

# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

## NMAC NOTES

August 1, 2025

1100-1200

Topic	Presenter(s)	Purpose
IMSR Update	Sean Peterson	Information
Predictive Services Update	Alex Melitsis /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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**Additional Attendees:** Shane Santos, Jeff Walther, Jesse Bender, Russ Babiak, Mike Mattfeldt, Mike McLaughlin, Kim Albracht, Jason Bruce, TJ Gagnon, Ryan Sundberg, Don Pyrah, Penny States, Alex Melitsis, Mike Henry, Megan Heffentrager, Maj Brian West, Rich Cowger, Gordon Sachs, Andrew Bailey, Robert Dukart, Colton Herrera, Paul Linse, Ben Oakleaf, Bryan Stamps, Jed Johns

### NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 4 August 2025, 1100-1300



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## IMSR Update (Maegan Maughan)

PL3, moderate IA, 207 new starts, 32 uncontained large fires, 8 CIMTs, 1 NIMO Team, 2 MAFFS, 213 crews, 533 engines, 103 helicopters, 10,530 personnel assigned.

**North Ops:** PL3, heavy IA, 36 new starts, 2 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Orleans Complex – CA Team 4, active behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, evacuations, 21,200 acres, 85% contained.

Big Cliff – Included in Orleans Complex, active behavior, intense heat with spotting in all directions, 247 acres.

Green – CA Team 3 TOC local unit tomorrow, minimal behavior, brush and timber, 19,000 acres, 92% contained.

**Northwest:** PL3, moderate IA, 57 new starts, 9 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs, 1 NIMO Team.

Bear Gulch – NIMO Team TOC NW Team 7 tomorrow, managing Hama, active behavior, timber, 3,922 acres, 3% contained.

Burdoin – WA DNR, NW Team 13 TOC local unit 8/3, minimal behavior, timber, communities and infrastructure threatened, 10,679 acres, 90% contained.

Pomas – NW Team 10, moderate behavior, received precipitation, timber and grass, infrastructure threatened, 3,458 acres, 0% contained.

Stud Horse – Active behavior, light fuels and timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 550 acres, 5% contained.

Lake Creek – OR DOF, moderate behavior, grass and timber, 300 acres, 0% contained.

**Great Basin:** PL3, moderate IA, 44 new starts, 6 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Little Pole – 487 acres, containment expected today.

Monroe Canyon – GB Team 5, active behavior, Highway 24 down to a single lane with a pilot car, brush, structures and infrastructure threatened, habitat threatened, evacuations, 55,642 acres, 7% contained.

Moonshine – Minimal behavior, light fuels, habitat threatened, 2,800 acres, 90% contained.

Range – DoD, extreme behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, evacuations, 8,000 acres, 0% contained.

Striker – BOD, 6,000 acres, 100% contained.

**Southern Area:** PL1, 8 new starts, 2 uncontained large fires.

Salt Lake – TX, active behavior, grass, infrastructure threatened, 650 acres, 60% contained.

**Rocky Mountain:** PL3, light IA, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Turner Gulch – NR Team 2 mobilizing, active behavior, brush and timber, residences threatened, 21,600 acres, 49% contained.

**Alaska:** PL2, no new IA activity, 3 uncontained large fires, no issues or concerns.

**Southwest:** PL3, light IA, 12 new starts, 6 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Dragon Bravo – SW Team 2, extreme behavior, brush, structures and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 115,400 acres, 9% contained.

Billy – Moderate behavior, concerned with movement into difficult areas, brush, structures threatened, 2,470 acres, 65% contained.



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## Predictive Services Update

### Weather Summary (Jim Wallmann)

#### WEATHER SUMMARY

##### Short-term (through Sunday)

- Isolated to locally scattered mixed wet/dry thunderstorms for the northwestern US, with the threat of new ignitions gradually easing
- Very dry conditions continue for much of the Great Basin, Arizona, and central Rockies, with areas of breezy winds for eastern Nevada, Utah, the West Slope, and northern Arizona creating elevated conditions and high-risk significant fire potential through the weekend
- The monsoon remains weak, with thunderstorms mostly east of the Divide in Colorado/New Mexico and a threat of dry thunderstorms on the western fringe from the Mogollon Rim to the West Slope today, followed by minimal thunderstorms this weekend
- Interior Alaska will warm and dry into the weekend, but significant fire potential will remain low
- Strong trade winds amid RH as low as 35% will create areas of critical conditions for the lee sides of Hawai'i

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

- Periods of breezy winds and very low RH are likely for much of next week for the southern/eastern Great Basin, northern Arizona, and central Rockies west of the Divide, with the strongest winds Monday and Tuesday
- Extremely hot in the Southwest with record temperatures expected later in the week, with hot temperatures into southern California and the Greater Four Corners, while limited monsoon moisture may result in isolated, mainly dry, thunderstorms in Arizona and the Greater Four Corners late next week
- Near to below normal temperatures for the northern third of the West with elevated RH moderating conditions, with a warming trend possible next weekend
- Significant fire potential will remain moderate to high in the southern Intermountain West, with moderation early in the week for the northern half of the West



### Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

Red flag warnings in HI calling for winds up to 50mph, burning index may be highest ever forecasted.



