Tongue River Complex

MT-MCD-000163 PDK4YU (1502) 747003-DNRC

Incident Action Plan

JULY 16, 2017 Day Operational Period

> 0600 -2000 SUNDAY



INCIDENT	
OBJECTIVES	

Incident Priorities:

- All suppression and suppression repair actions shall place fire personnel, aviation, and public safety as the highest priority.
- Use good risk analysis processes, the principles of the 10 Standard Fire Orders, LCES and the 18 Watch-Out Situations as the foundation for risk decisions.
- Reduce exposure to fire personnel where possible.

Management Objectives:

- The protection of cultural and environmental resources is a high priority. Work with Resource Advisors on cultural features requiring priority protection within the Custer Gallatin National Forest, Bureau of Land Management property and BIA-Northern Cheyenne Agency.
- Maintain good working relationships and prompt, accurate communication with Agency personnel, local and Tribal governments, and the local community.
- Provide effective management of costs commensurate with resource values to be protected. Demobilize resources and equipment when no longer needed.

Operational Objectives:

- Keep fire contained within existing control lines.
- Continue to support Agencies with Initial Attack resources as requested.
- Continue suppression repair to meet Agency-provided guidelines.

Commanders Intent: To meet the intent of the stated objectives. Provide the highest level of customer services for all involved with, or affected by the incident. All assigned incident personnel will be prepared to take the appropriate actions regarding:

- Maintaining good situational awareness.
- Personal interactions with others. This includes people within the incident organization, the host agency, public, and stake holders.
- Managing an incident-within-an-incident.
- Establishing and maintaining good communications to ensure all critical and important messages reach the appropriate people in a timely manner.

9. Prepared By (Planning Section Chief)	 Approved By (Incident Commander) Adam Wolf 	
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Organization Assignment List, ICS Form 203

			1. INCIDENT NAME	2. DATE PREF	PARED	3. TIME PREPARED	
ORGANIZA	TION AS	SIGMENT LIST	Tongue River Complex				
POSITION		NAME	4. OPERATIONAL PERIOD (DATE/TIME) 07/16/2017 0600 - 2000				
5. INCIDENT COM	IAND AND STA	FF	9. OPERATIONS SECT				
INCIDENT COMMA	NDER		PLANNING OPS				
DEPUTY			DEPUTY				
SAFETY OFFICER			a. FIELD OPERATIO	NS NORTH			
INFORMATION OF	FICER		NORTH OPS		Adam V		
LIAISON OFFICER			DEPUTY		Travis I 406-74		
			DIVISION/GROUP			Steelman	
6. AGENCY REPRE	SENTATIVES		DIVISION/ GROUP				
AGENCY	NAME		DIVISION/ GROUP				
Northern Cheyenne	Jace Killsbuck		DIVISION/GROUP				
BLM	Diane Friez/W	endy Warren	DIVISION /GROUP				
BIA	Michael Addy						
DNRC	Chris Pileski		b. FIELD OPERATIO	NS SOUTH	Mitch D	Neukeur	
Rosebud County	Ed Joiner Cou	nty Supervisor	SOUTH OPS		Mitch B 406-85		
USFS			DEPUTY				
			DIVISION/GROUP				
7. PLANNING SEC	ΓΙΟΝ		DIVISION/GROUP				
CHIEF			DIVISION/GROUP				
DEPUTY			DIVISION/GROUP				
RESOURCES UNIT SITUATION UNIT			с.				
DOCUMENTATION	UNIT		BRANCH DIRECTOR				
DEMOBILIZATION I			DEPUTY				
RESOURCE ADVIS	ORS		DIVISION/GROUP	'ISION/GROUP			
GISS			DIVISION/GROUP				
FBAN			DIVISION/GROUP				
IMET STATUS CHECKIN							
8. LOGISTICS SE	CTION		d. AIR OPERATIONS	BRANCH			
CHIEF			AIR OPERATIONS BR.				
DEPUTY			AIR TACTICAL GROUP SUP.				
			AIR SUPPORT GROUP	SUP.			
			HELICOPTER COORDINATOR				
a. SUPPORT BRAN	NCH	[AIR TANKER/FIXED WI	NG CRD.			
DIRECTOR SUPPLY UNIT							
FACILITIES UNIT							
GROUND SUPPOR	T UNIT						
SECURITY MANAGER		10. FINANCE/ADMIN	ISTRATION S	SECTIO	N		
			CHIEF		Miles C	City Dispatch	
		TIME UNIT PROCUREMENT UNIT					
DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS UNIT		COMPENSATION / I NJ	URY				
MEDICAL UNIT			COST UNIT				
FOOD UNIT					L		
PREPARED BY (RE	SOURCES UNI	Т)					
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INCIDENT Weather Forecast



