

# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

## NMAC NOTES

September 4, 2025

1100-1200

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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**Additional Attendees:** Brad Sawyer, Kevin Conn, Shane Santos, Russ Babiak, Jeff Walther, Maj Brian West, Aaron Baldwin, Mark Williams, Scott Mayer, Kim Albracht, Jan Johnson, Shaun Jensen, Lindsey Lewis, Bryan Stamps, Gordon Sachs, John Mckee, Sairy Neal, Beau Dobberstein, Robert Dukart, Casey Teske, Ryan Sundberg, Col TJ Gagnon, Cameron Tongier

### NEXT MEETING:

Friday, 5 September 2025, 1100-1300



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## IMSR Update (Sean Peterson)

PL4, moderate IA, 57 uncontained large fires, 20 CIMTs, 6 Army Medivac helicopters, 381 crews, 943 engines, 132 helicopters, 18,256 personnel assigned.

**North Ops:** PL4, heavy IA, 79 new starts, 8 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs, successful IA yesterday.

Root – Moderate behavior, timber, limited perimeter heat, residences threatened, evacuations, 740 acres, 45% contained.

Dillon – CA Team 1, managing Blue, moderate behavior, residences threatened, evacuations, 9,300 acres, 21% contained.

Blue – Active behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 2,000 acres, 0% contained.

Swift Complex – CA Team 2, moderate behavior, timber and brush, 540 acres, 40% contained.

Log – Moderate behavior, timber, received precipitation, 758 acres, 0% contained.

Cedar – Moderate behavior, timber and light fuels, structures threatened, evacuations, 103 acres, 0% contained.

R-14 Buffalo – Minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, structures threatened, 1,286 acres, 75% contained.

**Northwest:** PL4, moderate IA, 31 new starts, 16 uncontained large fires, 7 CIMTs.

Series of lightning fires in southeast Oregon.

Paradise – 50 acres.

Dads Creek – Timber, 140 acres.

Bridge – OR, 100 acres.

Emigrant – NW Team 13, active behavior, slash and timber, infrastructure threatened, 26,135 acres, 0% contained.

Flat – ODF Team 3 TOC local unit today, minimal behavior, light fuels, structures threatened, 23,346 acres, 97% contained.

Mark's Creek – ODF Team 2, active behavior, timber and brush, residences threatened, evacuations, 2,000 acres, 0% contained.

Bear Gulch – Timber, 9,800 acres, 10% contained.

Wildcat – NW Team 10, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, 5,500 acres, 0% contained.

Lower Sugarloaf – NW Team 3, extreme behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, 6,200 acres, 0% contained.

Crown Creek – NW Team 12, managing Blackhawk Mountain and Katy Creek, extreme behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 10,800 acres, 0% contained.

Blackhawk Mountain – Extreme behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 800 acres, 0% contained.

Katy Creek – Active behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, 1,300 acres, 0% contained.

Tacoma Creek – DNR, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, 900 acres, 0% contained.

Snow Peak – Active behavior, timber, 300 acres, 0% contained.

Lynx Mountain – BIA, active behavior, timber and slash, 800 acres, 0% contained.

Rattlesnake – NW Team 7 mobilizing, extreme behavior, timber and brush, residences threatened, 8,000 acres, 0% contained.

Perry – Active behavior, timber, 1,300 acres, 0% contained.

**South Ops:** PL4, heavy IA, 66 new starts, 9 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Salt – Cal Fire Team 1, active behavior, light fuels, 13,500 acres, 0% contained.

Garnet – CA Team 10, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 30,700 acres, 12% contained.

TCU September Lightning Complex – 5 large fires, Cal Fire Team 6, active behavior, timber and light fuels, infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 13,767 acres, 15% contained.



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1-4 – Cal Fire, light fuels, evacuations, 4,050 acres, 45% contained.

**Northern Rockies:** PL3, 4 new starts, 12 uncontained large fires, 4 CIMTs.

Timber Butte – Active behavior, timber, 1,200 acres, 0% contained.

