0	0	0	1M	BLM
Backbone	AZ-COF	40,855	0	96	Ctn	7/15	29	0	0	2	0	0	13.1M	FS
Horton	AZ-ASF	12,263	--	37	Ctn	7/30	243	---	6	4	2	0	4.1M	FS
Telegraph	AZ-TNF	180,757	0	100	Ctn	---	155	0	3	8	1	41	36.4M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Painted	AZ-TNF	936	0	85	Comp	7/9	46	11	1	1	3	0	75K	FS
Middle	AZ-TNF	402	52	11	Comp	7/10	35	2	1	1	0	0	17K	FS
Johnson	NM-GNF	88,918	--	24	Comp	7/23	10	---	0	0	0	0	7.4M	FS
Midway	AZ-TNF	1,005	--	0	Comp	7/20	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
Bear	AZ-ASF	23,868	--	20	Comp	7/31	34	---	1	3	1	0	180k	FS
Moore	AZ-ASF	2,500	--	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
Hobo	AZ-ASF	600	--	0	Comp	8/8	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Drummond	NM-GNF	502	--	35	Comp	8/10	4	---	0	1	0	0	1.1M	FS

TNF – Tonto NF, USFS GNF – Gila NF, USFS

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	16
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	5

Sunset Valley, The Dalles Unit, ODF. One mile southeast of The Dalles, OR. Tall grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

* **Dixie Creek**, John Day Unit, ODF. Three miles northwest of Prairie City, OR. Timber, brush and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, running and torching.

Rattlesnake, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Twelve miles northeast of Warm Springs, OR. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

S-503, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Five miles southwest of Pine Grove, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Ryegrass 0444 RS, Prineville District, BLM. Fifty miles east of Prineville, OR. Timber and brush. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Sunset Valley	OR-954S	987	0	85	Ctn	7/4	133	37	0	28	0	1	226K	ST
* Dixie Creek	OR-952S	300	---	0	Ctn	7/10	106	---	4	8	4	0	500K	ST
Rattlesnake	OR-WSA	5,479	0	65	Ctn	7/8	140	0	5	12	2	0	500K	BIA
S-503	OR-WSA	6,680	0	97	Ctn	7/5	52	0	2	4	0	0	6.2M	BIA
Ryegrass 0444RS	OR-PRD	1,102	---	50	Ctn	7/4	69	---	3	5	0	0	150K	BLM
Wrentham Market	OR-954S	7,222	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-112	0	0	0	1	588K	PRI
Upton	OR-BUD	1,500	0	100	Ctn	---	99	18	4	5	0	0	320K	BLM

BUD – Burns District, BLM

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	32
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Crooked Creek, Billings Field Office, BLM. IMT 2 (NR Team 3). IMT is also managing the Robertson Draw incident. Twenty-five miles east of Bridger, MT. Timber, short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and smoldering. Energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Robertson Draw, Custer Gallatin NF, USFS. Seven miles south of Red Lodge, MT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, single tree torching and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

* **Elkhorn**, Dakota Prairie National Grasslands, USFS. Twenty-three miles north of Medora, ND. Short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and group torching. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened.

* **Right**, Powder River County. Twenty-eight miles southeast of Broadus, MT. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Deep Creek Canyon, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. Eighteen miles east of Townsend, MT. Short grass timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Crooked Creek	MT-BID	4,141	54	72	Ctn	7/21	152	-10	2	9	8	1	5.3M	BLM
Robertson Draw	MT-CGF	29,841	3	65	Ctn	7/7	195	-62	2	11	4	30	9.6M	FS
* Elkhorn	ND-DPF	800	---	0	Ctn	7/5	58	---	0	5	0	0	200K	FS
* Right	MT-LG09	400	---	60	Ctn	7/5	42	---	0	16	0	0	38K	CNTY
Deep Creek Canyon	MT-HLF	4,648	0	98	Ctn	7/7	12	-20	0	2	0	7	5.7M	FS
Box Elder	MT-LG09	1,700	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-33	0	0	0	0	185K	PRI

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires:	20
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3

Inyo Creek, Inyo NF, USFS. Eight miles west of Lone Pine, CA. Brush, timber and hardwood slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Willow, Los Padres NF, USFS. Fifteen miles southeast of Big Sur, CA. Chaparral, brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Blue, Sierra NF, USFS. Five miles southeast of Shaver Lake, CA. Timber and chaparral. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Inyo Creek	CA-INF	592	0	97	Ctn	7/6	58	0	1	5	0	0	5.9M	FS
Willow	CA-LPF	2,877	0	90	Ctn	7/11	20	-21	0	0	1	0	8.4M	FS
Blue	CA-SNF	277	---	85	Ctn	UNK	151	---	3	11	3	0	40K	FS

Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:	25
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	6

East Fork, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, USFS. Fourteen miles south of Gardnerville, NV. Timber and brush. Extreme fire behavior with running, wind-driven runs and group torching. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

Morgan Canyon, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF, USFS. Twelve miles west of Stockton, UT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with torching, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

* **Castleford Butte**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Twenty-five miles west of Twin Falls, ID. Short grass. Active fire behavior with running. Structures threatened.

