

National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

NMAC NOTES

August 7, 2025

1100-1200

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

Attendees:

<input type="checkbox"/> Chair: Shane McDonald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Co-Chair: Chuck Russell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MAC Coordinator: Andrea Lannen-Littlefield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWS/AK/SA: Kevin Conn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS/EA/SW: Russ Long	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFA/FEMA/NR: Aitor Bidaburu
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLM/GB: Brian Achziger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NASF/RM: Greg Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS/CA: Chuck Russell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA/NW: Josh Simmons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NICC: Kat Sorenson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weather: Jim Wallmann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuels: Steve Larrabee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External Affairs: Stanton Florea	<input type="checkbox"/> IAFC: Erik Litzenberg
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Additional Attendees: Brad Sawyer, Jeff Walther, Shane Santos, Russ Babiak, Morgan Gill, Kim Albracht, Jason Bruce, Jan Johnson, Morgan Alexander, Mike Mclaughlin, Beau Dobberstein, Jason Bruce, Mike Rubenstein, TJ Gagnon, Maj Brian West, Pyrah Don, Shaun Jensen, Megan Heffentrager, Rich Cowger, Beale Monday, Robert Dukart, Nate Hesse, Persephone Whelan

NEXT MEETING:

Friday, 8 August 2025, 1100-1300



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IMSR Update (Kat Sorenson)

PL4, light IA, 108 new starts, 36 uncontained large fires, 10 CIMTs, 317 crews, 842 engines, 106 helicopters, 15,082 personnel assigned.

North Ops: PL3, 16 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Orleans Complex – CA Team 4, active behavior on Big Cliff, timber, structures threatened, 21,972 acres, 81% contained.

Northwest: PL3, 3 new starts, 5 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Bear Gulch – NW Team 7, received precipitation, moderate behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 5,100 acres, 3% contained.

Bear Creek II – NW Team 3, managing other nearby incidents, moderate behavior, received precipitation, timber, structures threatened, 150 acres, 0% contained.

Pomas – Minimal behavior, timber and grass, infrastructure threatened, received precipitation, 3,400 acres, 0% contained.

South Ops: PL3, 21 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Gifford – CA Team 5, active behavior, light fuels, residences and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 91,250 acres, 9% contained.

Gold – CA Team 6, moderate behavior, timber and brush, 1,079 acres, 15% contained.

Rosa – Cal Fire, moderate behavior, light fuels, communities and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 1,690 acres, 21% contained.

Northern Rockies: PL2, pouring rain, 17 new starts, 2 uncontained large fires.

Great Basin: PL3, 11 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Monroe Canyon – GB Team 5, active behavior, brush and timber, communities and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 64,957 acres, 16% contained.

Jakes – Active behavior, merged with MP 22 incident, light fuels, structures and infrastructure threatened, habitat threatened, 72,893 acres, 32% contained.

Southern Area: PL1, 16 new starts, 1 uncontained large fire.

Rogers River – Everglades NP, moderate behavior, light fuels, 340 acres, 60% contained.

Rocky Mountain: PL3, 12 new starts, 9 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Elk RBX – RM Team 3, managing Lee, active behavior, light fuels and timber, community threatened, evacuations, 14,250 acres, 0% contained.

Lee – Extreme behavior, light fuels, community and infrastructure threatened, 28,400 acres, 0% contained.

Turner Gulch – NR Team 2, active behavior, timber and light fuels, community threatened, 24,945 acres, 49% contained.

Stoner Mesa – Active behavior, timber, community threatened, 514 acres, 0% contained.

Twelve – County, active behavior, light fuels, residences threatened, 2,000 acres, 0% contained.

Alaska: PL2, 2 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires.

Southwest: PL3, 6 new starts, 5 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.



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Dragon Bravo – SW Team 2, active behavior, brush, structures and infrastructure threatened, 130,891 acres, 30% contained.

Bronco – Active behavior, light fuels, residences threatened, 5,000 acres, 0% contained.

Indian Creek – Active behavior, heavy aviation use, 95 acres.

Predictive Services Update

Weather Summary (Jim Wallmann)

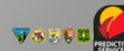
WEATHER SUMMARY

Short-term (through Saturday)

- Very dry and windy conditions continue for much of the Great Basin, northern Arizona, and central Rockies, with areas of hot, dry, creating critical conditions through Friday, with a smaller footprint for Saturday
- Isolated dry thunderstorms with strong outflow winds from the Mogollon Rim to southern Colorado and northern New Mexico creating new ignitions
- Widespread high-risk significant fire potential is forecast across the southern Intermountain West through Friday due to winds and/or lightning, and very active fires in the Four Corners states will be capable of pyroCbs, additional lightning, and strong outflows
- Wetting rain for portions of the northern Rockies today, with near to below normal temperatures and moderate conditions for the northern third of the West through Saturday
- Hot and very dry conditions gradually spreading across all California by Saturday
- Hot, dry, and breezy southerly winds across North Texas and central/western Oklahoma increasing initial attack

Long-term (Sunday through next Saturday)

- Hot and dry for California and the Northwest early next week, followed by temperatures closer to normal later in the week after a period of breezy westerly winds Tuesday
- Continued very dry for much of the Great Basin and central Rockies with long burn periods, with widespread breezy west to southwesterly winds Tuesday and Wednesday
- The monsoon remains weak, with the best chance of wetting rain in southern Arizona and southwest New Mexico, but more isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms are possible north of the Rim and in northern New Mexico which could provide additional ignitions



Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

Upper CO watershed have escalated to extreme drought class.

