

National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

3833 South Development Avenue; Boise, ID 83705

NMAC NOTES

July 12, 2026

1100-1200

Topic	Presenter(s)	Purpose
National Fire Activity Overview	Sean Peterson	Information
National Fire Weather Update	Steve Marien	Information
National Fuels Update	Steve Larrabee	Information
National Resource Overview & Assessment	Sean Peterson	Information
Geographic Area Associate Member Update	NMAC Associate Members	Information
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NMAC Operations Report Out	Erica Lamb	Information
International	Sean Peterson	Information
Strategic Analytics Report	Rick Stratton	Information
Administration	Sean Peterson	Information
Admin Topics	NMAC Representatives	Discussion

Attendees:

☐ Chair: Chuck Russell	☒ Co-Chair: Aitor Bidaburu	☐ MAC Coordinator:
☒ USWFS: Brian Achziger	☒ USFS: Russ Long	☒ USFA: Aitor Bidaburu
☒ NASF: Greg Smith	☒ NICC: Sean Peterson	☒ IAFC: Craig Daugherty
☐ Alaska: Tyler Anderson	☒ California: Jay Kurth	☒ Eastern Area: Paul Lundgren
☒ Great Basin: John Foley	☒ Northern Rockies: Corey Buhl	☒ Northwest: Brian Ebert
☒ Southern Area: Jason Demas	☒ Rocky Mountain: Paul Cerda	☒ Southwest: Mike Spilde
☒ Fuels: Steve Larrabee	☒ Intel: Perry Breitenstein	☒ Weather: Steve Marien
☒ Crews: Chase Maness	☒ NMAC Operations: Erica Lamb	☒ IMTs: LJ Brown
☒ ICAC: Jason Loomis	☐ External Affairs: Rebecca Paterson	☒ DOW: Brian West
☒ USWFS Aviation: Matt Shaddle	☒ USFS Aviation: Chris Tipton	☐ Airspace: Kim Owczarzak
☒ NIIC-D: Kim Albracht	☒ Cache: Nate Hesse	☐ IR: Kat Sorenson
☐ Safety:	☒ Strategic Analytics: Rick Stratton	☒ Smokejumpers: Ben Oakleaf
☐ CGAC:	☒ Note-taker: Nicki Johnston	☒ Rappel: Adam Kahler

Additional Attendees: Hans Ohme, Mark Goeller, Jeremy Sullens, Jim Prevette, Col Little, Josh Acosta, Karis Berrian, Steve Goldman, Jason Bruce, Megan Heffentrager, Mike Krupski, Jason Miller, Richard Parrish, Trevor Pollock, Harold Riggs, Bryan Stamps, Dave Williams, Julie Polutnik

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 13 July 2026, 1100-1300



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National Fire Activity Overview (Sean Peterson)

PL4, 305 new starts, 44 uncontained large fires, 16 CIMTs, 1 NIMO, 2 MAFFS, 316 crews, 952 engines, 143 helicopters, 15,150 personnel assigned.

North Ops: PL3, moderate IA, 21 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires.

Twain – Brush, 276 acres.

Loomis – Extreme behavior, timber, 400 acres, 0% contained.

Elephant – Light fuels, active behavior, light fuels, 4,400 acres, 5% contained.

3-1 Pit – Cal Fire, minimal behavior, timber, 1,055 acres, 65% contained.

Northwest: PL3, light IA, 7 uncontained large fires, 3 CIMTs.

E Evans Creek – ODF Team 1, active behavior, timber, evacuations, 2,650 acres, 0% contained.

Salmon – NW Team 12, managing Olive Butte, active behavior, timber and brush, evacuations, 1,200 acres, 0% contained.

Olive Butte – Active behavior, timber and brush, evacuations, 385 acres, 0% contained.

North Cayuse – NW Team 3, managing Anthony, minimal behavior, timber, 4,800 acres, 91% contained.

