

| AMAC Group Conference Call Agenda | | |
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| Date: August 21, 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 – Reeves |
| <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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PNW 10 liaison – Clinton Northway |
| AGENDA ITEMS | Notes / Information | |
| <p>Weather Update: Heidi Strader, AICC Met</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No real changes. Temperatures forecast to be in the 60s in Southcentral with RHs in the mid to upper 30s or even low 40 percent range. Should be more cloud cover moving in. Still no good chance of precip. Possible showers on Friday but probably light. Possibility of a bigger system moving in over the weekend but not confident that will happen. Winds in the forecast for late tonight and tomorrow with east flow through the Kenai Peninsula and more of a south/southwest flow in the Susitna Valley. Top-end gusts expected to be in the mid-teens to 20 mph. Sustained winds 8-12 mph. Elsewhere around the state, it's drier in the west but wet in the north and east part of the state. Panhandle getting rain. | | |
| <p>Fuels Update: Chris Moore, AICC Analyst</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Still critically dry at all levels in the duff. All it took was a 5 mph wind to increase activity on the McKinley Fire yesterday. The extreme dry conditions are making fires extremely resistant to control and extinguishment and the duff layers are so dry that live trees are falling due to lack of stability. | | |
| <p>Summary of Statewide Activities by Protecting Agency:</p> <p>Alaska Fire Service No activity, though the west/northwest perimeter of the Grouse Creek Fire is showing more activity.</p> <p>Division of Forestry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> #181 Swan Lake 149,959 acres, 20 percent, 230 personnel. Great Basin T1 IMT took over fire at 0700 today. No big changes Putting in dozer line on the southwest side and plumbing those lines. Opening up contingency lines put in by previous teams. Sterling Highway continues to be a problem with intermittent closures and long delays. No evacuations in place. Community meeting in Cooper Landing at 1800 today and same time in Sterling. Tomorrow's jet load of crews is scheduled to go to Swan Lake. #738 McKinley 4,349 acres, 5% contained, 201 personnel. Probably 200 acres of additional growth yesterday on southeast and northeast perimeters. | | |

Fuels driven fire; burning even without wind.
Sweeping structures and getting count on structures destroyed.
Rumors of looting but not verified; Alaska State Troopers are patrolling.
Getting more engines down to fire and working to get sixth task force of engines put together.
Level 3 evacuation for over 2,000 people.

- **#736 Deshka Landing**

Making good progress.
40+ residences in Level 3 evacuation around Red Shirt Lake.
Got a few crews in yesterday.
Old beetle kill area; snags coming down creating safety issues and hazards
Level 1 evacuation for Swan and Crystal lakes.

- **#754 Caribou Lake**

700 acres, 1 crew and a load of smokejumpers.
6 miles east of East End Road.
Continuing to hit that fire with retardant and water drops.
Going to Type 3.
30 structures threatened

- **#751 North Fork**

59 acres, 15% contained.
North of Homer
Zig Zag hotshots and one dozer working on fire.
Dozer line around it

USFS

- No emerging incidents.
- Heightened resource available for ia, extensive patrol for human

Incident Prioritization: Operations

PRIORITY LIST

1. #181 Swan Lake
2. #738 McKinley
3. #736 Deshka Landing
4. #754 Caribou Lake
5. #751 North Fork

Resource Allocation/Long Term Planning: Operations

- Ordered 5th jet load yesterday and it will be all Type 21A crews.
- Canadian scoopers – 3 arrived today and 1 is still enroute.
- Air space and frequency coordinator arriving today to manage air space and radio frequencies.

- J-12 should be available this afternoon.
- J-17 still out of service indefinitely.
- J-07 in Kenai with load of jumpers.

Round Robin by Agency:

BLM AFS

- Wondering if Great Basin Team 1's Delegation of Authority will be amended to incorporate the Caribou Lake Fire near Homer? If so, just want to make sure costs are tracked correctly for resources going to Caribou Lake Fire.

DOF

- State forestry issued burn closure for Kenai Peninsula and Mat-Su Valley today.
- The Great Basin 1 IMT will be taking over the Caribou Lake Fire at 0700 on Friday.
- It was a good stroke bringing on an air resource advisor.

BIA

- Nothing to report.

USFWS

- Concerned about Great Basin T1 team taking over Caribou Lake because of cost tracking and logistics of supporting a fire that far away from Swan Lake Fire.

USFS

- Campfire restrictions in Chugach NF went into effect campfires at dispersed camping sites and in established campgrounds.
- Looking at possibility of bringing on a Risk Management Assistance team. USFS allows for 1 or more individuals to support agency administrators when dealing with complex situations (i.e. multiple incidents on a unit) and USFS is looking at doing so because of how outside the norm it is for Alaska to have this kind of fire activity this late in the season. Agency Administrator Francisco Sanchez is vetting the idea. Could help the Great Basin T1 IMT with long-term strategy planning. Could be brought in or work virtually. Want to make that available around the state if there is a need outside of Swan Lake Fire.

NPS

- Nothing to report.

NMAC

- Nothing to report

BIN Items / Other Topics:

- **AMAC notes**
Get posted on AICC page under MAC link.
- **Air Resource Advisor**

If people are not getting information from the ARA they can email Heidi Strader and she will get it to you.

- **Air space and frequency coordinator**

Gary Rose will start in Fairbanks but will likely go to Palmer and Kenai at some point.

Decision(s):

None

Bonus Round: None

Is there a need of an Executive Session? No

Next call/Meeting: Thursday, August 22 , 2019 @ 1330.

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