

# Cove Creek Fire

**0413 P4MJ90**

**Incident Number**

**ID-SCF-019218**

**5,304 acres\***

*\*IR flight on 08/22/2019 @ 2200*

**Incident  
Commander**

**Eric Platz; Nick Schreiner (t)**

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**Operations**

**Melissa Sartor;  
Tyler Brothers (t)**

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**Safety**

**Laney Cutshaw**

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Link to pdf's for all Incident Maps:



**Operational Period:**

**8/25/2018**

**0600-2200**

Incident Objectives		1. Incident Name		2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared	
				Cove Creek Fire		8/24/19
4. Operational Period		8/25/19	0600-2200			
5. General Control Objectives for the Incident (include Alternatives)						
1	<i>Ensure all operations reflect a commitment to incident personnel and public safety commensurate with the values at risk and probability of success.</i>					
2	<i>Implement reasonable efforts to keep the fire north of the Salmon River, west of Spring Creek, and east of Colson Creek.</i>					
3	<i>Minimize impacts to private property, habitat of protected species, cultural and archeological sites.</i>					
4	<i>Provide safe access along the Salmon River road for both firefighters and the public.</i>					
6. Weather Forecast for Operational Period						
See Attached Cove Creek Spot Weather Forecast for 08-25-2019 <a href="#">NOAA Fire Wx Zones</a>						
7. General Safety Message						
See Safety Message						
8. Attachments (check if attached)						
X	202		Safety Message	X	220	
X	204	X	215 A	X	Map	
X	Comm	X	214			
X	206					
ICS-202		9. Prepared by			10. Approved by (IC)	
		Droske			/s/	

## ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST

<b>Incident Name:</b> Cove Creek Fire		<b>Operational Period:</b> Date From: 08/25/2019      Date To: 08/26/2019			
<b>Incident Commander(s)</b>			<b>Operations Section</b>		
T3 IC	Eric Platz	208-351-7642	Ops Chief	Melissa Sartor	
T3 IC (t)	Nick Schreiner (t)	208-739-3719	Ops Chief (t)	Tyler Brothers	208-993-1760
			Divisions		
Safety Officer	Laney Cutshaw	208-315-3408	TFLD	Justin Cavasso	
Public Info. Officer	Jose Acosta	208-258-4126	TFLD (t)	Jim Pierson	208-756-7102
	Email: Acosta.Fire.Info@gmail.com		TFLD	Kevin Wangsgard	208-604-1161
			TFLD (t)	Chris Greenstein	
<b>Agency/Organization Representatives</b>					
Agency Administrator	Ken Gebhardt	208-303-8110			
SCNF Public Info. Officer	Amy Baumer	208-756-5145			
Central ID Dispatch		208-756-5157			
SCNF Forest FMO	Fritz Cluff	208-303-8154			
North Zone Duty Officer	Mike Smith				
<b>Planning</b>					
	Christine Droske	406-529-1750	<b>Air Operations</b>		
			Air Attack		
<b>Logistics Section</b>					
Logistics	Ryan Jones		<b>Finance/Administration</b>		
Logistics (t)	Jessica Martin				
Medical Unit Leader	Bruce Hicks			Tina Finley	208-756-5157
Security	Jane Lebeda				
Base Camp Mgr (t)	Hannah Branz				
<b>Prepared by:</b> Name: Droske      Date/Time: 8/23/2019 @ 2100					

Fire Weather Planning Forecast for Southeast Idaho National Weather Service Pocatello ID  
242 PM MDT Sat Aug 24 2019  
IDZ475-251045-East Salmon River Mountains/Salmon NF-

.DISCUSSION.....GUSTY WIND AND VERY LOW HUMIDITY EXPECTED WITH COLD FRONT SUNDAY...

An approaching low with a very dry cold front has increased the wind and lowered the humidity today, and this will continue Sunday as the actual front crosses through central Idaho. This will keep weather conditions at critical thresholds for fire. Cooler air behind the front and weaker wind on Monday should reduce the threat. There is still little to no precipitation for the next week, except for a thunderstorm threat on Thursday.

.SUNDAY...

- \* Sky/weather.....Sunny.
- \* Max Temperature....66-73 valleys and 59-66 ridges.  
24 hr trend.....Down 9.
- \* Min Humidity.....26-34 percent.  
24 hr trend.....Up 6.
- \* 20ft winds.....  
Valleys/lwr slopes...West 2 to 8 mph increasing to 12 to 17 mph in the afternoon.  
Ridges/upr slopes....West 7 to 12 mph with gusts to 20 mph increasing to 14 to 24 mph with  
gusts to 40 mph in the afternoon.
- \* Chc Wetting Rain...Zero.
- \* LAL.....1.
- \* Haines Index.....3.
- \* Mixing Height.....8750-9750 ft AGL.
- \* Transport Winds....West 10 mph increasing to 25 mph in the afternoon.