Anthony – Active behavior, timber, evacuations, 1,500 acres, 0% contained.

B and O – WA DNR, minimal behavior, light fuels, 2,800 acres, 20% contained.

All other light fuels are at 100% contained.

South Ops: PL3, moderate IA, 25 new starts.

Summit – Unified command, light fuels, active behavior, evacuations, 2,700 acres, 15% contained.

Van – Cal Fire, 100% contained.

Northern Rockies: PL2, 6 new starts, 3 uncontained large fires.

Greer – Timber, active behavior, evacuations, 300 acres, 0% contained.

Upper Smith – Timber, active behavior, 420 acres, 0% contained.

Great Basin: PL4, light IA, 19 new starts, 7 uncontained large fires, 4 CIMTs.

Claremont – EA Team 1, moderate behavior, light fuels, 6,777 acres, 57% contained.

Cottonwood – GB Team 4, moderate behavior, timber, 97,350 acres, 74% acres.

Babylon – GB Team 2, GB Team 6 mobilizing, extreme behavior, 106,000 acres, 47% contained.

Stookey – UT, brush, extreme behavior, chaparral, 370 acres, 0% contained.

Reservoir – ID, active behavior, light fuels, 350 acres, 90% contained.

Jim Mountain – 100% contained.

Southern Area: PL2, 31 new starts, 7 uncontained large fires.

Quarry Road – NC FS, southern rough, active behavior, southern rough, 300 acres, 10% contained.

Rose Hill Bay – NC FS, active behavior, timber litter, 530 acres, 30% contained.

Potts 09 – FL state, active behavior, southern rough, 320 acres, 50% contained.

Mailbox – FL, southern rough, moderate behavior, 340 acres, 0% contained.



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Sand Mine 53 – Timber, moderate behavior, 185 acres, 50% contained.
Activity continues in TX and SC.

Rocky Mountain: PL4, 8 new starts, 5 uncontained large fires, 7 CIMTs.

Aspen Acres – AK Team 1, NR Team 6 mobilizing, active behavior, 97,900 acres, 34% contained.

Ferris – CA Team 7, extreme behavior, timber and brush, evacuations, 64,500 acres, 23% contained.

Gold Mountain – RM Team 3, RM Team 2 mobilizing, active behavior, evacuations, 34,848 acres, 6% contained.

Willow – SW Team 4, CA Team 8 mobilizing, active behavior, 5,800 acres, 25% contained.

Elk – NW Team 8 mobilizing, active behavior, timber, 370 acres, 0% contained.

Eastern Area: PL2, no new incidents, NIMO Team mobilizing to Superior National Forest.

Thumb – MN, active behavior, timber, evacuations, 150 acres, 0% contained.

Bear Trap – Superior NF, 200 acres.

Alaska: PL2, 3 new starts, 8 uncontained large fires, 5 staffed fires.

Konedsin Minnkohwin – Moderate behavior, timber, 159 acres, 20% contained.

Southwest: PL3, 4 new starts, 2 uncontained large fires, 1 CIMT.

Pocket – CA Team 6, minimal behavior, light fuels, 27,450 acres, 76% contained.

Sacaton – Minimal behavior, timber and brush, received precipitation, 9,800 acres, 52% contained.



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Predictive Services Update National Fire Weather Update (Steve Marien)

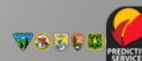
WEATHER SUMMARY

Short-term (Today through Tuesday)

