

2026 Interagency Spring Operations Meeting Agenda

AKCIMT, Alaska Fire Science Consortium, Agency Administrator / Fire Management Officers

| Monday, March 16 th | | |
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| 2026 Alaska CIMT Training C&G Session – Command & General Staff | | |
| Pipeline Training Center, 3605 Cartwright Ct, Fairbanks, AK 99709 Virtual Link (Registration Required): ZOOM Meeting | | |
| 0900 | AWFCG & Incident Commanders Meeting | AK CIMT IC's, AOC, AWFCG |
| 1100 | Lunch | |
| 1230 | C&G Welcome & Leaders Intent | IC's |
| 1300 | Discussion – Recruitment, Training, and Successional Planning | C&G |
| 1330 | C&G 2026 Season Working Group Topics | C&G |
| 1515 | Break | |
| 1530 | 2026 All-Hazard Exercise Briefing | Kohley/ Gordy Sachs |
| 1600 | C&G Functional / Section Breakout Topics | C&G |
| 1700 | End | |

| Tuesday, March 17 th | | |
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| 2026 Alaska CIMT Training General Session - All | | |
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| 0800 | C&G Meeting | C&G; C&G Trainees |
| 0830 | Welcome & Leaders Intent | IC's & Kohley |
| 0845 | Alaska Wildfire Coordinating Group & Alaska Operations Committee | AWFCG & AOC |
| 0900 | AK Dispatch, Fire Support, & Fire Business Management Update | Leads |
| 0915 | National Updates (ICAC, IPSC, NWCG) | IC's |
| 0930 | 2026 Alaska Crew Update | AK Crew Supervisors |
| 1000 | Break | |
| 1015 | Exercise – Icebreaker | Kohley & Tresham |
| 1115 | Functional / Section Breakout | Section Chiefs |
| 1200 | Lunch | |
| 1315 | Exercise – NMAC 2026 All-Hazard Exercise Preparation | Kohley & Section Chiefs |
| 1415 | Break | |
| 1430 | Functional / Section Breakout | Section Chiefs |
| 1645 | Daily Review & Next Day Preview | Kohley |
| 1700 | End | |
| 1800 | Evening Social (attendance optional) | |

| Wednesday, March 18th | | |
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| 2026 Alaska CIMT Training General Session - All | | |
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| 0800 | C&G Meeting C&G | C&G Trainees |
| 0830 | Functional / Section Breakout | Section Chiefs |
| 0930 | Speaker – 2026 NMAC Updates | Chuck Russell |
| 1000 | Break | |
| 1015 | Speaker - Managing Complex Environments | Oscar Vargas |
| 1100 | AK Team C&G Functional Report Out | Section Chiefs |
| 1130 | IC Closing Comments | IC's |
| 1145 | Adjourn / Lunch | |

| Wednesday, March 18th | | |
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| Alaska Fire Science Consortium (AFSC) | | |
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| 1330 | AFSC Updates | Hilary Shook |
| 1340 | AFSC Research <i>Fire Science</i> <i>Bonanza Creek Long Term Ecological Research</i> | Kate Hayes, co-PI AFSC, UAF |
| 1410 | Woodwell Climate Research Center | Kayla Mathes, Ludde Ludwig |
| 1430 | Break | |
| 1445 | Fire Behavior <i>Fire Modeling</i> <i>Fire Danger Adj. Ratings</i> <i>Fire Weather Index Updates</i> | Nate Perrine, AICC |
| 1500 | CFFDRS <i>Future Projections & Implications for Boreal Area Burned</i> | Jeremy Littell |
| 1520 | DOI Operational Medical Support Program | Ryan Keogh |
| 1540 | Break | |
| 1600 | Satellite Detection | Jen Delamere, GINA Mike Pavolonis, NOAA NESDIS |
| 1700 | End | |

| Thursday, March 19th | | |
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| 2026 Spring Operations AA/FMO | | |
| Pipeline Training Center, 3605 Cartwright Ct, Fairbanks, AK 99709 | | |
| Virtual Link (Registration Required): ZOOM Meeting | | |
| 0830 | Welcome, Introductions | Justin Ray, Gordon Amundson, ALL |
| 0900 | United States Wildland Fire Service | Kelly Kane, Geographic Area Chief |
| 0915 | Break | |
| 0930 | Agency Fire Management Updates | NMAC BLM/AFS DFFP USFWS NPS USFS BIA ADF&G ADEC TCC Chugachmiut |
| 1045 | Break | |
| 1100 | Agency Administrator Updates | DFFP BLM USFS BIA USFW NPS |
| 1130 | Lunch | |
| 1300 | Operations Update | DFFP- Livingston AFS- Chief of Fire Operations USFS AWFCG Operations Chair AK CIMT Incident Commanders |
| 1400 | Aviation Update | DFFP - Jones AFS - Peterson |
| 1415 | Break | |
| 1430 | Seasonal Outlook | Heidi Strader, Chris Waigl |
| 1450 | Planning Level Tool Updates | Heidi Strader, AICC |
| 1500 | National Weather Service Updates <i>IMET</i> <i>Predictive Service Areas</i> | Ben Bartos, NWS |
| 1515 | FiWePs Group <i>Fire Weather Predictive Services</i> <i>Typical Meteorological Years</i> <i>Invisible Fuel: Tracking Deep Drought</i> <i>Climatology Trends</i> | Joy Fenimore, Ben Bown, Jacob Coffee, UAF |
| 1530 | Break | |
| 1545 | Wildland Firefighter Foundation | Burk Minor, Executive Director |
| 1700 | End | |

Friday, March 20th

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| 0830 | Incident Awareness & Assessment Program | Kathryn Sorenson |
| 0900 | Seasonal Predictions & Tools | Heidi Strader |
| 0930 | Break | |
| 0945 | Statewide Planning <i>MA/OP/FMP Option Updates/Special Management Area Jurisdictional Topics WFDSS/DOA Inform</i> | Hrobak, Finley, Hayes |
| 1045 | Break | |
| 1100 | AWFCG Committee Updates | Committee Chairs; <i>Incident Business, Data Management, Dispatch, Invasive Species, Fire Danger, Fire Modeling & Analysis, FRDAC, Fire Training, Fire Weather, Fuels Management, Health & Wellness, Safety & Health, Education & Prevention</i> |
| 1215 | Closeout | |
| 1230 | End | |