FORECAST NO: 5 - Final

PREDICTION FOR: 0700-2000

NAME OF INCIDENT: Tongue River Complex

UNIT: MT-BLM, BIA – Northern Cheyenne Agency

SHIFT DATE: Sunday, July 16, 2017

TIME AND DATE FORECAST ISSUED: 1800 Saturday, July 15, 2017

SIGNED: Phil Manuel

Phil Manuel Incident Meteorologist

WEATHER DISCUSSION:

...Red Flag Warning From Noon Until Midnight For Strong Storms And Winds... ...Potential For 30 to 50 mph Wind Gusts...

Weather concern today is focused around the development of thunderstorms, and the potential for a thunderstorm gust front to cross the incident area containing winds of 30 to 50 mph, similar to the storms that moved through the district Monday. This gust front is forecast to come through during a time of peak heating...1500 to 1900 MDT. Temperatures preceding the gust front are forecast to be in the 90s.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR: (SUNDAY)

WEATHER:	Breezy and Hot with shifting winds.	Scattered thunderstorms.
	Greatest threat and coverage from 1	500-1900.

TEMPERATURES: High 94 to 99. (unchanged)

HUMIDITY: Min RH 15-20% (unchanged).

20 FT WINDS: Southwest 8 to 15 mph with gusts of 25 mph...shifting to the northwest with the passage of the front (after 1500). *****Gusty and Erratic Winds In And Near Thunderstorms*****

HAINES: 4 (low) CWR: 20% LAL: 2 ... 1 to 8 strikes/15 min/cell

WEATHER FORECAST FOR: (SUNDAY NIGHT)

WEATHER: Front moves east of the area. Thunderstorm threat comes to an end by midnight.

TEMPERATURES: Cooler. Low 60 to 65.

HUMIDITY: Max recovery 67-72%.

20 FT WINDS: Northwest 10 to 15 mph... diminishing to less than 10 mph after midnight.

Smoke Dispersion:Good to Excellent.CWR: 20%

OUTLOOK: (MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY)

Temperatures return to near normal. Highs 85 to 92. Lows in the 60s. There is to the potential for isolated thunderstorms during the week; please reference the daily National Weather Service Fire Weather Forecast (MTZ131) from Billings, MT.

If conditions become unrepresentative...contact the National Weather Service in Billings... 406-652-2936