- An increase in activity is likely in most geographic areas into Tuesday due to hot temperatures, areas of breezy winds, and localized lightning
- Hot temperatures will spread further to the north and east into the Northern Rockies, northern Great Plains, and northern Great Lakes with all-time record highs possible, especially in southeast Montana
- Breezy conditions are expected in portions of northeast California, northern Great Basin, Inland Northwest, northern Rockies, and Northern Plains early this week, with widespread moderate to high-risk significant fire potential
- Areas of wet/dry storms will spread north and west from the Southwest through parts of California, Great Basin and eastern Oregon Monday into Tuesday
- The Southeast will remain hot into this evening through Sunday with some relief Monday and Tuesday with areas of showers and storms increasing. Moderate fire potential remains in place across southern Florida and Puerto Rico due expected drier conditions
- Improving conditions early this week across the Southwest as the monsoon continues to ramp up with scattered wet thunderstorms
- Warm temperatures will linger over the eastern Interior Alaska into Sunday evening with isolated thunderstorms over the far eastern tier of the North Slope. Cooler temperatures over western Alaska will spread eastward this week into the eastern tier of the state along with areas of precipitation

Long-term (Wednesday through next Tuesday)

- Well above normal temperatures for the Upper Midwest into next weekend, with mostly dry conditions except for scattered thunderstorms with only localized wetting rain early next week
- Monsoon moisture will continue in the southern Great Basin, Southwest, and southwest Colorado with decreasing potential
- Isolated mixed wet/dry thunderstorms for the northern half of the West Wednesday and possibly Thursday, with some breezy/dry conditions Thursday into Friday
- Another surge of monsoon moisture is likely for the northern half of the West this weekend into early next week, but duration is likely to be short with only localized wetting rain
- Drier conditions are expected in most of the Southern Area late week into next weekend, with concern remaining along the Southeast coast and may include Texas



National Fuels Update (Steve Larrabee)

Expecting Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory from the NW today.



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Resource Update (Sean Peterson)

RESOURCE TYPE	# COMMITTED	# AVAILABLE	# OFF
LAT		26	4
VLAT		3	
SCOOPER		8	
AIR ATTACK		36	
LEAD ASM			
SEAT		54	
SINGLE ENGINE SCOOPERS	21	0	
HELO TYPE1	95	1 CWN	
HELO TYPE2	47	10 CWN	
HELO TYPE3	55	10	
LARGE TRANS			
CIMT	16	12	3 T3 IMTs available
CREW TYPE 1 (IHC)	78	1	
CREW TYPE 2IA	120	8	
CREW TYPE 2	186	623	
SMOKEJUMPERS (LOWER 48)	12	141	
SMOKEJUMPERS (AK)	24	50	
RAPPELERS		124	
CATERERS	15	14	
SHOWERS	25	30	

UTF TYPE	# Resource UTF
AIRCRAFT	
TANKER	8
HELO	
AIR ATTACK	
IR	
UAS	
SCOOPER	6
LEAD/ASM	3
CREWS	2 T1
ENGINES	5
OVERHEAD	120 (SEC)
PENDING	143 overhead, 69 engines, 14 T1/T2IA, 5 T2 crews, 15 helicopters



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Geographic Area (GA) Associate Member Round-Table Update **Alaska – Tyler Anderson – Karis Berrian**

- PL2, light IA, no concerns.

California – Jay Kurth

- PL3. Good progress on Loomis, not anticipating challenges. Elephant is 5,255 acres, placed T3 IMT order, burned onto HTF overnight, anticipating short duration. No additional needs. Job Corp kitchen is committed on ANF while awaiting caterer.

Eastern Area – Paul Lundgren – Steve Goldman

- Several fires will be 209 fires by the end of the day. Ordered NIMO and a T3 IMT for MN. Critical need for aviation support for suppression and logistical support. Concern with incidents in MN crossing the Canadian border.

Great Basin – John Foley

- PL4, light IA, no emerging fires. Sending resources to Elephant, will fill T3 IMT request.

Northern Rockies – Corey Buhl

- PL2, light IA, appreciate resource support.

Northwest – Brian Ebert

- 4 fires of significance with active fire growth and increase in evacuations. 2 Oregon State Fire Marshall's teams in unified command. Balancing resource preposition for incoming weather with large fire support. Messaging fire shelter memo widely. Critical need for T1 and T2IA crews. Interested in hosting additional MAFFS in Klamath Falls.

