

MATTS CREEK FIRE

VA-VAF-230128

P8QR07 0808

Incident Action Plan (IAP)

Operation Periods

Day Shift 0700 - 2000

Night Shift 1800 – 0700



Matts Creek Fire Information

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<https://www.facebook.com/GWJNF>

<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/vavaf-matts-creek-fire>

INCIDENT OBJECTIVES (ICS 202)

1. Incident Name:	2. Operational Period: 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK	Date/Time From: 11/17/2023 0700 FRI	Date/Time To: 11/18/2023 0700 SAT
3. Objective(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure Firefighter and public safety by using strategies and tactics that mitigate known and anticipated hazards while providing for the highest probability of success. • Keep fire within the smallest footprint in the James River Face Wilderness area minimizing impact to communities, infrastructure, public and private lands. • Limit acreage burned through direct and indirect suppression tactics. • Be aware of the cultural sensitivities of the Blue Ridge Parkway and adjacent wilderness areas. 		
4. Operational Period Command Emphasis:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize Aircraft where appropriate and can be most effective. • Continue to scout primary and secondary contingency lines. • Continue to look for opportunities to limit fire footprint utilizing natural and manmade features. • Prevent the spread of fire to communities and Forest Service lands using Hunter Club Road, Blue Ridge Parkway, Petites Gap Road (Forest Road 35) , Trail 313, and Lochar Tract Field as targeted boundaries • Stop, Think, Discuss, then Act 		
General Situational Awareness:		
LCES; steep and rocky terrain...watch footing and heads up for rolling rocks. Heavy snag density and fire weakened green trees...know your work area. Identify and avoid, or eliminate, hazard trees. Aviation operations...clear areas near bucket work. Use spotters when backing vehicles, and exercise care when navigating mountain roads.		
5. Site Safety Plan Required? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Approved Site Safety Plan(s) Located		
6. Incident Action Plan (the items checked below are included in this Incident Action Plan):		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 202	<input type="checkbox"/> ICS 207	Other Attachments:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 203	<input type="checkbox"/> ICS 208	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIRE BEHAVIOR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 204	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 220	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 205	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Map/Chart	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> ICS 205A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weather Forecast/Tides/Currents	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 206		
7. Prepared by: MARK HUFF	Position/Title: SITL (T)	Signature: /s/ Mark Huff
8. Approved by Incident Commander:	Name: PAT PEARSON, ICCI	Signature: /s/ Pat Pearson
ICS 202	IAP Page	Date/Time: 11/16/2023 1930

ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

1. Incident Name:		2. Operational Period: 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK		Date/Time From: 11/17/2023 0700 FRI	Date/Time To: 11/18/2023 0700 SAT
3. Incident Commander(s) and Command Staff:			
IC/UC	PARRISH, STEVE PEARSON, PAT	DIVISION/GROUP	ALPHA/DELTA SWAREZ, DAVID CORNWELL, KELLY
		DIVISION/GROUP	LIMA FRY, JOHN
SAFETY OFFICER	COOK, MIKE BRATCHER, ED; MARION, DAVE	DIVISION/GROUP	NIGHT SHIFT SCOTT, STEPHEN (T)
INFORMATION OFFICER	STRAWSER, BONNIE (V); HIBBARD, CATHERINE; MAZZEO, JOE	DIVISION/GROUP	SIERRA PROBERT, DANIEL DON DANIEL
LIAISON OFFICER	SWANSON, BRYAN; KNIGHTON, JEREMY (T) HINZMAN, ROXANNA (T); WRIGHT, BRAD (T)	7b. Air Operations Branch:	
		AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR	FISH, JOHN KENDALL
		DEPUTY AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR	BARKER, NANCY
		AIR SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	FINLEY, JACK
		AIR ATTACK SUPERVISOR	GROSSLIGHT, GORDON LEIGHTY, BOB
		HELIBASE MANAGER	HAINES, FRANK
4. Agency/Organization Representative(s):			
Agency/Organization	Name		
USFS	STULL, LAUREN KYLE, KEVIN (T)		
5. Planning Section:			
CHIEF	RUSSELL, KELLY; STRUHAR, LIZ (T)		
FIRE BEHAVIOR ANALYST	TITUS, GREG		
GIS SPECIALIST	BARNES, TOMMY M		
AIR QUALITY RESOURCE ADVISOR	KEY, MARGARET		
RESOURCES UNIT	SOBIESKI, SUE; FARRELL, BARRY		
SITUATION UNIT	SCHMECKPEPER, ERIC; COLLINS, TONY HUFF, MARK (T); LANG, NICOLE (T)		
READ	IRVINE, PETE 304-676-6000		
REAF	BERES, PLINIO 540-795-9510		
6. Logistics Section:			
CHIEF	SMITH, JOHNNY WALKER, JOE (T)		
SUPPLY UNIT			
FACILITIES UNIT	SWICKEY, TAMMY		
GROUND SUPPORT UNIT	AARON, JAY		
COMMUNICATIONS UNIT	PATRICK, JERRY W RADZIVILL, DAVID		
MEDICAL UNIT	ADLER, FREDERICK R ARNETT, NICHOLAS D		
7. Operations Section:			
OPS SECTION CHIEF	STURGILL, SHANE		
PLANNING OPS	FLOYD, TROY PARR, JOE (T)		
FIELD OPS	EDGE, VICKY; JAMIESON, MARK		
8. Finance/Administration Section:			
	CHIEF	MORRIS, SANDRA	
	CHIEF	MEREDITH, JAMES WARNER, JOHN	
	TIME UNIT	WINKLER, KIM - PERSONNEL FARLEY, CATHERINE (V) - EQUIPMENT	
	PROCUREMENT UNIT	MIDDLESWORTH, DENISE	
	COMPENSATION UNIT	LOWDER, DIANE	
	COST UNIT	PEARSON, RACHEL(V)	
9. Prepared By:			
Name:	SUE SOBIESKI	Position/Title:	RESL
Signature:			
ICS 203	IAP Page	Date/Time:	11/16/2023 2000



