

National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

NMAC NOTES

September 15, 2025

1100-1300

Topic	Presenter(s)	Purpose
IMSR Update	Sean Peterson	Information
Predictive Services Update	Gina McGuire /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: 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: Darryl Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS/CA: Chuck Russell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA/NW: Josh Simmons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NICC: Sean Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weather: Jim Wallmann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuels: Steve Larrabee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External Affairs: Sheri Ascherfeld	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IAFC: Erik Litzenberg
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLM Aviation: Matt Shaddle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA Aviation: Robert Dodgen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS Aviation: Chris Tipton
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NIIC-D: Mark Hilton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cache: Marcus Medina	<input type="checkbox"/> DoD: Martha Wilkins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crews: Jeremy Sullens	<input type="checkbox"/> Smokejumpers: Hans Ohme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airspace: Kim Owczarzak
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OWF: Jessica Gardetto	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rappel: Adam Kahler	<input type="checkbox"/> IR: Rachael Hansen
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<input type="checkbox"/> CGAC: Jay Kurth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Note-taker: Nicki Johnston	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IMTs: Perry Breitenstein

Additional Attendees: Brad Sawyer, Kevin Conn, Shane Santos, Jesse Bender, CJ Carter, Ali Reiner, Kim Albracht, Darren Donley, Robert Dukart, Justin Gilman, Mike Henry, Shaun Jensen, Lindsey Lewis, Gina McGuire, Ben Oakleaf, Rachael Hansen, Sara Sink, Bryan Stamps, Penny States, Maj Brian West, John Mckee, Nate Hesse, Mack McFarland, Gordon Sachs

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, 17 September 2025, 1100-1300



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IMSR Update (Sean Peterson)

PL3, light IA, 177 new starts, 47 uncontained large fires, 17 CIMTs, 6 Medevac helicopters, 373 crews, 762 engines, 84 helicopter, 17,174 personnel assigned.

North Ops: PL3, 8 new starts, 6 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Blue – CA Team 6, managing Dillon and Log, minimal behavior, grass and timber, 3,600 acres, 30% contained.

Dillon – Minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, received precipitation, structures threatened, evacuations, 11,500 acres, 7% contained.

Log – Minimal behavior, received precipitation, light fuels and timber, received precipitation, 1,100 acres, 71% contained.

Swift Complex – Minimal behavior, timber, infrastructure threatened, 540 acres, 99% contained.

Root – Minimal behavior, timber, 729 acres, 97% contained.

Ookala – Minimal behavior, litter and grass, structures threatened, 468 acres, 80% contained.

Northwest: PL4, 5 new starts, 20 uncontained large fires, most fires received precipitation, 12 CIMTs.

Lower Sugarloaf – NW Team 3, managing Labor Mountain, active behavior, received precipitation, timber and brush, structures threatened, evacuations, 17,500 acres, 11% contained.

Labor Mountain – Active behavior, timber and brush, structures threatened, received precipitation, 4,797 acres, 5% contained.

Wildcat – NW Team 10 TOC local unit tomorrow, limited perimeter growth, moderate behavior, timber, structures threatened, 8,400 acres, 8% contained.

Perry – Minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, 1,700 acres, 40% contained.

Rattlesnake – NW Team 7, SA Team 3 mobilizing, managing Lynx Mountain, moderate behavior, timber, residences threatened, evacuations, 21,844 acres, 85% contained.

Lynx Mountain – Active behavior, received precipitation, brush and slash, residences threatened, evacuations, 7,900 acres, 22% contained.

Crown Creek – NW Team 12 TOC NR Team 6, managing Katy Creek, received precipitation, moderate behavior, timber and brush, residences threatened, evacuations, 14,228 acres, 30% contained.

Katy Creek – Active behavior, received precipitation, timber and brush, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,900 acres, 10% contained.

Tacoma Creek – GB Team 7, minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, received precipitation, 3,900 acres, 31% contained.

Moon Complex – GB Team 5, minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 3,900 acres, 6% contained.

Emigrant – CA Team 3, RM Team 1 mobilizing, minimal behavior, slash and timber, received precipitation, 32,350 acres, 34% contained.

Bridge – CA Team 4, minimal behavior, timber, received precipitation, 350 acres, 98% contained.

Kelsey Peak – ODF Team 1, minimal behavior, timber, evacuations, received precipitation, 1,000 acres, 68% contained.

South Ops: PL3, 8 new starts, 1 uncontained large fire, 1 CIMT.

Garnet – CA Team 5, moderate behavior, limited growth, timber, structures threatened, evacuations, 59,573 acres, 71% contained.

Northern Rockies: PL2, 2 new starts, 15 uncontained large fires, 2 CIMTs.

Ulm Creek – Minimal behavior, slash and timber, residences threatened, 2,900 acres, 10% contained.



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Green Rattle Complex – 2 fires, minimal behavior, timber, received precipitation, 540 acres, 0% contained.
White Pine – NR Team 3, managing Island Creek, East and Mire, received precipitation, minimal behavior, timber, infrastructure threatened, 1,000 acres, 10% contained.

Island Creek – Minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, received precipitation, 15,000 acres, 5% contained.

5 fires east of Island Creek are all unstaffed.

Ransome – Minimal behavior, timber and brush, received precipitation, residences threatened, 700 acres, 37% contained.

Windy Rock – NR Team 1, moderate behavior, grass and timber, residences threatened, 6,000 acres, 43% contained.

West Fork – Minimal behavior, timber and brush, received precipitation, 963 acres, 83% contained.

Cloudrest – Minimal behavior, timber, structures threatened, 3,100 acres, 54% contained.

Timber Butte – Minimal behavior, brush and timber, residences threatened, 2,200 acres, 85% contained.