Rocky Mountain – Paul Cerda

- PL4, light IA, multiple team transitions over the next couple of days. Shelter inspection being implemented. Pulling all resources off Elk. Discussing activating National Guard resources to support Aspen Acres. Discussing surge resources within the GA.

Southern Area – Jason Demas

- PL2, IA remains steady and constant. No critical needs at this time.

Southwest – Mike Spilde

- PL3, re-evaluating on Tuesday, light IA. No critical needs, monitoring monsoonal weather for resource export capability.



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NMAC Agency Updates

USWFS – Chuck Russell – Brian Achziger

- NTR

USFS – Russ Long

- NTR

USFA – Aitor Bidaburu

- NTR

NASF – Greg Smith

- All states holding their own, uptick in IA. Concern with WA state regarding available air attacks, ensuring good coverage, all aviation has been extended to 2000 every evening.

NMAC Operations Report Out

Busy with rotor-wings, pretty well out of CWN.

Rappel was busy yesterday.

Moved Super Puma up to CDA.

Potential for 1 additional rappel platform coming on.

Out of DOI scoopers and SEATS, looking at moving them north.

2 MAFFS deployed in SOPS, 1 had tail swap.

22 UMODS out, CWN still assigned to Gold Mountain.

Cedar City SMKJ moved to Winnemucca to provide coverage.

1 sensor aircraft moving from SW to NW.

1 NIROPS aircraft down until 7/15.

Prioritizing emerging incidents with crews in NOPS.

Monitoring allocations of crews into GB and RM as crews time out.

Ensuring T1 crews are being utilized effectively.

CIMT coming off Wild Goose today.

Steep CIMT hill upcoming with days off and unavailability.

SA Team 1 mobilizing to Boise on proposition.

47 RIST requests.



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Liaison Report Out

International – Sean Peterson

CIFFC remains at PL4, 751 active fires.

Australia has received formal draft request for IMT and 50-60 overhead requests.

Resources will be in US on July 24, international liaison will arrive a couple of days earlier.

NICC staff is working with training to create pre-mobilization package.

Administration

PL – 4 (4.68)

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

Resource Allocation: NTR



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Admin Topics

National Preparedness Level

Recommend remaining at PL4. -Support

MAFFS

2 tails operating out of SOPS.

3 airtankers not being utilized right now, cannot be brought on contract yet.

UTFing airtankers daily.

Recommend adding 2 additional MAFFS tails to the up-to 30 day RFA. -Support

2 tails can be activated in 72 hours.

Requesting MAFFS tails are kept in pairs at 2 locations.

One pair will be in Klamath Falls, CA will discuss second location for SOPS.

Cache

Shelter inspection occurring nationally afternoon of July 13.

Potential delay for resources assigned if there are not an ample amount of fire shelters available at incident supply.

Ample supply of shelters in cache system.

Potential for personnel exchanging pre-2006 fire shelters after inspection as well, impacting supply.

CORs have been contacted and are working on distributing the fire shelter memo to all contracted resources.

Cache will monitor potential fallout.

Complex Incident Management Teams

5 CIMTs on day 13 and 14 in the next couple of days, rotating out.

NW Team mobilizing to Elk, SA Team repositioning in Boise Tuesday.

4 GAs showing available this week, all should be able to fill team requests.

CIMT glidepath will be produced and distributed to associate members daily.

Crews

Mobilized 3 crews to EA.

Crews mobilized to NW and NOPS.

T1 crews mobilized from GB to NOPS.

T2IA crews mobilized from NW to NOPS.

Crews pulled from SW Pocket will be mobilized to NOPS.

Monitoring NR activity and lightning forecast.

RM will have crews timing out in the next couple of days, will supplement internally.

Moving crews from SW farther north.

July 15-20, there will be few crews available.

July 20-27 will see a significant uptick in crew availability.

Several crews have been down for more than 3 days.

