

AMAC Group Conference Call Agenda		
Date: July 24, 2019	Time: 1330	AICC Rep: Stephanie Childs
AMAC Coordinator: Dave Curry	Note Taker: Tim Mowry	
ROLL CALL		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLM AFS – Kent Slaughter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Division of Forestry – Tim Dabney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA – Jake Dollard and Jacquelyn Martin
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWS – Doug Alexander	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chugachmiut – Charlie Sink (Nathan)	<input type="checkbox"/> USFS – Bobette Rowe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS – Chad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AICC – Stephanie Childs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NMAC – Shane McDonald
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AGENDA ITEMS		Notes / Information
<p>National Update: NMAC Liaison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big uptick in IA yesterday and NMAC is evaluating going from PL2 to PL3. They will be discussing that move on Friday 		
<p>Weather Update: AICC Met</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moisture continuing to move into Alaska from the east and spreading across southern half of the state. More moisture is due in from the east and west with heaviest amounts expected in Southcentral, Copper River Basin and Southwest. Rain expected in eastern and central Interior by mid-day tomorrow and western Interior in next two days. • Significant amounts of rain have fallen but not enough to affect dry, deeper layers. • High pressure will build back in after rain but only temporarily. Looks like Upper Yukon Zone will stay dry throughout. • No thunderstorms expected. • Still no season-ending event in forecast as yet. 		
<p>Fuels Update: AICC Analyst</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rain has impacted and will continue to impact FFMCS in southern half of the state over the next 3 days but deeper layers will stay dry even with rain. • Periods of warming and drying will prolong the potential to extend Alaska’s fire season. 		
<p>AICC Update: AICC Rep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light activity so far today. Rolling tankers to new fire along Steese Hwy north of Fairbanks • NICC jet inbound with 5 crews due in today at 1500 and all crews have assignments waiting 		
<p>NMAC Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roving safety stopped at Tanana Middle School to talk to Chalkyitsik and Cornucopia complexes – impressed how everyone is getting along and adapting • Lots of minor bumps and bruises on safety call but nothing serious. Chalkyitsik Complex is having respiratory issues due to heavy smoke and Grouse Creek is reporting headaches due to heavy smoke. Also lots of cases of bugs in eyes on Grouse Creek. Firefighter with burned fingers on Rainbow 2 is on mend and released back to work. • Good discussion on safety call about how ½ inch of rain is not enough to put fires out for those new to Alaska’s resistant-to-control fuels. • Traivs Dotson from Lessons Learned Center will be replacing Terry as NMAC safety rep and will be here through weekend; will evaluate then if we need a replacement. 		
<p>Summary of Statewide Activities by Protecting Agency:</p>		

Including critical needs, IMT Updates

#1 Priority is ALWAYS INITIAL ATTACK

AFS/DOF/FS (Key Updates)

1. Chalkyitsik Complex #466
Smoke issues are impacting mobes/demobes; haven't been able to retrieve two crews yet and this could hinder demobe process for crews flying out on NICC jets
2. Cornucopia Complex #899
Burned out around Bible camp
Still a lot of bear issues
Visibility is not good in Beaver, either; they have not been able to fly today or yesterday
3. Swan Lake #181
Transition plan is in place and team has sent paperwork to AMAC chair for extension; needs to be forwarded to AICC for approval and to Eastern Area GACC for approval. Would be for 7 days or less.
4. Grouse Creek #485
Nothing new
Team's last day is tomorrow and need to check on possible transition team. With fire hooking around to the east it has a lot of area to burn through if the weather doesn't change. Will be monitoring that.
Losing 3 crews and need to check to see if they need/want replacements
5. Shovel Creek #319
Transitions to T3 team tonight at 1700. T3 team is made up of people from the T2 team that's been in place
Should have 3 T2 helos available following transition
Fire still has potential for spread if we don't get forecasted weather
6. Rainbow 2 #409
No aircraft use yet today
Trying to get T21A crew out on fire
7. Smith Creek #534, Kolmakoff Hills #490 and McCally Creek #487
Getting precip in Southwest but getting new starts so there are still dry areas
8. Hess Creek #324
A bit more active on a few fronts but no major issues; southern portion along Elliott Highway is holding well and they are mopping up
9. Kobe #508
No change; wrapping things up
10. Chetaslina #606 and Long #484