* **Inside Lakes**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Fifty-two miles southwest of Twin Falls, ID. Short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and creeping.

* **Snake John**, Northeast Area, Utah DOF. Sixteen miles southeast of Jensen, UT. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Bennion Creek, Manti-La Sal NF, USFS. Twenty-three miles northwest of Helper, UT. Brush, chaparral and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
East Fork	NV-HTF	750	185	15	Ctn	7/7	211	47	7	3	1	0	620K	FS
Morgan Canyon	UT-UWF	509	0	50	Ctn	10/31	19	0	0	0	1	0	1.6M	FS
* Castleford Butte	ID-TFD	5,412	---	0	Ctn	7/4	54	---	0	5	2	0	150K	BLM

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Total	Chge				Crw	Eng	Heli					
* Inside Lakes	ID-TFD	3,500	---	0	Ctn	7/4	27	---	0	3	0	0	50K	BLM
* Snake John	UT-NES	655	---	75	Ctn	7/4	54	---	1	7	0	0	42K	ST
Bennion Creek	UT-MLF	8,313	0	95	Ctn	7/21	10	-5	0	0	1	0	6.6M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Fritzer	ID-SCF	139	---	75	Comp	7/4	15	---	0	0	0	0	110K	FS

SCF – Salmon-Challis NF, USFS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Muddy Slide, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. IMT 2 (RM Team Blue). Twenty miles south of Steamboat Springs, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Sylvan, White River NF, USFS. Fifteen miles south of Eagle, CO. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

* **Wild Horse Creek**, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. Thirty-five miles northeast of Gilette, WY. Active fire behavior with spotting, running and torching. Structures threatened.

* **Jenne Trail**, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. Sixty-three miles south of Casper, WY. Short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and creeping. Energy infrastructure threatened.

Oil Springs, White River Field Office, BLM. Forty-two miles north of Grand Junction, CO. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Total	Chge				Crw	Eng	Heli					
Muddy Slide	WY-MRF	4,093	0	45	Ctn	7/30	306	-29	5	13	4	18	5.4M	FS
Sylvan	CO-WRF	3,792	0	65	Ctn	8/1	312	-82	4	12	2	0	5.9M	FS
* Wild Horse Creek	WY-MRF	500	---	0	Ctn	7/5	49	---	1	11	0	0	20K	FS
* Jenne Trail	WY-MRF	556	---	0	Ctn	UNK	24	---	0	10	0	0	1K	FS
Oil Springs	CO-WRD	12,613	0	97	Ctn	7/10	45	-162	1	0	1	1	4.9M	BLM

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires:	5
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0

Dry Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on Native Corporation land six miles south of Manley Hot Springs, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with spotting. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Dry Creek	AK-TAD	45,644	5,185	0	Comp	7/10	62	-3	2	0	0	0	820K	TRI
Munson Creek	AK-FAS	12,000	800	0	Comp	7/30	106	-3	3	7	3	0	216K	BIA
Noatak River	AK-GAD	12,765	---	0	Comp	7/10	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	NPS
Olsons Lake	AK-UYD	4,511	---	0	Comp	8/7	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM

FAS – Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF GAD – Galena Zone, BLM UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 0
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Red Sparrow	FL-FLS	7,700	---	95	Comp	UNK	1	---	0	1	0	0	2K	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	4	0	5
	ACRES	0	12,100	0	0	2,298	0	14,398
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	3	0	1	9	3	16
	ACRES	0	82	0	0	46	0	128
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	2	0	0	23	1	26
	ACRES	0	48	0	0	16	3,208	3,272
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	18	2	20
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	15	28
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	11	3	0	0	11	7	32
	ACRES	138	1	0	0	455	1	595
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	11	0	0	5	9	25
	ACRES	0	8,936	0	0	668	47	9,651
Southwest Area	FIREs	1	1	0	0	0	6	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	2	1	0	0	9	5	17
	ACRES	1	222	0	0	292	1,306	1,821
Eastern Area	FIREs	2	0	0	0	3	3	8
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	3	2	6
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FIRES:		16	22	0	1	82	36	157
TOTAL ACRES:		140	21,389	0	0	3,792	4,581	29,902