.SUNDAY NIGHT...

- \* Sky/weather.....Clear.
- \* Min Temperature....40-47 valleys and around 39 ridges.  
24 hr trend.....Down 6.
- \* Max Humidity.....68-76 percent.  
24 hr trend.....Up 18.
- \* 20ft winds.....  
Valleys/lwr slopes...Northwest 15 to 20 mph decreasing to 2 to  
7 mph after midnight.
- \* Ridges/upr slopes....Breezy. Northwest 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 40 mph decreasing to 4 to 10  
mph with gusts to 15 mph after midnight.
- \* Chc Wetting Rain...Zero.
- \* LAL.....1.
- \* Haines Index.....3.
- \* Mixing Height.....800-1800 ft AGL.
- \* Transport Winds....Northwest 25 mph in the evening.

.MONDAY...

- \* Sky/weather.....Sunny.
- \* Max Temperature....66-73 valleys and 59-66 ridges.  
24 hr trend.....Little change.
- \* Min Humidity.....21-29 percent.  
24 hr trend.....Down 5.
- \* 20ft winds.....  
Valleys/lwr slopes...Northwest 2 to 7 mph.  
Ridges/upr slopes....Northwest 3 to 9 mph. Gusts up to 15 mph  
in the afternoon.
- \* Chc Wetting Rain...Zero.
- \* LAL.....1.
- \* Haines Index.....3.
- \* Mixing Height.....6250-7250 ft AGL.
- \* Transport Winds....Becoming northwest 10 mph in the afternoon.

.Forecast days 3 through 7.....

- .TUESDAY...Clear. Lows 39 to 46. Highs 66 to 73. North winds 10 to 15 mph with gusts to 20 mph.
- .WEDNESDAY...Clear. Lows 43 to 50. Highs 71 to 78. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.
- .THURSDAY...Clear. Lows 48 to 55. Highs 73 to 80. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.
- .FRIDAY...Partly cloudy. Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s.  
Highs in the mid 70s.
- .SATURDAY...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 50s. Highs in the mid 70s.

<b>DIVISION ASSIGNMENT LIST</b>		1. IC Name			2. Division/Group	
		<i>Eric Platz; Nick Schreiner (t)</i>			<b>A</b>	
3. Incident Name		4. Operational Period				
<i>Cove Creek Fire</i>		Date: <i>8/25/19</i>		Time: <i>0600 - 2200</i>		
<b>5. Operations Personnel</b>						
Operations Chief	<i>Melissa Sartor; Tyler Brothers (t)</i>	Division/Group Supervisor			<i>Justin Cavasso Jim Pierson (t)</i>	
Safety Officer	<i>Laney Cutshaw</i>	Air Attack Supervisor No.			AA-0TG	
<b>6. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team/ Task Force/ Resource Designator	Leader	Number Persons	Reporting Location	Medical Responder/Eqpt.	Last Shift	
<i>Kings Peak WFM</i>	<i>Gregory Kolberg</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>ICP</i>		<i>09/02</i>	
<i>E 641</i>	<i>Colton Bates</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>ICP</i>		<i>08/31</i>	
<i>E 681</i>	<i>Jay Hulse</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>ICP</i>		<i>08/31</i>	
<i>South Idaho T2 IA</i>	<i>Rob Macdonald</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>ICP</i>		<i>09/02</i>	
<i>EMPF</i>	<i>Mike Porter</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>ICP</i>	<i>ALS</i>	<i>09/02</i>	
7. Control Operations						
<b>Monitor and Patrol</b>						
8. Special Instructions						
<b>Monitor from Road 243 looking into Owl Creek</b>						
<b>South Idaho T2 IA tie in with AA for day's assignment</b>						
<b>E 681 and South Idaho T2 IA are available for IA</b>						
<b>All Supply Orders for today's needs must be into Ops by 0900 ; for tomorrow's needs by 1500</b>						
<b>9. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
Function	Channel	Frequency RX	Frequency TX	Tone	Assignment	Remarks
Command					<i>CMD</i>	<i>To Dispatch/ICP</i>
<b>Tactical</b>	<i>Tac 1</i>	<i>See comm plan</i>			<b>#N/A</b>	<b>Operations</b>
Air to Ground					<i>All</i>	<i>Air Operations</i>
State Com	<i>16</i>	<i>155.2800</i>	<i>155.2800</i>	<i>156.7</i>	<i>ID EMS 2</i>	<i>Medical Only</i>
Prepared by <i>Droske</i>		Approved by		Date <i>08/24/2019</i>	Time <i>2100</i>	