Sunrise 5:33 AM MDT

Sunset 8:52 PM MDT

	FIRE BEHAVIO	DR FORECAST					
FORECAST NUME	3ER: 7	OPERATIONAL PERIOD: 7/16/17 0700-2000					
FIRE NAME: Tong	ue River Complex	DATE/TIME ISSUED: 7/15/2017 @ 1930					
UNIT: BLM/BIA		SIGNED:					
		Typed/printed: Robert Ziel (Zeke)					
	ic 30-50 mph wind gusts with	strong thunderstorms and shifting winds. storms.					
Temp and RH:Max 94-99 deg, Min 15-20 %20 Ft Winds:Southeast 8-15 mph with gust of 25 mph shifting to NW with passage of the front producing gusts of 30-50 mph.							
Lightning Activity	Level (LAL) of 2, Chance of	of Wetting Rain (CWR) 20%, Haines 4 (low)					
	sholds : Temps above 90, RH b < 5%, Windspeed 20mph at 20	below 25, Poor overnight humidity recover (<35%), Oft (8mph at eye level).					
	FIRE BE	HAVIOR					
GENERAL:							
afternoon from the 90% again today, r	thunderstorms. Fine fuel mois	fuels for the gust front winds that arrive late ture should be 3% and Probability of Ignition e likely to find very favorable fuels. Think easy r any possible start.					
		greatest hazard to suppression action and control passive and possibly active crown fire.					
burn operations. G		they burn to black and have supported successful ourn operations. Where sage and stringers of trees					
U		ehavior has declined. There are still unburned wo. Winds on Saturday were a good test.					
SPECIFIC:							
see spread of ¼ m fuel ¼ mph for mos	Initial Attack: Be prepared for new ignitions that turn into intensely burning fires. Grass/sage could see spread of ¼ mph with flames of 4-6 ft under forecast winds. Spread in open timber with heavy fuel ¼ mph for most of the burn period. Anticipate spread rates of 1 mph or more with gust front winds that could produce crown fire behavior, especially on exposed slopes.						
Witten North: Peri	meter fuels are burned black le	aving held line in pretty good shape.					
leaving some incor	Witten South: Scabby fuels on steep slopes inside the lines haven't and won't carry fire very well, leaving some incomplete burns. Where there is internal heat, expect winds to produce an increase in torching and spotting, though lines appear secure.						
	S: Smoke dispersion excellent. here should be little impact on a	With little smoke production on our fires or air operations.					
	SAF	ETY					
together. In those		call for extended attack forces coming in to work compromised. Make sure you get a good briefing,					

Weather

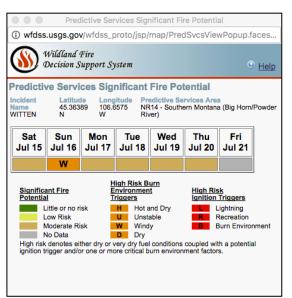
For the latest weather information please reference the fire weather forecast that is prepared daily by the National Weather Service (NWS) office in Billings, MT, by referencing their Fire Weather Zones page on the Internet... <u>www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/?wfo=byz</u> The fire zone for this complex is MTZ131. A spot forecast may also be submitted via the following link... <u>www.weather.gov/spot/request</u> Questions concerning the weather, please contact NWS Billings 406-652-2936.

The weather outlook for the next 7 days (July 15 through July 22) is for moderating fire weather conditions. Sunday (July 15) is forecast to be a transition day with a cold frontal passage late in the day associated with thunderstorms and strong wind gusts. Temperatures in the 90s and humidity minimums in the teens are forecast to precede the front... A Watch Out Day! Temperatures are forecast to return to near normal for the remainder of the week with a daily threat for mixed wet and dry thunderstorms. Normal highs are in the upper 80s, and lows in the 60s. Humidity minimums 25%.

7-day Fire Potential Outlook (PSA NR14-Southern Montana) <u>http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/forecast/#/outlooks?state=sideBySide&gaccId=5</u>

With the extreme heat and low RHs that have occurred over all of North ID and MT this month, ERCs and dead fuel moistures, even 1000 hrs. are and will continue to be at well below normal values for this time of year through the period. ERCs and dead fuel moistures are are at record levels (for mid July) in portions of 14/16. Live fuel moistures will still be well below average there as well.

Hot dry conditions that have returned with very low RHs all areas except eastern ND will return enhanced fire potential today through Sunday. Dry storm potential returning late today and peaking [Sunday] with strong gusty outflow winds will increase IA demands in North ID and Western/Central MT, and enhance large fire growth.



