

AMAC Group Conference Call Agenda		
Date: August 19, 2019	Time: 1330	AICC Rep: Hilary Shook
AMAC Coordinator:		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 – Tom Morgan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWS – Doug Alexander	<input type="checkbox"/> Chugachmiut –	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS – Bobette Rowe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS – Chuck Russell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AICC – Hilary Shook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NMAC – Shane McDonald
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AGENDA ITEMS		Notes / Information
Weather Update: Heidi Strader, AICC Met <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winds subsiding with cooler temperatures and higher RHs. No precipitation in immediate forecast for Southcentral and Southwest. Rain possible a week from tomorrow. 		
Fuels Update: Heidi Strader, AICC Analyst <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BUIs in Southcentral remain extreme and off the charts compared to years past. All duff layers are extremely dry. High values will remain until significant rain. 		
Summary of Statewide Activities by Protecting Agency:		
Alaska Fire Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dump fire outside of Galena but took no action 		
Division of Forestry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> #738 McKinley 3,000 acres. Has burned down to Mile 86 of Parks Hwy. Parks Hwy shut down to one lane with long delays. 50+ structure destroyed; doing assessments to get better count of structures lost. AK Green T2 IMT is taking over fire at 2000 tonight. Kurth will be deputy IC. #181 Swan Lake 140,000 acres, gain of 35,000 acres from yesterday Jumped Sterling Hwy and pushed to Skilak Lake Sterling Hwy was closed all day and night but scheduled to reopen at noon today. Kenai River was shut down and there were some accountability issues because of people accessing the river when they weren't supposed to. Campgrounds and boat launches have been evacuated In brief with Great Basin T1 IMT at 2100 tonight; shadow day tomorrow; TOC on Wednesday Getting resource orders in is key #736 Deshka Landing 1,800 acres Looking for more crews and are scheduled to get 3 from tomorrow's jet load. PNW 10 T2 IMT will take fire; no time set yet for inbrief. #181 Swan Lake No new updates from a.m. - still on glide path to transfer fire to T3 on July 31. 		

- #751 North Fork
Near Homer; 80 acres but might lose it.
Ordered two T1 crews
- #752 Levelock
Fire was threatening village but moved past it.
Villagers working the fire with heavy equipment.
Smokejumpers on the ground.

USFS

- No emerging incidents on Chugach or Tongass.
- Russian River campground and Resurrection Trail and public-use cabins closed due to Swan Lake Fire.
- More rangers to Seward District for Sterling Hwy issues and closures.
- Increased IA capacity due to high fire danger in Chugach NF.

Incident Prioritization: Operations

PRIORITY LIST

1. #738 McKinley
2. #181 Swan Lake
3. #736 Deshka Landing
4. #751 North Fork
5. #752 Levelock

Resource Allocation/Long Term Planning: Operations

No discussion

Round Robin by Agency:

BLM

- Stripped off IA resources and providing helos to assist DOF.
- Type 2 crews available from zones.
- J-17 returned to Fairbanks from Talkeetna due to incident within incident; OAS inspection tomorrow.

DOF

- Sterling Hwy opened with two-lane traffic and no pilot cars.
- Communities near North Fork Fire are under Level 1 evacuation alert.
- Four jet loads of crews ordered – one arrives tonight, one tomorrow, one Wednesday and one Thursday

USFWS

- Wondering how many T2 crews available in Alaska? 6 to 9 but won't know until get orders.

BIN Items / Other Topics:

- Do we need an Air Resource Advisor?
Would be a good idea since Anchorage is smoked in.
USFS can provide desk space in Anchorage.
- IMT Liaisons
Ed Sanford has been ordered as a liaison for the Great Basin T1 IMT.
Waiting to hear back from Ed Soto for liaison for PNW 10 T2 IMT.
- IC Call?
DOF would like to keep IC updates as part of daily prepo call, since all fires are state fires.
- FMAG for McKinley Fire
Has been submitted to Dave Whitmer and should qualify.
Question about whether FMAG can be submitted for federal fire (i.e. Swan Lake) if it affects private land? Don't think so but Schmoll will contact FEMA and inquire.

Decision(s):

None

Bonus Round: None

Is there a need of an Executive Session? No

Next call/Meeting: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 @ 1330.