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<i>Cove Creek Fire</i>		Date: <i>8/25/19</i>		Time: <i>0600 - 2200</i>		
<b>5. Operations Personnel</b>						
Operations Chief	<i>Melissa Sartor; Tyler Brothers (t)</i>		Division/Group Supervisor		<i>Kevin Wangsgard Chris Greenstein (t)</i>	
Safety Officer	<i>Laney Cutshaw</i>		Air Attack Supervisor No.		AA-0TG	
<b>6. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team/Task Force/Resource Designator	Leader	Number Persons	Reporting Location	Medical Responder/Eqpt.	Last Shift	
<i>Ramshorn WFM</i>	<i>Joe Getty</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Spring Spike</i>		<i>09/02</i>	
<i>E 613</i>	<i>John Hurd</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Spring Spike</i>		<i>09/03</i>	
<i>SOF2</i>	<i>Don Fullmer</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Spring Spike</i>		<i>09/02</i>	
<i>EMT</i>	<i>Jordan Foster</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Spring Spike</i>		<i>08/25</i>	
7. Control Operations						
<b>Monitor and Patrol</b>						
8. Special Instructions						
<b>Monitor from 043 Road looking into East Owl Creek</b>						
<b>All Supply Orders for today's needs must be into Ops by 0900 ; for tomorrow's needs by 1500</b>						
<b>Spring Spike Camp is located at DP-35</b>						
<b>EMT Jordan Foster will leave Spring Spike by 1600 to travel to ICP for demob</b>						
<b>9. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
Function	Channel	Frequency RX	Frequency TX	Tone	Assignment	Remarks
Command					<i>CMD</i>	<i>To Dispatch/ICP</i>
<b>Tactical</b>	<b>Tac 2</b>				<b>#N/A</b>	<b>Operations</b>
Air to Ground					<i>All</i>	<i>Air Operations</i>
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Prepared by <i>Droske</i>		Approved by		Date <i>08/24/2019</i>		Time <i>2100</i>

<b>AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY</b>		1. Incident Name		Helibases		Salmon Airbase (SAB)			
		Cove Creek Fire		Fixed Wing Bases					
4. Personnel and Communications	Name	Air/Air Frequency		Air/Ground Frequency		5. Remarks (Spec. Instructions, Safety Notes, Hazards, Priorities)			
Air Attack Supervisor	AA-0TG			167.6000 RX	167.6000 TX	Refer to TFR			
6. Location/Function	7. Assignment	8. Fixed Wing		9. Helicopters		10. Time		11. Aircraft Assigned	12. Operating Base
		No.	Type	No.	Type	Available	Commence		
				3CH	1			Chinook	SALMON AIRBASE
				6BH	1			Firehawk	SALMON AIRBASE
13. Totals									
14. Air Operations Support Equipment					15. Prepared by (include Date and Time)				
					Droske 08/24/2019 at 2100				

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS			1. Incident Name Cove Creek Fire		2. Date/Time Prepared 08/24/2019 @ 2100			3. Operational Period Date/Time 08/25/2019 0600-2200	
Ch.	Function	Channel	Assignment	RX Freq	RX Tone	TX Freq	TX Tone	Mode	Remarks
1	TACTICAL	TAC 1	DIV A	168.2000	110.9	168.2000	110.9	A	
2	TACTICAL	TAC 2	DIV Z	168.6000	110.9	168.6000	110.9	A	
3		TAC 3		166.7750	110.9	166.7750	110.9	A	
4		TAC 4		168.2500	110.9	168.2500	110.9	A	
5		TAC 5		168.0500	110.9	168.0500	110.9	A	
6		TAC 6		166.7250	110.9	166.7250	110.9	A	
7	COMMAND	CMD 7		170.9750	110.9	168.7000	110.9	A	REPEATER ON STEIN MNT
8	COMMAND	CMD 8		170.0125	110.9	165.2500	110.9	A	REPEATER ON BEAR TRAP
9	COMMAND	CMD 9		172.6500	110.9	164.6750	110.9	A	REPEATER ON STORMY
10	FS STORMY RPT	FS STORMY		172.2750		164.5000	167.9	A	CONTACT TO CENTRAL IDAHO DISPATCH
11	FS LONG TOM RPT	FS LONG TOM		172.2750		164.5000	123.0	A	CONTACT TO CENTRAL IDAHO DISPATCH
12	FS STEIN RPT	FS STEIN		172.2750		164.5000	167.9	A	CONTACT TO CENTRAL IDAHO DISPATCH
13	AIR TO GROUND	A/G 23		166.7625		166.7625		A	
14	AIR TO GROUND	A/G 43	AIR TO GROUND	167.6000		167.6000		A	HELICOPTER USE
15	EMERGENCY USE	ST COMM		155.2800		155.2800	156.7	A	LIFELIGHT EMERGENCY USE ONLY
16	AIR GUARD	AIRGUARD		168.6250		168.6250	110.9	A	EMERGENCY USE ONLY



## MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

<b>1. Incident/Project Name</b>	<b>2. Operational Period</b>
<b>COVE CREEK FIRE</b>	Date/Time 08/25/2019 0600-2200

3. Ambulance Services				
Name	Complete Address	Phone & EMS Frequency	Advanced Life Support (ALS)	
			Yes	No
Salmon Ambulance	203 Van Dreff St, Salmon ID 83467	911	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gibbonsville Quick Response Unit	13 Hart Ln, Gibbonsville ID 83463	911	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4. Air Ambulance Services			
Name	Phone	Type of Aircraft & Capability	
Life Flight Network Locations: Butte MT or Rexburg ID	800-232-0911	ALS, Rotor (Night capable)	50 Min flight
Air Idaho Rescue: Salmon Airport	800-247-4324	ALS, Rotor (Night capable)	13 Min flight
Krassel Helitack: Payette NF Krassel Ranger District McCall, ID 83638	208-634-0976	BLS, Rotor, (Short-Haul capable)	38 Min flight

5. Hospitals								
Name Complete Address	GPS Datum – WGS 84 Coordinate Standard		Travel Time		Phone	Helipad		Level of Care Facility
	DD° MM.MMM' N - Lat	DD° MM.MMM' W - Long	Air	Gnd		Yes	No	
Steele Memorial Med 203 South Daisy St. Salmon, ID. 83467	Lat:	45° 10.58 N	~25 Min	~1.5 Hrs	208-756-5600	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Level IV
	Long:	113° 53.78 W						
	VHF:							
Eastern Idaho RMC 3100 Channing Way Idaho Falls, ID 83404	Lat:	43° 28.21 N	~1 Hrs	~2.5 Hrs	208-529-6111	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Level II
	Long:	111° 59.50 W						
	VHF:							
St. Patrick Hospital 500 W. Broadway Missoula, MT 59802	Lat:	43° 52.32 N	~70 Min	~3 Hrs	406-543-7271	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Level II
	Long:	114°00.00 W						
	VHF:							
University of Utah Medical Center 50 North Medical Drive Salt Lake City, UT	Lat:	40°46.34 N	~1.5 Hrs – fixed wing	~6.5 Hrs	801-581-2700	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Level I
	Long:	111° 50.24 W						
	VHF:							

6. Division   Branch   Group	Area   Location   Capability	EMS Capability
DIV A, Z	Staged at H30, ALS	Mike Porter EMPF
DIV Z	BLS, Return to spike camp	Jordan Foster EMTF
ICP	ALS	Bruce Hicks EMPF

7. Prepared By (Medical Unit Leader)	8. Date/Time	Reviewed By (Safety Officer)	9. Date/Time
Bruce Hicks MEDL	08/24/19 16:00	Laney Cutshaw	08/24/1600

### Medical Incident Report

**FOR A NON-EMERGENCY INCIDENT, WORK THROUGH CHAIN OF COMMAND TO REPORT AND TRANSPORT INJURED PERSONNEL AS NECESSARY.**

**FOR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY: IDENTIFY ON SCENE INCIDENT COMMANDER BY NAME AND POSITION AND ANNOUNCE "MEDICAL EMERGENCY" TO INITIATE RESPONSE FROM IMT COMMUNICATIONS/DISPATCH.**

**Use the following items to communicate situation to communications/dispatch.**

**1. CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS / DISPATCH** (Verify correct frequency prior to starting report)

*Ex: "Communications, Div. Alpha. Stand-by for Emergency Traffic."*

**2. INCIDENT STATUS:** Provide incident summary (including number of patients) and command structure.

*Ex: "Communications, I have a Red priority patient, unconscious, struck by a falling tree. Requesting air ambulance to Forest Road 1 at (Lat./Long.) This will be the Trout Meadow Medical, IC is TFLD Jones. EMT Smith is providing medical care."*

