

National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

NMAC NOTES

August 26, 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:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair: Shane McDonald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Co-Chair: Chuck Russell	<input type="checkbox"/> MAC Coordinator:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWS/AK/SA: Shane McDonald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS/EA/SW: Beale Monday	<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: Shane Santos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NICC: Sean Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weather: Jim Wallmann
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crews: Jeremy Sullens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Smokejumpers: Hans Ohme	<input type="checkbox"/> Airspace: Kim Owczarzak
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Additional Attendees: Brad Sawyer, Jeff Walther, Jesse Bender, Kevin Conn, Kim Albracht, Justin Bohannon, Col Jason Little, Beau Dobberstein, Robert Dukart, Megan Heffentrager, Mike Henry, Jan Johnson, Mack McFarland, John Mckee, Sairy Neal, Ben Oakleaf, Ryan Sharpe, Bryan Stamps, Penny States, Rhiannon Touchette, Mark Williams, Maj Brian West, Mike Rubenstein, Gordon Sachs, Paul Gellerstedt

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, 27 August 2025, 1100-1300



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IMSR Update (Sean Peterson)

PL4, heavy IA, 323 new starts, 46 uncontained large fires, 18 CIMTs, 4 MAFFS, 389 crews, 983 engines, 136 helicopters, 19,179 personnel assigned.

North Ops: PL3, heavy IA, 102 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Peak – Active behavior, timber, 200-300 acres.

Pickett – Cal Fire Team 4, minimal behavior, timber and light fuels, residences threatened, evacuations, 6,800 acres, 15% contained.

Dillon – CA Team 1 mobilizing, extreme behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 1,000 acres, 0% contained.

Coyote – Minimal behavior, timber and brush, 624 acres, 69% contained.

Northwest: PL3, moderate IA, 44 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Emigrant – NW Team 13, active behavior, timber, 6,000 acres, 0% contained.

Flat – ODF Team 3, received precipitation, active behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, precipitation received, 21,971 acres, 7% contained.

Bear Gulch – CA Team 7, active behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 8,800 acres, 13% contained.

South Ops: PL3, heavy IA, 70 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Garnet – CA Team 10, extreme behavior, timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, 6,600 acres, 0% contained.

Little – CA Team 6, moderate behavior, light fuels and timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 2,550 acres, 0% contained.

Gifford – CA Team 8, minimal behavior, light fuels, structures and infrastructure threatened, 131,600 acres, 95% contained.

Northern Rockies: PL3, light IA, 12 uncontained large fires, 4 CIMTs.

Sunset – NR Team 5, moderate behavior, brush and timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, 3,230 acres, 42% contained.

Windy Rock – MT DNR, NW Team 2, managing Devil Mountain, active behavior, brush and timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,600 acres, 0% contained.

Devil Mountain – 2,000 acres.

Bivens Creek – NR Team 6, managing Cloudrest, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, structures threatened, 2,200 acres, 0% contained.

West Fork – Active behavior, timber and brush, residences threatened, 850 acres, 33% contained.

Corral Creek – Moderate behavior, no perimeter growth, timber, infrastructure threatened, 406 acres, 0% contained.

Knowles – Active behavior, timber and grass, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,600 acres, 16% contained.

Ransome – Active behavior, timber, residences threatened, 441 acres, 0% contained.

Sandbar 2 – NW Team 8, minimal behavior, timber, 243 acres, 17% contained.

Great Basin: PL3, 25 new starts, 10 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Dollar Lake – Extreme behavior, timber, 13,450 acres, 0% contained.

Willow Creek – Active behavior, timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, 4,350 acres, 12% contained.

Widemouth – Active behavior, light fuels, residences threatened, 1,000 acres, 15% contained.



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Monroe Canyon – GB Team 3, received precipitation, minimal behavior, brush and timber, structures threatened, 73,721 acres, 90% contained.

Big Butte – Minimal behavior, light fuels, 3,600 acres, 55% contained.

Cottonwood Peak – EA Team 1, received precipitation, minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, structures threatened, habitat threatened, 132,685 acres, 50% contained.

Rock – GB Team 6, active behavior, timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, 2,700 acres, 29% contained.

Southern Area: PL1, 13 new starts, 1 uncontained large fires.

Mile Marker 39 – Minimal behavior, grass, 48,000 acres, 95% contained.

Backbone – 2,409 acres, 100% contained.

Rocky Mountain: PL3, 21 new starts, 8 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Derby – NR Team 3, managing Turner Gulch, received precipitation, minimal behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, 5,300 acres, 0% contained.

Turner Gulch – Minimal behavior, light fuels, received precipitation, 31,699 acres, 96% contained.

Stoner Mesa – RM Team 1 TOC local unit tomorrow, minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, received precipitation, 10,200 acres, 42% contained.

Lee – Minimal behavior, light fuels, structures and infrastructure threatened, 138,844 acres, 90% contained.

Red Canyon – RM Team 2 TOC local unit tomorrow, minimal behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, evacuations, habitat threatened, 124,709 acres, 78% contained.

Southwest: PL3, 5 new starts, 4 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Dragon Bravo – CA Team 9, minimal behavior, brush, 145,500 acres, 64% contained.