Local evening, and even overnight, winds encourage some of the most significant fire behavior to occur late in or after the typical burn period. Grasses average probably 80% cured (HFM 50-60%). Shrubs about 100%.

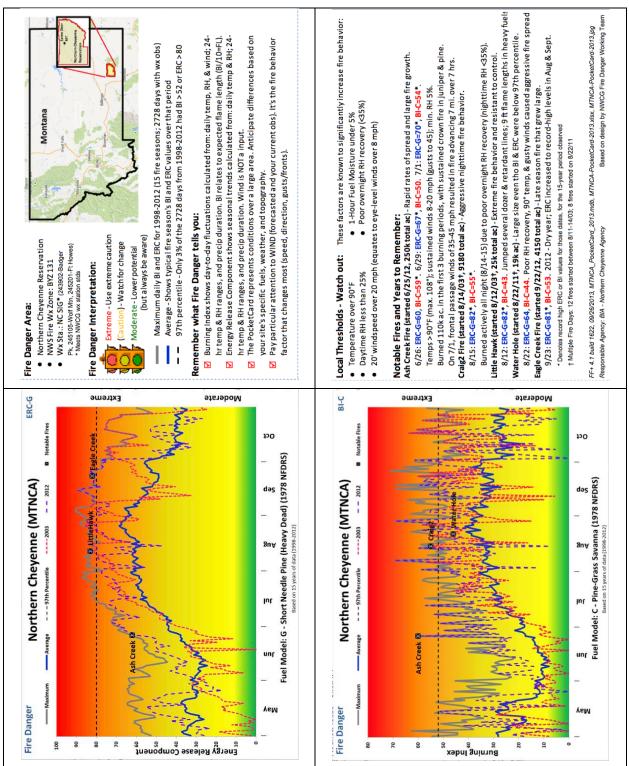
Fuels and Fire Behavior

Heavy fuels under pine and juniper (FM 2) remain the greatest hazard to suppression action and control operations, with intense burning, torching and spotting behavior causing problems in very dry fuels, especially where fire gets some wind on it

Bottoms and flats with grass and shrubs (GS 2) are curing rapidly, they burn to black and are supporting successful burnout operations. Where sage and stringers of trees are mixed in, anticipate spotting across lines with stronger winds, especially late in the burn period.

Northern Cheyenne Pocket Card https://famit.nwcg.gov/sites/default/files/2013_MTNCA_PocketCard.pdf

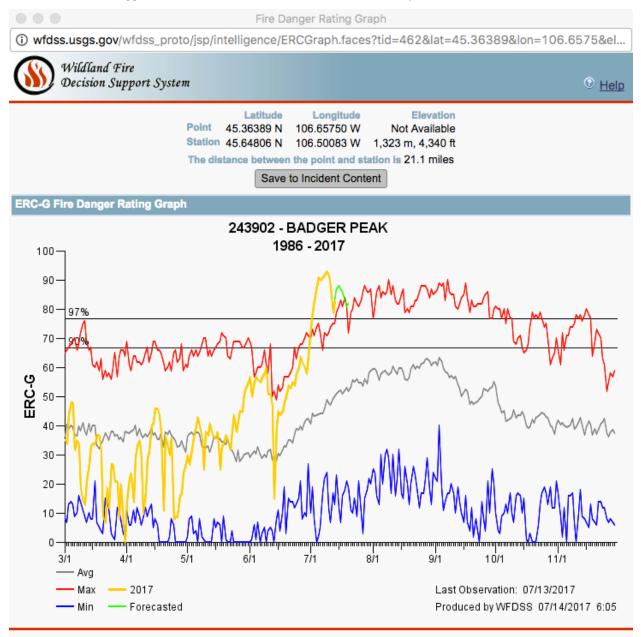
Pocket Card Thresholds: Temps above 90, RH below 25, Poor overnight humidity recover (<35%), Fine Fuel Moisture 5%, Windspeed 20mph at 20ft (8mph at eye level).