Severity of Emergency / Transport Priority	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>RED / PRIORITY 1 Life or limb threatening injury or illness. Evacuation need is IMMEDIATE</b> <i>Ex: Unconscious, difficulty breathing, bleeding severely, 2° – 3° burns more than 4 palm sizes, heat stroke, disoriented.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>YELLOW / PRIORITY 2 Serious Injury or illness. Evacuation may be DELAYED if necessary.</b> <i>Ex: Significant trauma, unable to walk, 2° – 3° burns not more than 1-3 palm sizes.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GREEN / PRIORITY 3 Minor Injury or illness. Non-Emergency transport</b> <i>Ex: Sprains, strains, minor heat-related illness.</i>	
Nature of Injury or Illness & Mechanism of Injury		<i>Brief Summary of Injury or Illness (Ex: Unconscious, Struck by Falling Tree)</i>
Transport Request		<i>Air Ambulance / Short Haul/Hoist Ground Ambulance / Other</i>
Patient Location		<i>Descriptive Location &amp; Lat. / Long. (WGS84)</i>
Incident Name		<i>Geographic Name + "Medical" (Ex: Trout Meadow Medical)</i>
On-Scene Incident Commander		<i>Name of on-scene IC of Incident within an Incident (Ex: TFLD Jones)</i>
Patient Care		<i>Name of Care Provider (Ex: EMT Smith)</i>

**3. INITIAL PATIENT ASSESSMENT:** Complete this section for each patient as applicable (start with the most severe patient)

Patient Assessment: See IRPG page 108

Treatment:

**4. TRANSPORT PLAN:**

Evacuation Location (if different): (Descriptive Location (drop point, intersection, etc.) or Lat. / Long.) Patient's ETA to Evacuation Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Helispot / Extraction Site Size and Hazards:

**5. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES / EQUIPMENT NEEDS:**

*Example: Paramedic/EMT, Crews, Immobilization Devices, AED, Oxygen, Trauma Bag, IV/Fluid(s), Splints, Rope rescue, Wheeled litter, HAZMAT, Extrinsic*

**6. COMMUNICATIONS: Identify State Air/Ground EMS Frequencies and Hospital Contacts as applicable**

Function	Channel Name/Number	Receive (RX)	Tone/NAC *	Transmit (TX)	Tone/NAC *
COMMAND					
AIR-TO-GRND					
TACTICAL					

**7. CONTINGENCY: Considerations:** If primary options fail, what actions can be implemented in conjunction with primary evacuation method? Be thinking ahead...

**8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Updates/Changes, etc.

**REMEMBER:** Confirm ETA's of resources ordered. Act according to your level of training. Be Alert. Keep Calm. Think Clearly. Act Decisively.

# HEALTH AND SAFETY MESSAGE

**SAFETY** starts with **YOU**

We are **ALL** accountable for **SAFE** behaviors

For Day Operations: August 25, 2019

## Major Hazards and Risks:

- **DRIVING:** Drive defensively, be aware of traffic on the 030 road and fire area. Remember traffic may not be looking at the road and traveling at a higher rate of speed.
- **ACCOUNTABILITY:** Each resource on the fire has a supervisor. Know and coordinate with him/her. Establish relationships with local resources working in your area.
- **HAZARD TREES:** Avoid high concentration snag patches. Snag safety zone is 2 ½ times the tree height.
- **SAFETY ZONES/ESCAPE ROUTES:** Know at all times where these is located. Be sure you can get there under the conditions that exist. Reevaluate as the day progresses.

### Fire Order of the Day:

**Give clear instructions and insure they are understood.**

- **Task** = What is to be done
- **Purpose** = Why it is to be done
- **End State** = How it should look when done



- Keep it at or below the Speed Limit.
- Share the roads.

**It is our job to Expect the Unexpected!!!!**

# Snags!!!

**Stay alert as you work around snags.**

- Helicopters may cause snags to fall
- Wind may cause snags to fall
- Fate may cause snags to fall
- Remember the hazard zone is 2 ½ times the tree height
- Follow “Hazard Tree Safety” guidelines IRPG page 22

**Constantly assess your situation. If conditions dictate, consider working in another area until conditions change**



Safety:  
Laney Cutshaw

**SAFETY IS AN OUTCOME  
OF DOING THINGS RIGHT!!!**

