

# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

## NMAC NOTES

September 12, 2025

1100-1300

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

### Attendees:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Chair:</b> Shane McDonald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Co-Chair:</b> Chuck Russell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>MAC Coordinator:</b> Elise Hawes
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**Additional Attendees:** Kevin Conn, Jesse Bender, Kim Albracht, Jason Bruce, Darren Donley, Robert Dukart, Jan Johnson, Shaun Jensen, Penny States, Maj Brian West, George Smith, Sara Sink, Gordon Sachs, Ben Oakleaf, Mack McFarland, Robert Dukart, Megan Heffentrager, Ali Reiner, Rich Cowger, Bryan Stamps, Jed Johns

### NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 15 September 2025, 1100-1300



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## IMSR Update (Kat Sorenson)

PL3, light IA, 107 new starts, 51 uncontained large fires, 17 CIMTs, 401 crews, 955 engines, 108 helicopters, 18,762 personnel assigned.

**North Ops:** PL3, 18 new starts, 6 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Blue – CA Team 6, managing Dillon and Log, minimal behavior, timber, 3,600 acres, 28% contained.

**Northwest:** PL4, light IA, 18 new starts, 22 uncontained large fires, 10 CIMTs.

Lower Sugarloaf – NW Team 3, managing Labor Mountain, moderate behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, evacuations, 14,323 acres, 0% contained.

Labor Mountain – Moderate behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, 4,000 acres, 0% contained.

Crown Creek – NW Team 12, managing Katy Creek, moderate behavior, timber and brush, residences threatened, evacuations, 14,235 acres, 25% contained.

Katy Creek – Active behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,585 acres, 10% contained.

Rattlesnake – NW Team 7, active behavior, timber and slash, residences threatened, evacuations, 21,338 acres, 65% contained.

Moon Complex – 2 fires, GB Team 5, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,900 acres, 4% contained.

Kelsey Peak – ODF Team 1, received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, 1,000 acres, 23% contained.

Wildcat – NW Team 10, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 7,900 acres, 8% contained.

Tacoma Creek – GB Team 7, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,796 acres, 5% contained.

Emigrant – CA Team 3, minimal behavior, timber and slash, infrastructure threatened, 32,294 acres, 21% contained.

Bridge – CA Team 4 TOC local unit tomorrow, received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, infrastructure threatened, 350 acres, 62% contained.

Mark's Creek – ODF Team 2 TOC local unit today, received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, infrastructure threatened, 1,700 acres, 88% contained.

**South Ops:** PL3, 15 new starts, 5 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Garnet – CA Team 5, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 57,100 acres, 17% contained.

Salt – Cal Fire Team 1 TOC local unit today, minimal behavior, grass and timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 25,580 acres, 95% contained.

TCU September Lightning Complex – Cal Fire, minimal behavior, timber and grass, 13,869 acres, 97% contained.

**Northern Rockies:** PL3, 12 new starts, 10 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

Windy Rock – NR Team 1, moderate behavior, grass and timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 6,000 acres, 32% contained.

White Pine – NR Team 2 TOC NR Team 3 tomorrow, managing Island Creek, East and Mire, active behavior, timber, 1,000 acres, 10% contained.

Island Creek – Moderate behavior, brush and timber, structures threatened, 14,800 acres, 5% contained.



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**Great Basin:** PL2, 12 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires.

Rock – Received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, infrastructure threatened, 2,796 acres, 95% contained.

**Rocky Mountain:** PL2, 7 new starts.

## Predictive Services Update

### Weather Summary (Gina McGuire)

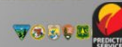
#### WEATHER SUMMARY

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

- Cool temperatures, higher RH, scattered showers and thunderstorms and scattered wetting rain for much of the Intermountain West with brief warming and drying in the Northwest and western Great Basin Friday/Saturday.
- Another low moves into the Northwest Sunday bringing light to locally moderate rainfall, thunderstorms and breezy winds.
- Gusty south to southwest winds and dry conditions through the weekend from West Texas into the Central Plains.
- Hotter and drier for the Plains into the East, with the hottest temperatures from the southern Plains across the Mississippi Valley where record heat may occur.
- Showers and thunderstorms continue in Florida.

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

- Low pressure tracks across the northern Great Basin and northern Rockies through early next week. Another round of precipitation is likely across the northern Great Basin and northern Rockies early next week with potentially season-slows/ending conditions for the northern Rockies.
- Warmer and drier weather returns early to mid-next week for the West as ridging rebuilds.
- Hot and continued dry conditions for the Mid/Lower Mississippi and Ohio Valley into the Southeast, with near record heat in the Mississippi Valley.
- Showers and thunderstorms may develop in the Mid-Atlantic and Coastal Southeast next week, but confidence is low.



Monitoring Tropical Storm Mario late next week.

### Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

ERCs looking good overall across the country.

Longer term potential suggests NW will increase in behavior again.

Parts of EA, such as southwest Missouri, are rather high.

Southern Area may jump up to high potential next week.



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## Resource Update (Kat Sorenson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		24	
VLAT		2	
SCOOPER		6	
AIR ATTACK		22	
LEAD ASM		9	
SEAT	91	7	
HELO TYPE1	96	1	
HELO TYPE2	43	0	
HELO TYPE3	59	4	
LARGE TRANS			
CIMT	17	6	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	68	2	
CREW TYPE 2IA	117	1	
CREW TYPE 2	257	378	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	108	106	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)			
RAPPELERS		67	
CATERERS	20	2	
SHOWERS	43	13	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	7
TANKER	
HELO	
AIR ATTACK	
IR	4 (weather)
UAS	
SCOOPER	2
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	2
ENGINES	0
OVERHEAD	84 (TFLD, HEQB)
PENDING	1 aircraft, 6 crews, 56 overhead



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## Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

### Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: PL2 this morning, Cedar City air tanker base hit 2 million gallons of retardant.

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

- FWS: SW Meteorologist position is on the streets.
- Alaska: NTR
- Southern Area: NTR

### Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: NTR
- Northern Rockies: Trending down toward PL2 over the weekend.

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

- FS: NTR
- Eastern Area: Monitoring elevated conditions.
- Southwest: NTR

### Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain) – Darryl Jones

- NASF: NM has 5 T6 engines available.
- Rocky Mountain: Moving resources internally.

### Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: NTR
- NOPs: Mid-management needs, trending in the right direction.
- SOPs: Once high sets back in, indices will be brought back up to high.

### Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA: NTR
- NW: PL4, most fires need middle management, catching up with crew requests, will need CIMT replacements on several fires.



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## Liaison Report Out

### NMAC Operations – Kat Sorenson

#### Aviation

Working on T2 and T3 EU extensions.

0 rappel injuries this season, 1,185 operational rappels, 1,169 helitack insertions.

NW only GA in double digits with TFRs.

#### Crews

NW continues to be the only GA with crew needs.

#### Teams

Request justifications no longer needed at PL3.

National Rotation 9/1-9/17: SA, RM, CA, SW, GB

Several day 10s upcoming in the next couple of days for replacement decision.

#### National Surge Package

Surge #5 R&R in place.

Surge #7 available for IA in Wenatchee.

Surge #8 available for IA in Redding.

Surge #9 available for IA near Mammoth Lakes.

### NMAC Logistics – Kat Sorenson

NTR

### NMAC Safety – Mack McFarland

Robust interagency response from DOI and FS regarding smoke exposure.

Some units starting to stand up RX operations.

## Administration

PL – 3

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

## Admin Topics

### Crews

Many state T1 non-fed crews are not equivalent to federal IHCs and are not counted in the crew distribution percentages.

