

AMAC Group Conference Call Agenda		
Date: July 4, 2019	Time: 1330	AICC Rep: Nancy Ellsworth
AMAC Coordinator: Chuck Wamack	Note Taker: Ann Renninger	
ROLL CALL		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLM AFS – Kyle Cowan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Division of Forestry – Tim Dabney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA – Jake Dollard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWS – Doug Alexander	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chugachmiut – Charlie Sink (Nathan)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS – Bobette Rowe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS – Chuck Russell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AICC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NMAC – Shane McDonald
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AGENDA ITEMS		Notes / Information
National Update: NMAC Liaison		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update 		
Weather Update: AICC Met		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Variation between the models and the impact of the ridge. Hot and dry is a surefire thing for the next 7-10 days. CPC two week outlook that's all based on same information. 		
Fuels Update: AICC Analyst		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FFMC's and ISI's for Mat-Su, Copper River and Kenai - still sitting in extreme, continued drying High pressure areas that didn't receive rain: higher RH and moderated temperature, the deep drying is still occurring, Dose of moisture was widespread Reprieve will not last long. 		
AICC Update: AICC Rep		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flying Saskatchewan Scooper over 429, and flew some retardant on it. 312 – 8 SMKJ Load to Galena Jet #11 coming out of north ops, 7/8, two fills on IHC so far. Jet #12 coming out of NW, 7/10, two fills on IHC so far. IHC's have been calling and we are approved up to 22 people, anything over 20 needs to be commercial because they cannot fit on the NICC jet. Fill on NW compact T2 crew from Idaho, arriving tomorrow at 0900 Ordered T2 IA crew out of WA under the NW Compact Crew configuration for 11, Elk Mountain and Modoc is T2 IA's, Eldorado American River and Mud River is IHC's 		
Summary of Statewide Activities by Protecting Agency: Including critical needs, IMT Updates AFS/DOF/FS		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 319 Shovel Creek T1 from PNW took over yesterday. Jet 10 is their first of the crews ordered Competition between new starts. Trying to get ahead of crew order list. Water handling seems to be the continual problem. Canceled Air Attack platform from Montana and filled with 9AK. Evacuations still in place. 		

2. 181 Swan Lake
On a glide path and 2nd day for PNW 13. We did grab their engine task force and Baker River IHC for fire in Anchorage and they got Sub-loaned to fire 429.
Jet load of crews arriving today.
Robert to talk about stealing a crew off the jet
Smoke continues to be an issue, plus 4th of July traffic.
3. 429 Montana Creek
IA late yesterday afternoon.
247 acres yesterday. Sent Canadian scoopers at 1100 today.
Also running retardant. Looking good.
Matt Jones is the T4 IC. Brentwood Reid will be the T3 IC and transition tomorrow.
2 squads plus Baker River, UAF crew is demobing from 416 and will mobilize to 429 today.
Small blowout on southwest side, but caught it. Rest of fire has little activity.
Lots of private land and residence, so higher priority and bumped up above Boundary River.
4. 363 Boundary River
Fairly moderated but as things heat up, expect that to pick up.
T2 helicopter arrived yesterday.
Asked about T1 helicopter for availability. Alaskan National Guard Blackhawk for the weekend in Palmer They have 700 gallon bucket.
TCC crew arriving tomorrow, after mandatory days off.
5. 324 Hess Creek
Minimal fire activity. Received 3/100th of an inch of precipitation over the fire yesterday.
Structure prep is ongoing. Burns Wildland fire module, arrived today. Elko helicopter should arrive today.
Great Basin/Idaho T3 Team will be coming to fill behind.
6. 323 Nugget
Still a monitor status. Couple engines out there mostly for public info
7. 391 Ninetyeight Creek
Bumped up to 10% containment. Low visibility and fog, so weren't able to get aviation on there, but largely heavy mop up and lot of work to contain. No change from yesterday.
8. 361 Lloyd Mountain
Tanana Zones #1 fire
Did send out a boat operator and shooter. Continue to have bear issues.
Structure and allotment protection.
9. 379 Christian River
Still continuing to mop up with vigor
10. 349 Chandalar River
Begin multiple allotment protection efforts, working hard to keep the fire from spotting across the Chandalar, prepared for burnout operations, otherwise all same as yesterday.
11. 262 Black River
Looking to burn out soon, weather dependent. A lot of their line is in place and ready to roll. If they do that, should be two days from being done, so hopefully by end of this weekend they will be wrapped up and out of there.
12. 348 Tractor Trail 2
Moving SMKJ around allotments to finish up work

In meeting prior to this, we rearranged priorities and Montana Creek went into #3 so Boundary and everything else bumped below that. Brought Bergman up into the black up to #15 for today. Agreed by all.