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	83	0	0	180	8	271
	ACRES	0	83,893	0	0	22,006	5	105,904
Northwest Area	FIREs	71	137	15	3	1,090	194	1,510
	ACRES	12,171	855	149	18	12,155	7,362	32,711
Northern California Area	FIREs	40	19	4	4	1,766	269	2,102
	ACRES	30	131	332	0	6,809	41,139	48,441
Southern California Area	FIREs	14	84	11	22	2,178	276	2,585
	ACRES	1,292	3,498	199	2,875	15,434	5,516	28,814
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	842	34	8	1	604	217	1,706
	ACRES	72,360	863	566	20	24,132	20,411	118,353
Great Basin Area	FIREs	26	329	47	11	459	172	1,044
	ACRES	2,968	40,02	8	1,637	48,450	16,794	109,884
Southwest Area	FIREs	423	130	8	16	326	628	1,531
	ACRES	23,148	81,463	1,518	3,362	22,088	460,122	591,701
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	141	128	5	10	286	139	709
	ACRES	3,142	21,576	1,256	1,114	76,391	15,311	118,791
Eastern Area	FIREs	405	0	22	13	6,450	375	7,265
	ACRES	12,352	0	13,276	560	31,574	15,745	73,507
Southern Area	FIREs	376	0	52	35	11,955	368	12,786
	ACRES	28,686	0	11,844	8,183	242,381	27,301	318,394
TOTAL FIRES:		2,338	944	172	115	25,294	2,646	31,509
TOTAL ACRES:		156,149	232,306	29,148	17,769	501,421	609,706	1,546,500

Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)	27,928
Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)	2,359,941

***Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

***Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <https://gacc.nifc.gov/>

Canadian Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO- DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	82	23,926	630	81,604
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	32	27,479
ALBERTA	17	409	664	15,385
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	38	7,686
SASKATCHEWAN	6	35,852	210	56,086
MANITOBA	3	2,883	126	292,299
ONTARIO	12	2,166	484	54,811
QUEBEC	0	822	438	11,540
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	44	278
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	144	309
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	109	193
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	0
NATIONAL PARKS	5	1	31	11,755
TOTALS	125	66,058	2,951	559,425

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: West-southwest flow aloft will continue over the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies while the Four Corners high strengthens. Isolated to scattered mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are likely across the higher terrain in the Sierra, much of the Great Basin, and Northern Rockies with the best coverage for thunderstorms across southern Montana into Wyoming and eastern Idaho. Wet thunderstorms are likely to continue in the Southwest and along and east of the Continental Divide in Colorado. Gusty Cascade Gap winds with dry and breezy conditions in southeast California are likely. Severe storms are possible from the western Great Lakes stretching southwestward to the southern High Plains. A stalled surface front brings showers and thunderstorms with heavy rain and potential flooding to the Gulf Coast into central Texas.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>

July 4, 2021 – Day 5 Understanding Group Dynamics

Thirtymile Fire – July 10th, After the Shelter Deployment

(Watch *Learning from the Thirtymile Fire* video <https://youtu.be/4NFbBC2oqR0>, from 1:19:00 minutes to end)

When it appeared safe, and there was communication with air attack, everyone from the road exited their shelters. After 15 minutes, moving to the sandbar they joined the crew member in the river. One of the squad bosses radioed for help, saying they were not in a condition to self-extricate. The Interagency Hotshot Crew (IHC) that had already organized for a rescue operation had to make two attempts to access the entrapment site due to heat and fallen snags. Upon arrival, the IHC Superintendent assumed control of the incident until local law enforcement arrived.

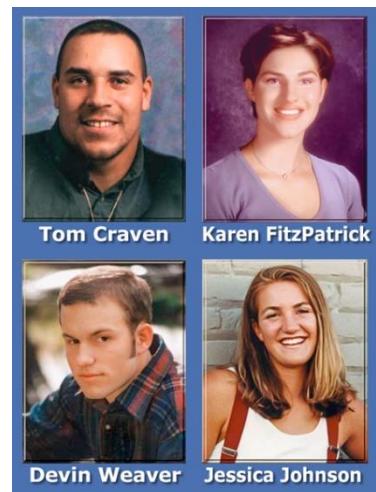
The crew member who didn't have gloves was found in shock with second and third degree burns on his hands. Others had minor burns and smoke inhalation issues.

The four remaining crew members in the rock scree were still unaccounted for. The IHC was unable to access the area where the shelters were deployed due to heat, burning material, and rolling rocks. They attempted to make vocal contact—but received no response.

It was later determined that four firefighters—Tom Craven, Karen FitzPatrick, Jessica Johnson, and Devin Weaver—died during the burnover.

To this point we've focused on what happened. Now, take a moment and learn about who it happened to. Each of them were wildland firefighters doing their job, just like you. You have heard the stories of some of the survivors. Here is a chance to learn about those who were lost,

https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fsbdev3_053406.pdf.



Organizational Learning

Following these tragic events, the Thirtymile Accident Prevention Action Plan, https://www.fs.fed.us/t-d/lessons/documents/Thirtymile_Reports/30mile_actionplan%5B1%5D.pdf, was created. One of its action items addresses the early development of what we now know as the Leadership Curriculum: The curriculum must specifically address how group dynamics influence situation awareness, communications, group judgments, decision-making, and responsibility for individual personal actions.

Have we succeeded in addressing these topics in our training?

Discussion Questions

Use events described above and your experience to answer:

- ❖ What are the group dynamics on your crew, team, or group? Consider conducting this Crew Cohesion Assessment, <https://www.nwcq.gov/sites/default/files/wfldp/docs/crew-cohesion-assessment.pdf>.
- ❖ How do group dynamics influence situation awareness?
- ❖ How do group dynamics influence communications?
- ❖ How do group dynamics influence decision-making?