

AMAC Group Conference Call Agenda		
Date: July 7, 2019	Time: 1330	AICC Rep: Tom Evans
AMAC Coordinator: Chuck Wamack	Note Taker: Ann Renninger	
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
<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 Russel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AICC	<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"> Communicating with Sean at NICC, question about SMKJ availability. He felt since we have over 100 jumpers and fewer than 100 jumpers in lower 48, they are expecting lightning in most of the western states today and over the next couple of days, so he made the call to UTF our requests. Great Basin went to PL2 due to some fire activity With the recycling of jumpers they may be able to send jumpers at the end of the week. 		
<p>Weather Update: AICC Met</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High pressure now working up to North and West, creating instability behind it, so slim chance of dry lightening Chance for convection increase through SW Trough drops down from North and stays to east side of state Continue with hot/dry weather 		
<p>Fuels Update: AICC Analyst</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fires that were once sleepers are becoming really active, particularly in SW area and Upper Yukon Potential in Southern area and areas w/bullseye that were qualified as mopped up could come alive again with the deeper duff layer Some winds are not being forecasted as well, which impacts the analysis, so if there is feedback or intel get it back to us so we can make better forecasting Working on long term assessment for seasonality report 		
<p>AICC Update: AICC Rep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PL4 T2 team on standby 5 air tankers 4 water scoopers 3 AA 8 Fire Bosses Attempts to move Fire Bosses to Galena were unsuccessful due to smoke Rainbow 2 requested air tankers this morning, but too smoky to send 8 SMKJ's moved to Palmer 		
<p>Summary of Statewide Activities by Protecting Agency: Including critical needs, IMT Updates</p>		

AFS/DOF/FS

1. 319 Shovel Creek

973 structures under one of 3 levels of evacuation
Securing line on west flank, east flank: improving line and holding
Improving structure protection east and west along Chatanika River
East Flank, improving line and holding
South end: Murphy Dome road, improving structure protections
Yesterday's firing ops successful
Biggest concern: smoke and inability to fly
Single resources as critical needs still

2. 181 Swan Lake

Approx 1 - 1½ mile growth on east side where the drainage is
SE corner has some fire growth
North: point protection along the pipeline
East flank: crews triaging structures
Resurrection Trail south end closure order
West end: continuing with mop up
Biggest concern is hazard tree removal in the south
Putting in more line along the Sterling Hwy
Getting T1 helicopter, Chinook until they can get T1 from lower 48
NMAC will visit them tomorrow

3. 362 Boundary River

Continuing with allotment and structure protection
Used scoopers yesterday and helicopters for bucket work and expect the same today
NIMO team inbrief is 7/9 @ 1300
Doing recon flight today, acreage isn't matching up

4. 429 Montana Creek

30% contained
Level 1 evac along Montana Creek
Making good progress with mop up
All structure protection in place
Released one helicopter, another helicopter on standby in Big Lake
Biggest concern: driving – roads narrow, dusty, lots of local traffic

5. 407 Bearnose Hill / 367 Frozen Calf

Bearnose, Frozen Calf and Tractor Trail 2 are very similar/related
Very active fire behavior, some plume dominated
Folks out doing assessment on structure protections
Zone trying to put together T3 organization in place for structure protection primarily around Chalkyitsic
Very active fire behavior, with smoke and winds we may see a lot of smoke coming our way

6. 409 Rainbow 2

Decent growth
King's Peak Fire Use Module inbound

7. 324 Hess Creek
Up over 115,000 Acres
PSD and ground lighting
Zimmerman T3 IMT to inbrief today, shadow tomorrow and will take command 7/9
One minor injury: cut finger

8. 361 Lloyd
Mostly structure and allotment protection
Saw some good activity on the fire yesterday
Trigger points are in place for Operation Super Soaker

9. 312 Bergman
Growing series of allotments and structure protection efforts along the Koyukuk River
Have a couple loads of jumpers and moving crews up once they are available

10. 391 NinetyEight Creek
Working on turn back standards
300 foot mop up around fire
Still at 69 acres

11. 349 Chandalar River
Lots of protection efforts in place
Anticipate to start burning if conditions are good today
Concern: fire jumping Chandalar River

Priority list: Approved by all

Incident Prioritization: Operations - IA / New and Emerging

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12. 349 Chandalar River
13. 337 Hadweenzie
14. 262 Black River
15. 389 Foraker
16. 217 Yukon Charlie

PENDING ACTION

255 Caribou
355 Eagle
436 Tulsona
348 Tractor Trail 2
379 Christian River
323 Nugget
350 Beaver
321 Little Crazy Mountain
212 Marr
392 Bierdman Bluff
328 Victoria Mountain
317 Snowshoe Creek
133 McArthur Creek
318 Iksigiza
351 Page Mountain
424 Tettjajik

FIRES OF INTEREST

305 Wilderness
316 Little Mud Creek

Resource Allocation/Long Term Planning: Operations

IMTs / Crews / SMJ / Aviation

Still have T2 out at NW staged and ready
NMAC assisting with getting a boost of add'l crews, two loads (one to Anchorage, one to Fairbanks) on the 10th, with one load demob'ing back, for a gain of 5
State is bringing in another NW Compact Crew, T2IA
SMKJ's: requests not being filled at this time
NICC approved the jump ship from Redding
Aviation: moderate activity, no competition for resources. Ordered an add'l heavy tanker
State ordered add'l T3 helicopters
Ordered National Guard Black Hawks for stand by
Recurring theme: visibility is an issue due to smoke
Aviation safety team here today
FS Quality Assurance team arrives this evening

Round Robin by Agency:

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

BLM: reminder – when we talk to coordinator on duty at NICC, SMKJ are our only IA resources whereas the lower 48 has other resource options for IA

DOF: Rainbow 2 going to fire use module with an IC T3

362 has NIMO team

Priority trainees: initial 6 are okay, the next eight are the ones that are getting nixed and then being filled by folks on National Priority list, not the GACC priority list. Concern on this is cost containment.

Visibility for air ops could hamper burn out ops on Shovel
On Kenai Peninsula – federal agencies are going to be imposing burn closures, conversation to take place this afternoon.

FWS: nothing to report

Chugachmiut: nothing new

FS: Swan Lake fire just increased in engagement with delegation of authority

Closure on Resurrection Trail area

If models and operations line up, within 24 hrs the fire could reach the public use cabins

Good conservative method to get the public out of that area

Engaged with OEM evacuation plan for Cooper Landing

BIA: Yukon Zone regarding allotment protection: had conversation with FMO about concerns with placing individuals on allotments in between those two fires, and they look like they may converge at some point. This is a safety concern and passed that on the Agency Administrator.

Other concerns: Time to have conversation about PL level

NPS:

Echo the concern about resources for IA for Alaska vs. the lower 48, as their resources are more than SMKJ's. Would like that message to get back to NMAC

With Dornier coming up, that allows for another paracargo, with logistics, that will take more jumpers as well

BIN Items / Other Topics:

PL Level: recommend we go to PL5 based on emerging incidents and heavy smoke.

Decision(s):

Move to PL5 as of July 7 at this time (1415 hrs)

Bonus Round:

Need to get hold of the following for safety call tomorrow: Boundary River, Montana Creek,

Is there a need of an Executive Session? Yes

Next call/Meeting: July 8, 2019