Incident Prioritization: Operations (IA / New and Emerging)

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13. 355 Eagle
14. 337 Hadweenzie
15. 312 Bergman
16. 389 Foraker
17. 407 Bearnose Hill
18. 342 Tinkduhl Lake

PENDING ACTION

- 350 Beaver
- 321 Little Crazy Mountain
- 212 Marr
- 392 Biederman Bluff
- 217 Yukon Charley
- 329 Victoria Mountain
- 317 Snowshoe Creek
- 133 McArthur Creek
- 409 Rainbow 2
- 318 Iksgiza

FIRES OF INTEREST

- 305 Wilderness
- 316 Little Mud Creek
- 367 Frozen Calf

Resource Allocation/Long Term Planning: Operations

IMTs / Crews / SMJ / Aviation

- Heard from AICC briefing, two additional jetloads are being filled.
- Jet #11: 3 IHC and two T2IA, slated for deliver on the 8th.
- IMT T2 ordered to come to Fairbanks. Arriving tomorrow. They are not assigned to fire, so no AA that they're negotiating with but rostered to travel north. Because it's under prevue of

AICC, coming up with full roster, which means they are allowed 6 trainees and also an add'l 8 priority trainees that are negotiable. Recommend not having all 8 priority trainees, 4 would be more appropriate. If more needed after that, the incident management team can negotiate with the AA. Agreed by all.

- Teams: 324 update for Hess, zone pushed button on T3 team. Great Basin Idaho filling that request.
- Aviation: besides Montana Creek, pretty busy. 319 needed tactical resources, yesterday was slow, so resetting. Slight shuffling of air attack. No shortages. Sitting on enough to cover IA and emerging incidents. One helicopter enroute still and is for the pool so not assigned to anything.
- Smoke Jumpers: Doing well on smokejumpers. Pushed a load up to Galena today, pushed a load up to 312, we will be getting 16 tomorrow off of 379. 10 add'l available about now coming up from lower 48.

Round Robin by Agency:

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

- BLM: no report
- DOF:
Biggest concern with Shovel Creek is with incoming hot/dry weather and have a narrow window to begin burn out operations for tomorrow. Will result in Ready, Set, Go ramping up for some communities.
Competition of resources, conflict of IA vs. supporting burn out. Another matter: Spoke about this a few days ago, still haven't seen anything on burn suspensions or bans. Not aligning our terminology, so need to do something to support public education. Would be great to have a map to show fire restrictions in geographic area. We have nothing to show the public.
Beth – no one has a map where the restrictions are – there is no visual like that. It would help mitigate some of the confusion.
Robert – two Prevention teams for south of the range. One prevention team for the north. They will be working for Dan Govoni – Prevention. Maybe they can help with some of these issues.
Tim – fixing something next year is great, but we need to do something about right now.
- BIA – nothing to add
- FWS – need to touch base with folks for NMAC visit
- Chugachmiut: Susitna Valley has a million + acres in beetle kill, is Montana creek fire behaving differently because of it? No one had an answer.
- USFS:
Re: Beetle kill, there is aerial data with beetle kill areas denoted for analysis.
No big change from yesterday. Increased concern on Chugach, especially Western Chugach with holiday and the weekend to follow.
Info re: requested safety team from yesterday. Have liaison in with MAC group, basically risk and safety with the MAC group to help coordinate a small team to work their way around the state, and those locations decided and prioritized through AMAC. As part of this call each day, a short report out with anything that is safety specific. Could go as far as reaching out to safety on established team. Able to identify Tracy Swinsco out of R4 regional office, will be able to lead that effort in Fairbanks as liaison with MAC group. Order went through to get him here and should arrive tomorrow. One conversation w/Terri: he thought perhaps third individual could be on mobile team, and asked if anyone had someone from Alaska that had

that insight and knowhow and would be familiar with area. Is Julian available to come up? Not immediately, has prior commitments but may be able to in a few days. Kelly King: what's her schedule? Will reach out to see her status.

- NPS:
No immediate concerns. AWFCG members to reach out to their agencies: shortage of things (boat operators, shooters, etc) some of those little things are in need.

Planning level: team on order but not needed. Still at PL4 is there a need for discussion? Not necessary to go to PL5 to have incident management in place.

BIN Items / Other Topics:

Decision(s):

1. Rearranged priorities and Montana Creek went into #3 so Boundary and everything else bumped below that. Brought Bergman up into the black up to #15 for today.
2. Only have 4 add'l priority trainees on a roster. IC team can negotiate with AA if more are needed.

Bonus Round:

Beetle Kill answer: some beetle kill on fire but not real heavy spruce component on the fire itself.

Is there a need of an Executive Session? No

Next call/Meeting: 7/5/19 @ 1330