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## Resource Update (Maegan Maughan)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		27	
VLAT		4	
MAFFS		2	
SCOOPER		4	
AIR ATTACK		29	
LEAD ASM		12	
SEAT	90	13	
HELO TYPE1	79	2	
HELO TYPE2	40	1	
HELO TYPE3	50	10	
LARGE TRANS			Last jetload from AK tomorrow.
CIMT	8	12	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	80	7	
CREW TYPE 2IA	118	5	
CREW TYPE 2	134	600+	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	97	145	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	15	16	
RAPPELERS		72	
CATERERS	9	20	
SHOWERS	17	35	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	
TANKER	
HELO	5 T1, 1 T2, 1 T3
AIR ATTACK	
IR	3
UAS	
SCOOPER	
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	2 T2IA
ENGINES	0
OVERHEAD	17
PENDING	11 aircraft, 7 crews, 2 equipment, 3 overhead



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## Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

### Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: NTR

### Shane McDonald (FWS, Alaska, and Southern Area) – Kevin Conn

- FWS: NTR
- Alaska: NTR
- Southern Area: No issues or concerns.

### Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA:
- Northern Rockies: NTR

### Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest)

- FS: NTR
- Eastern Area:
- Southwest: Meeting to discuss T3 IMT mobilizing to Billy incident. Preparing for unseasonable heat and dryness.

### Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: WA saw heavy IA, pushed out 3 T3 IMTs last night.
- Rocky Mountain: Hot and dry conditions expected this weekend, feel good about resource placement. NR CIMT inbrief on Turner Gulch tonight.

### Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: Chuck visiting Dragon Bravo.
- NOPs: Heavy IA, Kern County hoist in Mt. Shasta.
- SOPs:

### Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA:
- NW: Heavy IA, 92 fires for 2,000 acres. Rock Creek saw increase of 14,000 acres. Hamma TOC local unit tomorrow. Bear Gulch saw active behavior. Pomas resources assisted with many IAs, ordering T3 IMT. Northcentral WA concern with IA. RAC mob orders in for T1/T2 IA crews.



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## Liaison Report Out

### NMAC Operations – Maegan Maughan

#### Aviation

BIA 5 FS completing IAA missions on Dragon Bravo.

NW requesting a short haul.

Smokejumpers actively engaged in IA over the last few days, no issues or concerns with availability.

T1 Durango Puma should be available Monday, 8/4.

#### Crews

Distribution good, success with IA.

Will work on filling a couple pending orders today.

#### CIMTs

5 teams on national rotation this week.

NR Team 2 mobilizing to Turner Gulch.

Monroe Canyon considering zoning with T3 IMT or additional CIMT.

Pomas has pending T3 IMT order.

#### National Surge Package

Surge #2 continuing IA in SOPS.

Surge #3 working through crew swap for rotation 3 with EA and states.

FS will follow up on SMOD.

### NMAC Logistics – Maegan Maughan

NTR

### International – Maegan Maughan

Refining shadow IMT RFA,

Resources will arrive 8/10 with in brief on 8/12.

## Administration

PL – 3

GACC Priority: NW, SW, GB, NOPS, RM, AK, SA

Resource Allocation: NTR





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## Admin Topics

### Aviation

#### MAFFS

10-37% available industry flight time through the week.

When MAFFS is activated, establish a predictable timeline for discussion and release.

Recommend releasing MAFFS. -Support

#### T2 CWN Helicopters

Critical shortage for HECM.

Helicopter UTFs have been due to payload restrictions, etc. not HECM concerns.

GAs have been able to find managers as needed.

### Predictive Services

Rick Stratton and team will be in Boise August 18-22.

Working toward better-defined integration of decision support from NICC PS and RMA/SAB.

Refinement of RMA/SAB products for NMAC support.

Request regular briefings from Stratton and group.

SAB gives sums and scores for individual fires to create spider charts.

Charts include 6 critical rating elements.

Ratings are relative, one GACC always gets the 100% (max) for each element while all other GACCs are rated proportionately compared to that maximum.

#### NMAC Homework

Priming the pump – SAB may be able to develop prototypes in advance of 8/11 visit

Affirm/refine rating elements:

- Additional elements
- Elements to remove
- Summation methodology (adding vs multiplication; linear vs logarithmic scaling)
- Weighting factors
- Criteria for superseding elements, if any

Additional input (even if rough...) for:

- Total economic impact rating element/metric
- Product to identify opportunities for reassigning resources to more active fires
- Expectations for briefing
  - Who?
  - How often?

Consider how data should fit with FLE considerations.

Concern that analytics have no weighting for IA needs.

Steve will share slides with NMAC and NMAC Coordinators.

Revisit 8/8.

### Meeting Schedule

Recommend meeting Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. -Support