Ulm Creek – Active behavior, slash and timber, 2,200 acres, 0% contained.

Windy Rock – NW Team 2, NR Team 1 mobilizing, managing Devil Mountain, extreme behavior, grass and timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, incidents merged, 5,000 acres, 0% contained.

Bivens Creek – NW Team 8, managing Cloudrest, minimal behavior, timber, 2,100 acres, 91% contained.

Ransome – Moderate behavior, timber, residences threatened, 650 acres, 23% contained.

Island Creek – NR Team 2, managing East and Mire, active behavior, timber, structures threatened, 14,500 acres, 5% contained.

East – Moderate behavior, timber, 1,600 acres, 0% completed.

Mire – Moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 1,140 acres, 0% completed.

White Pine – 30 acres, heavy IA response.

Elk Creek – Moderate behavior, timber, 330 acres, 40% contained.

**Great Basin:** PL3, light IA, no issues or concerns, 5 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Willow Creek – Moderate behavior, timber, residences and infrastructure threatened, evacuations, 4,066 acres, 43% contained.

Dollar Lake – Active behavior, timber, evacuations, habitat threatened, 15,700 acres, 31% contained.

Monroe Canyon – GB Team 3 TOC local unit tomorrow, minimal behavior, brush and timber, structures and infrastructure threatened, 73,700 acres, 97% contained.

**Rocky Mountain:** PL2, 5 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Derby – RM Team 3, minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, structures threatened, 5,440 acres, 42% contained.

Stoner Mesa – Minimal behavior, timber, 10,250 acres, 47% contained.

Black – WY county, moderate behavior, light fuels, 320 acres, 25% contained.

Strong Draw – Minimal behavior, light fuels, 770 acres, 70% contained.

**Southwest:** PL2, 2 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Dragon Bravo - CA Team 9 TOC SW Team 3 tomorrow, minimal behavior, brush, received precipitation, 145,504 acres, 80% contained.



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## Predictive Services Update

### Weather Summary (Jim Wallmann)

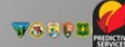
#### WEATHER SUMMARY

##### Short-term (through Saturday)

- Hot, dry, and unstable conditions to persist in Washington to the Idaho Panhandle into Saturday with significant fire growth likely and potential pyroCbs, but activity may be diminished in some areas due to increased smoke impacting solar insolation
- Isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms for northeast California and Oregon today, turning wetter tomorrow, with isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms into portions of Washington and central Idaho tomorrow
- Monsoon continues for the central/southern Great Basin, West Slope, and Southwest with daily scattered wet thunderstorms
- A cold front to bring breezy/dry northwest winds to the northern Plains tomorrow and freezing temperatures to the Upper Midwest, but areas of relief to New England and the Mid-Atlantic Friday into Saturday
- Breezy/dry southerly winds creating locally elevated conditions in Texas ahead of the front tomorrow

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

- Gradually cooling temperatures in the West by mid-next week, with season-slowing precipitation most likely for Oregon, which may spread into Washington, the northern Great Basin, and northern Rockies late next week
- Breezy/dry southwesterly winds for much of the Great Basin into the northern/central Rockies early to mid-next week, with the greatest concern for the Sierra Front, western Montana, and western Wyoming
- Cool and dry conditions for the Midwest to the Northeast next week with temperatures slowly warming through the week, and breezy/dry northwesterly winds possible late next week, while dry conditions return to Texas
- A tropical depression is likely to form in the western tropical Atlantic this weekend, some impacts possible for Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands and Hurricane Kiko in the central Pacific may impact Hawai'i mid-next week



Monitoring Kiko for impacts to Hawaii.

Tracking the tropical storm in the Atlantic for impacts.

### Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

NW is likely peaking today before seeing some recovery for new ignitions.

NOPS may see a couple days of escalating fire danger before recovery.



