

# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

## NMAC NOTES

June 27, 2025

1000-1200

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:

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### NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 30 June 2025, 1000-1200



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## IMSR Update (Sean Peterson)

PL3, light IA, 26 uncontained large fires, 7 CIMTs, 5,855 personnel assigned.  
3 short IMTs, crews, 93 personnel assigned to Canada.

**Northwest:** PL2, light IA, 1 uncontained large fire.

Pomas – NW Team 7 mobilizing, active behavior, heavy slash, 1,600 acres, 0% contained.

Upper Applegate – 100% contained.

**Northern Rockies:** PL2, light IA, 1 uncontained large fire, 1 CIMT.

Jericho Mountain – NR Team 6, no perimeter growth, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 500 acres, 15% contained.

Old Greer – Timber, 80 acres, local T3 IMT.

**Great Basin:** PL3, 7 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Forsyth – GB Team 7, active behavior, timber, community threatened, evacuations, 10,000 acres, 8% contained.

France Canyon – GB Team 5, active behavior, timber, community threatened, 32,000 acres, 15% contained.

Conner – T3 IMT TOC T4 IMT, minimal behavior, timber and light fuels, habitat threatened, 17,700 acres, 96% contained.

Horse – Moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 2,450 acres, 44% contained.

**Southern Area:** PL1, few fires continuing in FL.

**Rocky Mountain:** PL2, light IA, 2 uncontained large fires.

Hilltop – County, brush and juniper, 375 acres, 5% contained.

Horse Draw – Extreme behavior, light fuels, 800 acres, 0% contained.

**Alaska:** PL4, 2 new starts, 15 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Himalaya Road – SW Team 3, managing Aggie Creek, minimal behavior, timber, residences threatened, 3,400 acres, 0% contained.

Aggie Creek – Minimal behavior, timber, residences threatened, 3,100 acres, 0% contained.

Bear Creek – AK Team 1, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 26,200 acres, 0% contained.

Saint George Creek – Minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, 11,500 acres, 0% contained.

Ptarmigan Complex – 4 fires, minimal behavior, timber, residences threatened, 13,500 acres, 0% contained.

**Southwest:** PL3, light IA, 3 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Trout – SW Team 4, minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, received precipitation, 47,121 acres, 69% contained.

Desert Willow Complex – Minimal behavior, timber, 237 acres, 55% contained.

Seven Springs – BIA, received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, 800 acres, 92% contained.

Bridge Creek – no perimeter growth, 2,278 acres, 0% completed.



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## Predictive Services Update

### Weather Summary (Jim Wallmann)

## WEATHER SUMMARY

#### Short-term (through Tuesday)

- Periods of breezy westerly winds through tomorrow in the Upper Snake River Plain to central Wyoming creating areas of elevated conditions
- A warming trend in much of the West, with temperatures likely to be 10-20°F above normal for the northwestern US Monday and Tuesday
- An upper-level low will bring increasing mixed wet/dry thunderstorms to northern California, the Inland Northwest, northern Great Basin, and northern Rockies for a notable increase in fire activity, including areas of high-risk significant fire potential
- The monsoon wanes in New Mexico, with very dry conditions persisting in the Greater Four Corners, with isolated thunderstorms Tuesday likely to increase initial attack
- Periods of precipitation in much of the East, with gradual relief in Florida, but the Carolina coast and central Texas will remain dry
- A slow warming and drying trend in Alaska through the weekend, with a more pronounced warming trend possible next week focused on the western half of the Interior

#### Long-term (Wednesday through next Sunday)

- An increase in the monsoon is likely, with relief most likely for eastern Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado east of the Divide
- Areas to the north and west in the eastern Great Basin and West Slope may see brief relief or an increase in activity depending on the strength/location of the moisture plume
- Above normal temperatures to persist in the northwestern US with isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms into Friday, but potential diminishing returns
- Drier conditions are likely to persist for central Texas and the Carolina coast



### Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

AK forecasted indices will sustain current levels or increase if ridge develops.

SW fire danger is looking better in NM, but not seeing any relief across AZ.

Fire danger should increase the most rapidly in the Idaho panhandle.

Carolina coastal plain ERCs are back in the 90<sup>th</sup> percentiles.