Billy – Minimal behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, 27,574 acres, 56% contained.

Washington – Minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, 515 acres, 98% contained.



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Predictive Services Update

Weather Summary (Jim Wallmann)

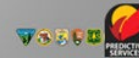
WEATHER SUMMARY

Short-term (through Thursday)

- Continued hot, dry, and unstable for Washington, western Oregon and the northern Rockies today with isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms possible in the Cascades and pyroCbs possible on any very active fires
- Deep monsoon moisture continues for eastern Oregon, southern Idaho, and Wyoming southward with mainly scattered wet thunderstorms, with the most widespread rain into Wednesday for eastern Nevada, Utah, central/southern Idaho, western Wyoming
- A drying trend begins afterward with few thunderstorms expected in California and the Southwest Thursday
- Continued dry for the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic, with localized relief in Texas but most areas will remain dry while relief from the recent dry conditions is expected in the Mississippi Valley

Long-term (Friday through next Thursday)

- A return to drier conditions is most likely across much of the West with the monsoon most likely to affect southeast Arizona and near/east of the Divide in Colorado and New Mexico
- Significant uncertainty next week with the evolution of the upper-level ridge but temperatures are most likely to be above normal for California and the Northwest
- Any additional thunderstorm potential to the north and west will depend on the ridge evolution, as well as temperatures for most of the Intermountain West
- After a brief period of rain for the Northeast Saturday, dry conditions return, with the Mid-Atlantic also dry



Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

Peak fire conditions in western PSAs.

Interior west ERCs are improving.



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Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		28	8
VLAT		3	2
SCOOPER		8	
AIR ATTACK		32	
LEAD ASM		14	
SEAT	104	1	
HELO TYPE1	80	0	
HELO TYPE2	41	0	
HELO TYPE3		2	
LARGE TRANS			
CIMT	19	13	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	71	3	
CREW TYPE 2IA	122	1	
CREW TYPE 2	211	100s	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	106	105	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	12	6	
RAPPELERS		80	
CATERERS	21	8	
SHOWERS	32	19	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	6
TANKER	
HELO	1
AIR ATTACK	
IR	3
UAS	
SCOOPER	2
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	4 T2IA crews
ENGINES	27
OVERHEAD	83 (SEC, dispatch)
PENDING	133 overhead, 23 engines, 9 IHCs, 8 T2IA crews, 19 helicopters



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Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: Decreased to PL3 today. All CIMT incidents will transition to T3 IMTs.

Shane McDonald (FWS, Alaska, and Southern Area)

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

Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA:
- Northern Rockies: Sunset TOC local unit 8/30. Sandbar 2 TOC local unit 8/28. Corral Creek had drone intrusion yesterday. Comp fires on Nez-Clear being monitored by SA Team.

Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest) – Beale Monday

- FS: NTR
- Eastern Area: NTR
- Southwest: Concern continues with the Rim.

Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: Heavy activity in OR and WA with initial and extended attack.
- Rocky Mountain: All fires except Red Canyon received precipitation.

Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: NTR
- NOPs: 95 new starts, expecting more thunderstorms. Most resources committed, needs for crews, helicopters, LATs and air attacks. T3 and CA Team 6 assigned to Little.
- SOPs: 62 new starts. Aberdeen incident, 55 acres. Garnet grew to 2,100 acres, CA Team 10 will assume command this morning. Many critical resource shortages.

Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest) – Shane Santos

- BIA: NTR
- NW: New IAs being monitored include Sugarloaf and Wildcat.



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Liaison Report Out

NMAC Operations – Maegan Maughan

Aviation

1 SEAT available, expecting 2 additional.
Reassigned rotor resources from SW to NR and NW.
1 additional T1 helicopter will be available end of shift today.
1 short haul moving from GB to NW.
FS investigation ongoing
20 UMODs committed.
38 TFRs.

Crews

All available T1 and T2IA crews are currently committed.
Continued availability with T2 crews.
GAs continue to shuffle crews internally.

Teams

3 CIMTs available on the national rotation this week: CA, AK, CA
Many incidents transitioning to lower complexity over the next week.
Dillon and Derby pending CIMT mobilizations.

DoD

2 MAFFS moved from Colorado Springs to Boise yesterday.
Army hoist ships are staged in Redding, Bakersfield, and San Bernadino.

National Surge Package

Surge #4 resources traveling home.
Surge #5 in transit on barge from AK.
Surge #6 actively engaged in IA.

NMAC Logistics – Sean Peterson

NTR

International – Sean Peterson

CIFFC at PL5, no provinces at PL5.
Most activity in Atlantic provinces.

NMAC Safety – Mack McFarland

Visibility on smoke impacts across the country.
Will discuss 209 reporting with GAs and incidents.



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Administration

PL – 4 (4.82)

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

Admin Topics

MAFFS

2 MAFFS moving from SW to SOPS 8/27. -Confirmed

Recommend relocating the 2 MAFFS out of GB Boise to Klamath Falls 8/27. -Support

NMAC Ops will reach out to NW and follow up with NMAC.

Teams

CA Team 6 assigned to Little incident, bolstering T3 for 48-72 hours.

Dragon Bravo CIMT extension request for 4 days, LWD 9/5. -Support