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## Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		26	3
VLAT		3	1
SCOOPER		8	
AIR ATTACK		11	
LEAD ASM		11	
SEAT	98	7	
HELO TYPE1	84	0	
HELO TYPE2	42	0	
HELO TYPE3	48	4	
LARGE TRANS			
CIMT	22	11	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	76	0	
CREW TYPE 2IA	117	0	
CREW TYPE 2	232	100s	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	110	86	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	11	0	
RAPPELERS		55	
CATERERS	20	5	
SHOWERS	37	19	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	11
TANKER	2
HELO	2
AIR ATTACK	
IR	4
UAS	1
SCOOPER	2
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	0
ENGINES	1
OVERHEAD	39
PENDING	418 overhead, 15 engines, 46 IHCs, 8 T2 crews, 18 helicopters



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## Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

### Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: Monroe Canyon TOC local unit tomorrow.

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

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

### Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: NTR
- Northern Rockies: White Pine is top priority. Moving crews around GACC to support emerging incidents. Concern with limited crews and crews timing out.

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

- FS: NTR
- Eastern Area: Fire in NJ is 50% contained. Some states holding resources back due to IA and drying. FDNY may roster T3 IMT based on need.
- Southwest: Received some moisture, no concerns.

### Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain)

- NASF: OR reporting significant IA with ongoing lightning. WA saw increase in acreage on all existing fires. WA supporting OR with LATs. CA expecting increased IA, turning corner on many state incidents today.
- Rocky Mountain: Fires in WY will rotate a couple of T3 IMTs through, RM Team 3 will TOC tomorrow. 1 CIMT available now, 1 available 9/6. Uptick in IA before moderation.

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

- NPS: NTR
- NOPs/SOPs: Heavy IA, lightning continues. Garnet and Dillon will request replacement CIMTs. Continue to prioritize emerging incidents and moving resources from large fires to IA as able.

### Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA: Red medical treated and released.
- NW: Heavy IA and high levels of large fire growth. NW Team 3 taking Lower Sugarloaf tomorrow. NW Team 7 takes command Lynx Mountain tomorrow. Expecting heavy structure loss on Crown Creek. Crown Creek and Blackhawk Mountain merged. Emigrant placed CIMT request. Wildcat doubled in size. Additional lightning expected today. Surge #5 placed in Spokane. Both prepositioned CIMTs will be mobilized to fires.





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## Liaison Report Out

### NMAC Operations – Kat Sorenson

#### Aviation

Heavy aviation competition ongoing.

Monitoring scooper usage.

NW and NR flew all aviation resources yesterday.

IAA program found 28 new starts yesterday between OR, WA and CA.

#### Crews

2 IHCS sent to NR this morning.

Continue focusing distribution of crews on NW and NOPS.

Hired 40 T2 crews yesterday (NICC record).

#### Teams

3 CIMTs on geographic prepositions.

Anticipate replacement CIMT requests for Dillon, Emigrant, and Garnet.

Anticipate Bridge ordering CIMT.

National Rotation: GB, CA, SA, AK

October 2 national rotation moves to shoulder season schedule.

#### National Surge Package

Surge #5 will re-crew and remain in NW.

Working to find SMOD to join.

Surge #6 LWD 9/5.

### NMAC Logistics – Sean Peterson

NIIC-D starting to get low on some resources.

### International – Sean Peterson

Decreased to PL3.

60 fires and 2 CIMTs.

Australia seeing increase in fire activity.

## Administration

PL – 4 (4.82)

GACC Priority: NW, NOPS, NR, SOPS



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## Admin Topics

### National Surge Package

NV creating internal task force, may be available nationally 9/8 based on internal activity.

Need ICT3 if surge #9 is created.

Surge #5 will re-crew from AK and remain in NW.

NMAC Ops will find a SMOD for 9/11.

Recommend creating 2 surge packages from #7 resources.

Surge #7 confirmed resources: 2 TFLD, 5 T6 engines, 1 ICT3, 1 SMOD

Recommend surge #7 being assigned to NW. -Support

Create surge #8 with SW SMOD, 2 NM engines, ICT3/DIVS

NMAC representatives will look for TFLD.

### Teams

Anticipate NW will assign both prepositioned CIMTs and place additional preposition request.

NMAC Ops will reach out to centers regarding logistical concerns and NERV availability.