Current ERC Trends for the Area (Badger Peak)

ERC Observations for 2017 and Forecast as of July 14th

- Temperature and humidity conditions began to dry fuels in late may, with only a wetting rain event in middle June to interrupt the drying trend.
- ERC levels began setting new daily records by July 1 and setting all time records by the time the fire started on July 7th.
- Moderation on July 11 and 12 did not force values below the 97th percentile, suggesting that weather and fuel moisture conditions remain receptive to significant fire activity.
- Forecast suggests that levels should remain above the 97th percentile for the next week.



ASSIGNMENT LIST				1. Branch				2. Division/Group	North	
3. Incident Name				4 Operation	North					
	ngue River C	omplex	c		4. Operational Period Date: Day Shift 7/16/2017 Time: 0600 – 2000					
5.			Ор	erations Pers	sonnel					
Operations Chief	Adam Wolf, Travis Limpy Dej	o. OSC 4	06-740-0103	Division/Grou	up Superv	/isor	Grant Stee	elman		
Branch Director				Air Support Group Super	visor					
6.			Re	sources Assi		is Pe	riod			
Strike Team/Tas	k Force/ Resource	E Last		ader	No. Pers.	Tran Need	IS. Dro	p Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time	
E-96 ENG 4 TH L	•		Virgil Madplur	ne	3	N		firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
E-70 ENG 4 Rock	ky Mt. Fire	7/22	Keith Crevelin	g	3	N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
ENG 6 Little Dog				-		N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
ENG 6 Corvallis						N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
ENG 6 Rim Fire						N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
E-121 GRD NCR	М	7/23	Marvin Woode	enleg O-17	2	N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
E-129 GRD NCR	М	7/23	Garrett Fisher	r O-16	2	N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
E-128 DOZ2 NCF	RM	7/23	Gene Small C) -19	1	N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
O-42 TFLD		7/24	Grant Steelma	an	1	N	NC	firebase 0700	NC firebase 1900	
7. Control Operati	ions									
Patrol and mop u	p. Start from east	break to	west break or	n three chains	along no	orth fir	e perimete	r.		
8. Special Instruct	tions									
Be aware of smo Maintain LCES. F	-			ttached Nort	hern Reç	gion (Coal Seam	Fires Safety Aler	t.	
Logging operation	ns will continue in	Saint Jo	hn's timber sa	le.						
9.			Div	ision/Group (Communi	catio	n Summary			
Function	Frequenc	y - RX	Freque	ency - TX	Tone	\downarrow	Channel		Comments	
Command RPT										
Tactical DIV A										
A/G Primary										
A/G Secondary										
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ASSIGNMENT LIST			1. Branch				2. Division/Group SOUTH		
3. Incident Name			4. Operational Period						
						6/2017		Time:	0600 – 2000
5.		Operat	ions Personn	el					
Operations Chief	Mitch Bloxham	406-853-	3624	Division/Group	Superv	visor Mi	itch Bloxh	nam	
Branch Director				Air Support Gro Supervisor	oup				
6.			Res	sources Assig		is Perio	bd		
	k Force/ Resource ignator	E Last Shift	Lea	ader	No. Pers.	Trans. Needed	Droj	o Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
C-8 T2IA MNICS	#1 w/ ENG6	7/21	Bill Alleman		20	N		p of the Southern Perimeter	DIV Spike Camp
7. Control Operati	ons								
Patrol fire perimeter and look for hot spots along the dozer and grader improvement lines.									
8. Special Instruct	ions								
Be aware of smoldering coal seams hazards. See attached Northern Region Coal Seams Safety Alert. Maintain LCES. Police trash to mitigate bears.									
9.				ision/Group Co	mmuni		-		
Function	Frequenc	y - RX	Freque	ency - TX	Tone	Ch	annel	С	omments
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Tactical DIV A									
A/G Primary									
A/G Secondary		_							
Prepared by Approved by Mitch Bloxham						Dat 07	e /15/201		Time 2000

Communications

Communications will be established with the local unit.