Ruby Mountains live fuel moistures are significantly decreased.

3 Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisories currently in effect.



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Resource Update (Kat Sorenson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		25	3
VLAT		3	1
SCOOPER		8	
AIR ATTACK		50	
LEAD ASM		14	
SEAT	97	4	
HELO TYPE1	91	0	
HELO TYPE2	44	0	
HELO TYPE3	51	5	
LARGE TRANS			
CIMT	11	6	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	73	0	
CREW TYPE 2IA	117	0	
CREW TYPE 2	150	100s	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	81	159	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	12	16	
RAPPELERS		124	
CATERERS	11	15	
SHOWERS	19	32	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	23
TANKER	5
HELO	
AIR ATTACK	3
IR	12
UAS	
SCOOPER	
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	17
ENGINES	2
OVERHEAD	66 (HEQB, SEC, TFLD, dispatch)
PENDING	6 aircraft, 4 crews, 69 overhead, 11 engines



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Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: Most of surge resources in preposition for IA.

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

- FWS: NTR
- Alaska: NTR
- Southern Area: NTR

Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: NTR
- Northern Rockies: NTR

Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest)

- FS: Title 10 RFA will be supported by NorthCom, working on timelines.
- Eastern Area: Uptick in dry conditions.
- Southwest: Bronco and Indian Creek considering team. Hot, dry conditions continue.

Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: CO and UT remain busiest states. 2 FMAGs approved yesterday for Lee and Elk RBX.
- Rocky Mountain: Active conditions, need to IHCs on Lee and Elk RBX, evacuations could increase if fire crosses highway.

Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: Senator visiting Dragon Bravo today.
- NOPs: NTR
- SOPs: Draw on aviation and crews, concerns with continued heat with additional IA and 3 large fires.

Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA: Looking at relocating T3 helicopters.
- NW: PL3, looking at PL2 in the 10-day forecast, widespread precipitation, light IA and growth on existing incidents. Bear Gulch expecting heat over the weekend. Bear Creek II CIMT managing 4 incidents. Evaluating drawdown and staffing levels, will export as able.



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Liaison Report Out

NMAC Operations – Maegan Maughan

Aviation

Boise T1 standard helicopter moved from NW to RM.
High UTFs for SEAT managers, working to provide support.
Tanker 137 close to 6/36, will take day off tomorrow, 8/8.
SMKJ actively engaged in IA.
Good rappeler availability for IA.
Durango T1 helicopter operational in Cortez, CO.

Crews

Good T1/T2IA distribution for IA.
Working to redistribute crews from moderating GAs to Four Corners states.
Relying on NOPS and SOPS to support one another for resource/crew needs.

Teams

Dragon Bravo CIMT request filled with GB.
Potential CIMT order for Bronco and Indian Creek from SW.
National Rotation 8/7: CA, GB, NR, SA, CA, GB

National Surge Package

Surge #3 reallocation from NW to RM will occur 8/9, after crew swap is complete.

NMAC Logistics – Maegan Maughan

NTR

International – Maegan Maughan

CIFFC at PL5
BC and Yukon have stabilized, continued increased activity in 5 provinces.
Resources from several countries remain assisting Canada.

International shadow IMT opportunity more appropriate for 2026 due to Canadian engagement.

NMAC Safety – Persephone Whelan

Public individual burned on ID incident.
NW continues safety calls.
Red medical on GB incident, cleared for demobilization.



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Administration

PL – 4 (4.4)

GACC Priority: RM, GB, SW, SOPS, NOPS, NW

Resource Allocation: NTR

Admin Topics

National Surge Package

BLM has available: WT, DIVS/TFLD, TFLD-t

FS has available: EA Dozer and NW with several engines.

Recommend utilizing BLM and FS resources for creating surge package #4.

Target date in place for 8/11.

Will discuss hosting with RM.

NMAC AAR

Plan for 2 days of meeting.

Propose October 28-29. -Support

Chuck will reach out to CGAC.

Teams

Send Travis the general timeframes for CIMT recruitment.

NIMO completed rostering test in ICAP, will provide briefing to FS Fire Director later in August.

Monroe Canyon CIMT replacement request for internal team. -Support

Revisit in exec.