Great Basin: PL2, 4 new starts, 1 uncontained large fire.

Dollar Lake – Moderate behavior, received precipitation, timber and brush, evacuations, 19,466 acres, 63% contained.

Rocky Mountain: PL2, 3 new starts, 1 uncontained large fire.

Derby – Minimal behavior, light fuels and timber, 5,400 acres, 80% contained.

Southwest: PL2, 2 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMENT.

Dragon Bravo – SW Team 3, minimal behavior, brush and timber, 145,504 acres, 86% contained.



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Predictive Services Update

Weather Summary (Gina McGuire)

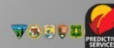
WEATHER SUMMARY

Short-term (through Wednesday)

- Warming and drying across the Northwest, California, Great Basin and Southwest.
- Offshore East winds in the Northwest and far northern California Tuesday night with gusts 25-35 mph with rapid warming with RH dropping to 15-25%.
- Cool, higher RH and scattered showers and thunderstorms in the northern and central Rockies, northern and eastern Great Basin down to New Mexico expands east into the Plains.
- Hot and dry from the southern Plains and Southeast to the Great Lakes aside from isolated thunderstorms.
- Showers and thunderstorms in the Mid-Atlantic, Coastal Northeast and Florida.

Long-term (Thursday through next Wednesday)

- Warm and dry in the Intermountain West Thursday.
- Potential for remnant tropical moisture moves into the West later through this weekend for an increase in mixed wet/dry thunderstorms that could increase initial attack and bring wetting rain.
- Showers and thunderstorms in the Plains will move east toward the Great Lakes and Mississippi and Ohio Valleys into next week.
- Warmer and drier from the Northeast through the Mid-Atlantic and Southeast with showers and thunderstorms in Florida.



Fuels Summary (Steve Larrabee)

Western Kentucky hit 90th percentile for ERCs over the weekend.

Fire weather watch Monday and Tuesday in the NW, fire danger will trend upward through the weekend.

Big portions east of the Mississippi are seeing increasing drought levels.



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Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		20	4
VLAT		4	
SCOOPER		4	
AIR ATTACK		22	
LEAD ASM		12	
SEAT		5	
HELO TYPE1	81	3	
HELO TYPE2	38	2	
HELO TYPE3	43	6	
CIMT	20	9	
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	56	9	
CREW TYPE 2IA	109	3	
CREW TYPE 2	221	100s	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	77	120	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	8	0	
RAPPELERS		92	
CATERERS	17	7	
SHOWERS	35	20	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	
TANKER	
HELO	1
AIR ATTACK	
IR	12
UAS	
SCOOPER	
LEAD/ASM	
CREWS	5 IHCs
ENGINES	1
OVERHEAD	95 (HEQB, TFLD, FALB)
PENDING	53 overhead, 4 IHCs, 2 T2 IA crews, 2 T2 crews, 0 helicopters



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Agency Business and Geographic Area (GA) Update

Brian Achziger (BLM and Great Basin)

- BLM: NTR
- Great Basin: Discussing RX opportunities.

Shane McDonald (FWS, Alaska, and Southern Area)

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

Aitor Bidaburu (USFA and Northern Rockies)

- USFA: NTR
- Northern Rockies: In good shape with moderating weather.

Russ Long (USFS, Eastern Area and Southwest)

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

Greg Smith (NASF and Rocky Mountain) – Darryl Jones

- NASF: NM has light IA and lightning.
- Rocky Mountain: Light IA, good weather.

Chuck Russell (NPS and California)

- NPS: NTR
- NOPs: Root TOC local unit today.
- SOPs:

Josh Simmons (BIA and Northwest)

- BIA: NTR
- NW: 2,400 acres growth across all incidents, minimal activity. Preparing for IA but completing firing operations. Lynx Mountain discussing turning Rattlesnake back to local unit later this week, shifting resources. Emigrant TOC RM Team 1 at 1800. Bridge completing suppression repair and resource downsizing, may need crew replacements for time outs.



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Liaison Report Out

NMAC Operations – Jeremy Sullens

Aviation

More releases and shuffling resources to replace CWN as practical.
26 national TFRs.

Crews

NW is only GA ordering/needing crews.
Anticipating crew surplus by end of the week.

Teams

17 CIMTs assigned.
3 CIMT replacement mobilizations.

National Surge Packages

Surge #5 replacements in Redmond, will be operational midday.
Surge #7 assigned to Rattlesnake, discussing move to Lower Sugarloaf.
Surge #8 staging and completing work on the Plumas.
Surge #9 working to establish contact.

NMAC Logistics – Sean Peterson

Anticipating Secretarial Orders this week.

International – Sean Peterson

CIFFC at PL3.
Most activity continues in British Columbia.

NMAC Safety – Mack McFarland

Continued discussions surrounding hazard tree removal.

Administration

PL – 3

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



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Admin Topics

Teams

Dragon Bravo requesting CIMT extension for up to 7 days. -Support

Safety

Consider the need and intent for the NMAC Safety report out.

Safety representative was intended to liaise between the busy GA safety groups and NMAC for awareness.

GA Coordinating Group safety position talks to IMT Safety Officers to monitor trends and commonalities.

Recommend formalizing safety liaison year-round.

Recommend safety personnel hold an AAR the propose program of work, report out structure, etc. moving forward.

At lower PL levels, GMAC's do not have a safety liaison stood up, liaisons work through peer channels.

Recommend releasing NMAC Safety liaison from daily meetings, will report out if needed. -Support

Add as a topic for NMAC AAR on October 31.

CIMT AAR

Will be hosted at Idaho State Museum October 29-30.

ICAC will be meeting in classroom October 28.

Revisit facilitator need in exec.

ICAP

No requirements document to serve as foundation.

RM willing to test viable product.