North Ops.

Contact Travis Limpy at 406-740-0102

South Ops

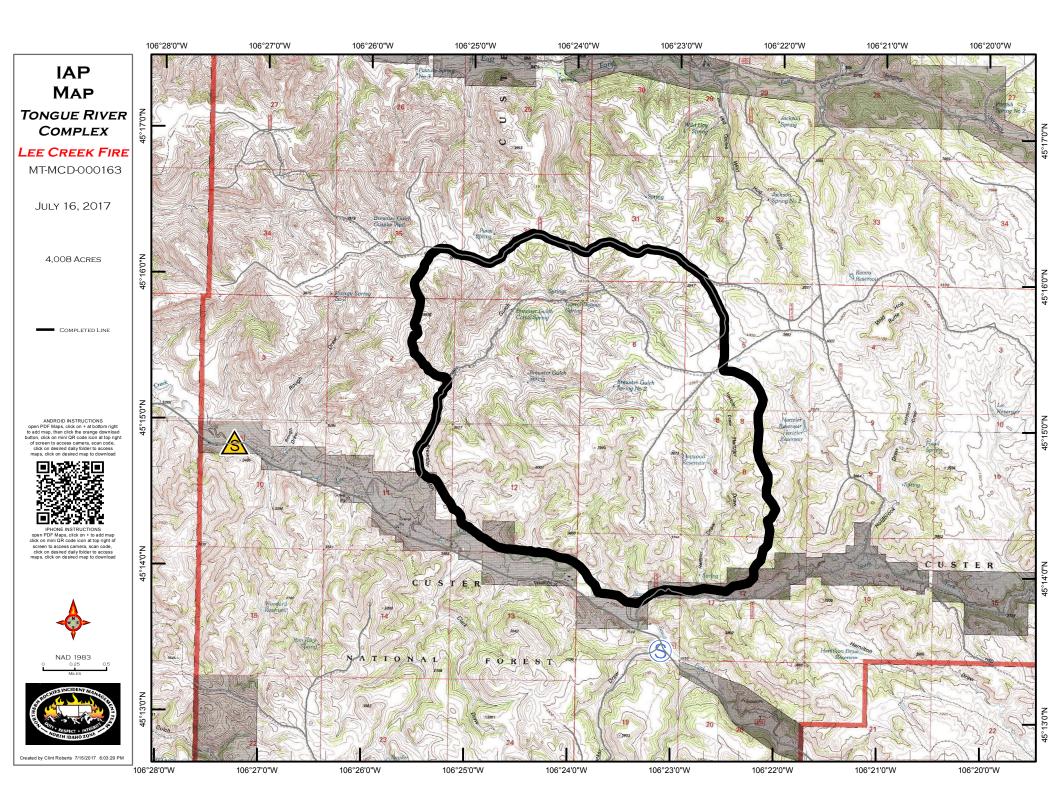
Contact Mitch Bloxham at 406-853-3624

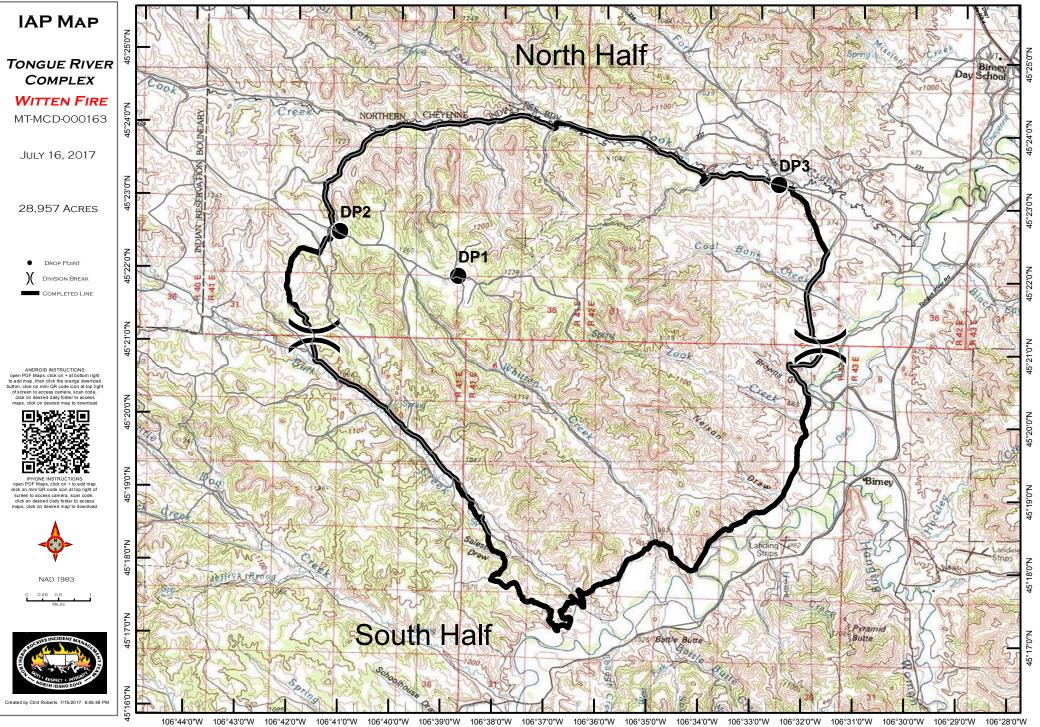
MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

Incident/Project Name					1. Operational Period					
Tongue River Complex					0600-200	00 07/16	/2017			
2. Ambulance Services										
Name			Complete Addr	ess				nced Life Yes	Support (ALS) No	
Northern Cheyenne Ambulance 22 N Cheyenne Ave, Lame Deer,			eer, MT		406-477-6774 command chann	el.	Y	(ES		
3. Air Ambulance Service	s									
Name			Phone			Type o	f Aircraft	& Capa	bilitv	
St. Vincent's Helpflight Billi	ngs, M [.]	г	800-538-4357		EC-135	35-45 minutes to		-		
	-									
Lifeflight, Casper, WY			800-806-9158		Bell 407	75 minutes to Wit	ten once	lifted		
Two Bear Aviation Glacier I	nt Airpo	ort	Flathead County/406-75 5585	58-	Bell 429 M	Night Vision, Rescu	e Hoist, F	req Tan	155.340 T>	√Tone 156.7
4. Hospitals			1							
Name Complete Address	D	egree DD° M	Datum – WGS 84 es Decimal Minutes MM.MMM' N - Lat M.MMM' W - Long	Travel Time Air Gnd		Phone	Helip Phone Yes		· of Ca	
Bighorn County Memorial Hospital 17 N Miles Ave, Hardin, MT	Lat: Long: VHF:			30 mii	n 60 min	406-665-2310			Critical	Access Facility
St Vincent's Healthcare 1233 N 30 th Street, Billings, MT	Lat: Long: VHF:			45 mii	n 145 min from ICP	406-237-7000			Tra	Level 2 uma Center
	Lat: Long: VHF:		-	-						
	Lat: Long: VHF:			-						
5. Division Branch 0			ea Location Capability							
		EMS Responders & Capability: Equipment Available on Scene: Medical Emergency Channel:								
			A for Ambulance to Scen							
			Air:							
			Ground:							
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MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