Chetaslina got rain last night and today; will probably be pulling people off in next day or two if precip continues
 Nobody on Long Fire

Incident Prioritization: Operations

1. IA / New and Emerging

	PRIORITY LIST	PENDING ACTION	FIRES OF INTEREST
1	#466 Chalkyitsik Complex (T2)	323 Nugget	305 Wilderness
2	#899 Cornucopia Complex (NIMO)	212 Marr	316 Little Mud River
3	#181 Swan Lake (T2)	317 Snowshoe Creek	436 Tulsona Creek
4	#485 Grouse Creek (T3)	351 Page Mountain	250 Sunshine Mountain
5	#319 Shovel Creek (T2)	457 Pete Andrew's Creek	391 NinetyEight Creek
6	#409 Rainbow 2 (T3)	456 Three Castle	217 Yukon Charley / 392 Biederman Bluff
7	#534 Smith Creek (T4)	218 North River	390 Beaver
8	#490 Kolmakoff Hills (T4)	262 Black River	611 Tokaina 2
9	#487 McCally Creek (T4)	174 Old Grouch Top/#352 Hurst Creek	664 Rainy Pass
10	#324 Hess Creek (T3)	662 Lost Jack Lake	
11	#508 Kobe (T3)		
12	#606 Chetaslina/#484 Long (T3)		
13	#535 Mauneluk River (T4)		
14	#551 Boulder Creek (T4)		
15	#464 Hidden Creek		
16	#616 Little Creek		
17	#619 Boney Creek		
18	#312 Bergman Creek (T3)		
19	#361 Lloyd Mountain (T4)		
20	#389 Foraker		
21	#639 West Birch Creek		

Resource Allocation/Long Term Planning: Operations

IMTs / Crews / SMJ / Aviation

IMT's:

- Checking on status of Grouse Creek IMT
- Swan Lake IMT extension to go to short T2 team with personnel from long T2 team has been submitted to AMAC chair. Needs to be approved by AICC and sent to Eastern Area GACC for approval
- AK Black Team close-out is tomorrow afternoon
- Shove Creek IMT close-out meeting is 1700 today at Pearl Creek Elementary School ICP

Crews:

- NICC jet with 5 more crews coming in today at 1500, all crews have assignments waiting

- Still need replacement crew for #616 because they are losing 2 southern Cal hotshot crews; that's the only outstanding crew order
- Grouse Creek is losing three crews but gaining two and that's what they want
- Will lose a few more crews over the weekend and some will be coming off fires with time left
- Shovel Creek has kicked all crews loose
- Swan Lake has two Alaska crews, All L48 crews that time out will not be replaced
- Need to get intel on crew needs for Upper Yukon Zone to figure out if need another jet load; Chalkyitsik is good with crews they have and are mostly a mop-up show now
- Will discuss ordering another jet load of crews tomorrow; would like to have crew orders from fires before we order another jet load

Smokejumpers:

- 3 loads available at start of day
- Put one load out on #664 but only two rounds could jump because of low ceiling; squares went back to McGrath
- One load to Steese Highway fire
- Four loads are coming out tomorrow
- Still 97 jumpers committed
- Number of jumpers is well above normal head count for this time of year

Aviation:

- Aircraft numbers are adequate and we're seeing some aircraft going back into AICC pool

Round Robin by Agency:

BLM / DOF / BIA / FWS / Chugachmiut / USFS / NPS

BLM – Had IMT make a request to set up its on Facebook page. They were told no per DOI policy and went to somebody else to get a different answer. When an IMT is working for an agency they have to follow that agency's policy. Has been straightened out.

DOF – nothing to report

BIA – nothing to report

USFWS – nothing to report

Chugachmiut – nothing to report

USFS – nobody on

NPS – nothing to report

NMAC – nothing to report

Bin Items/Other topics:

- MAC Coordinator trainee coming tomorrow to shadow with Dave Curry for a couple of days
- MAC Crew Coordinator – Joe’s last day is Saturday and AICC will handle crew coordination once he leaves
- PL Level – will discuss tomorrow

Bonus Round: Nothing

Is there a need of an Executive Session? No

Next call/Meeting: July 25, 2019 @1330

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