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## Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		25	
VLAT		4	
SCOOPER	8		
AIR ATTACK	35		
LEAD ASM		13	
SEAT	64	30	
HELO TYPE1	44	42	
HELO TYPE2	34	25	
HELO TYPE3	45	15	
LARGE TRANS	Mobilizing crews to AK.		
CIMT	7	23	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	64 (10 preposition)	4	
CREW TYPE 2IA	107 (35 preposition)	15	
CREW TYPE 2	36 (12 preposition)	Hundreds	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	54	102	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	90	22	
RAPPELERS		98	
CATERERS	7	7	
SHOWERS	9	54	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	7
TANKER	
HELO	3
AIR ATTACK	1
IR	3
UAS	
SCOOPER	
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	0
ENGINES	10
OVERHEAD	33
PENDING	Engines, T2 IA crew,

4 aircraft, 3 crews, 9 pieces of equipment, 71 personnel assigned to RX.



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## Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

### Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: Conner fire transitioned back to T4 IMT.

### Shane McDonald (FWS, Alaska, and Southern Area)

- FWS: NTR
- Alaska: Unable to fill slot on national rotation.
- Southern Area: NTR

### Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: Tracking several fires in AK and Forsyth.
- Northern Rockies: Greer fire concern for IDL along Highway 12.

### Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest) – Jeff Walther

- FS: NTR
- Eastern Area: Little activity, willing to support surge task force component.
- Southwest: Concern continues for AZ, moving resources. Laguna on Santa Fe looking at T3 IMT within the GA.

### Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: Built NW Compact IMT to mobilize to Yukon.
- Rocky Mountain: Pushing resources to western CO.

### Chuck Russell (NPS and California) – Jesse Bender

- NPS: NTR
- NOPs: NTR
- SOPs: NTR

### Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA: NTR
- NW: NTR



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## Liaison Report Out

### NMAC Operations – Maegan Maughan

Sending 1 rappel ship to AK on 7/1, down this afternoon for conversion.  
Currently able to meet all GA crew needs.  
Canada crews will be back in play starting today through the weekend.  
7 CIMTs committed, Trout will be released back to T3 next week.  
National rotation is NR, GB, EA.

### NMAC Logistics – Sean Peterson

Next week is 2025 week of remembrance.  
July 2 is national wildland firefighter day.  
Governor's roundtable and staff ride concluded yesterday.

### International – Sean Peterson

SOPS resources mobilizing to Canada tomorrow.  
All crews and smokejumpers will demobilize back to US next Tuesday.  
Sand table IWI occurred yesterday, will continue to refine processes.

## Administration

**PL – 3 (3.43)**

**GACC Priority: AK**

**Resource Allocation: NTR**





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## Admin Topics

### International IMT Briefing

Group identified 5 considerations: Type of fire, Organization and compatibility with US IMT structure, Delegation of Authority, IT/Systems Access, and In-briefing/Training.

Addressed that devices and NERV vehicles may be an issue at higher PL levels, but other logistics should not be cumbersome.

Concerns with reducing capacity by adding team members with international personnel.

NIMO may be able to be combined with international teams as long as they are not mobilized with military personnel.

### Border Patrol Letter

Recommended to include Senior Reps.

Personnel from Australia and New Zealand should be met at their connecting flight (LAX) by SREPs.

Gordon Sachs will send the NMAC Letter to Customs and Border Patrol 6/27.

### National Surge Packages

Receiving unit should be creating the incident resource request.

NICC will follow up.

### Incident Procurement

IBC putting out FAQ list to clarify restricted purchasing list.

Well-justified requests can be purchased.

Concerns with VIPR closest forces being utilized.

Currently appears that dispatch must make the decision regarding things to buy.

### FEC

No changes needed to FEC email.

### Strategic Analytics Group

Interested in coming down to Boise July 8-20.

Intent to refine NMAC needs, ensure readiness to utilize tools, and confirm value.

Ensure NMAC coordinators are well-informed.

### California Crew Rotation

Rotation runs through IHC Steering Committee.

9 IHC crews removed from rotation this year due to not being certified in 2+ years. Drop to bottom of the GA list.

Orders will be placed down to GAs who will work through their own rotations.