Medical Incident Report										
FOR	FOR ALL MEDICAL EMERGENCIES: IDENTIFY ON SCENE INCIDENT COMMANDER BY NAME AND POSITION AND ANNOUNCE "MEDICAL EMERGENCY" TO INITIATE RESPONSE FROM IMT COMMUNICATIONS/DISPATCH.									
Use items one through nine to communicate situation to communications/dispatch.										
1. CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS/DISPATCH Ex: "Communications, Div. Alpha. Stand-by for Priority Medical Incident Report." (If life threatening request designated frequency be cleared for emergency traffic.)										
2. INCIDENT	STATUS: Provide incident s	ummary and comm	nand struct	ture.						
Nature of	Injury/IIIness						Describe the ir (Ex: Broken leg with			
Incident Name Geographic Name + "Medical"										
Incident Value (Ex: Trout Meadow Medical) Name of IC										
ł	Patient Care						Name of Care Pi (Ex: EMT Sm			
3. INITIAL PA	TIENT ASSESSMENT: Co	omplete this section	for each pai	tient. This is only a brief,	initial ass	essment. Provide add	3	er completing this 9 Line Report.		
Number of F		/ Female		Age:		Weight:		· - ·		
	Conscious? YES Breathing? YES		MEDEVA							
	hanism of Injury:			HO.						
Lat/Lor	<u>caused the injury?</u> ng (Datum WGS84) 42.45' x W 123º 03.24'									
	OF EMERGENCY, TRANS		v							
4. SEVERIT	OF EWERGENCT, TRANS	SEVERITY	<u> </u>				ISPORT PRIORITY			
	ED Life threatening inju ious, difficulty breathing, blee disoriented.		3º burns m	nore than 4 palm sizes,		Ambulance or ME need is IMMEDIA	DEVAC helicopter. E ATE.	Evacuation		
	YELLOW Serious Injury		ro than 1.2			Ambulance or con Evacuation may be	sider air transport if	at remote location.		
	nt trauma, not able to walk, 2 ^o GREEN	- 3° burns not mo	re man 1-2	paini sizes.			Evacuation consider	red		
	eatening injury or illness. strains, minor heat-related illr	ess.				Routine of Con	venience.			
5. TRANSPOR	T PLAN:									
Air Transport:	(Agency Aircraft Preferred)									
Helispot		Short-hau	ul/Hoist			Life Flight		□ Other		
Ground Trans		□ Carry-Ou	ŧ			Ambulance		□ Other		
	L RESOURCE/EQUIPME	NT NEEDS:				_				
	amedic/EMT(s)			Crew(s)		SKED/Backboard/C-Collar				
	n Sheet(s)		□ Oxygen			Trauma Bag Conding Manitor/AED				
	dication(s) er (i.e. splints, rope rescue, w	boolod littor)		□ IV/Fluid(s)			ardiac Monitor/AED			
	er (i.e. spiints, tope rescue, w	fieled litter)								
7. COMMUNIC	ATIONS:									
Function	Channel Name/Number	Receive (F	Rx)	Tone/NAC *	Tr	ansmit (Tx)		Tone/NAC *		
Ex: Command	Forest Rpt, Ch. 2	168.325	0	110.9		171.4325		110.9		
COMMAND										
AIR-TO-GRND										
TACTICAL	TACTICAL									
*(NAC for digital radio system) 8. EVACUATION LOCATION:										
Lat/Lon	g (Datum WGS84)									
	42.45' x W 123 03.24'									
Helispot/Extra	action Size and Hazards:									
9. CONTINGE 9. CONTINGE		imary options fail	, what acti	ions can be implemer	nted in co	onjunction with pri	imary evacuation n	nethod? Be thinking ahead		
		REME	MBER:	Confirm ETA's of res Be Alert. Keep Calm				of training		





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106°28'0"W

UNIT LOG		1. Incident Name	2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared		
4. Unit Name/Designators		5. Unit Leader (Name and Position)		6. Operational Period		
7.		Personnel Roste	er Assigned			
Nar	ne	ICS Posit	ion	Home Base		
8.		Activity Log				
Time			Major Events			
9. Prepared by (Name an	nd Position)					