To: All Incident Personnel

As Incident Commander, I am committed to a policy of “zero tolerance” of inappropriate behavior during incident operations. Any form of harassment, discriminatory practices, or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Known or reported acts will be dealt with appropriately.

I am particularly concerned about the perception that alcohol has a place in any of the Incident facilities. It is not appropriate to indulge in alcoholic beverages during any fire assignment.

The Southern Area Red Team has a policy of “NO ALCOHOL” from the time of dispatch until the time of physical release from the Incident. Members of the Team voluntarily comply with this policy; all incident personnel will be expected to do so also.

We endorse, support, and expect an attitude of mutual respect for all Incident personnel and the public we serve. We also, endorse the attitude and work ethic that places “Safety First, every time on every Incident.” We expect nothing less.

/s/Steve Parrish

Incident Commander

SA Red Team



INCIDENT Weather Forecast



FORECAST NO: 1
PREDICTION FOR: Day Shift
SHIFT DATE: November 17, 2023
FORECAST ISSUED: November 16, 2023 @1500

NAME OF FIRE: Matts Creek
UNIT: VA-VIC
SIGNED: Cody Ledbetter
Incident Meteorologist Trainee

WEATHER DISCUSSION: Cloudy skies arrive ahead of an approaching cold front today. Humidities remain moderated today with increasing chances for showers through the evening. Light southwest winds expected.

WEATHER FORECAST:

WEATHER: Cloudy, chance for rain in the evening

TEMPERATURES: Low 60s

HUMIDITY: 50 to 70%

20 FT WINDS:

RIDGETOP - South-southwest 7 to 11 mph

SLOPE/VALLEY - South-southwest 3 to 8 mph

HAINES INDEX: 3 (moderate)

STABILITY/INVERSION: Inversion breaks around 1000 hours.

OUTLOOK FOR TONIGHT:

Showers move in by late this evening and continue through the night. Humidities will be around 100%. Rainfall amounts around a tenth of an inch or less are expected, and will occur over a time period of 3 hours or less. Winds SW 3 to 8 mph, turning NW 6 to 11 mph. Low temperatures around 50.

OUTLOOK FOR SATURDAY:

Mostly cloudy with lingering showers to start the day. Winds increase out of the NW at 10 to 15 mph, occasionally gusting to 25 mph. Sky cover and humidity rapidly decrease throughout the day. Minimum humidities around 45%. High temperatures in the mid 50s.

EXTRA INFORMATION:

Sunrise: 0659

Sunset: 1706

FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST

FORECAST NUMBER: 02

TYPE OF FIRE: Wildland, Type 1


FIRE NAME: Matts Creek

OPERATIONAL PERIOD: Day Shift

DATE ISSUED: 11/16/23 **TIME ISSUED:** 1500

SHIFT DATE: Friday, November 17th 2023

UNIT: George Washington/Thomas Jefferson NF

SIGNED: Greg Titus, FBAN 

WEATHER SUMMARY:

See weather forecast in today's IAP

FUELS:

A Fire and Fuels Behavior Advisory was issued for Southern Appalachian Mountains and Piedmont on November 13th.
Use link below.



The surface fuel is mostly hardwood leaf litter that has fallen over the past few weeks. It is a fresh and fluffy fuel bed that is very flammable. Pine stands have the ability to burn with high intensity and even transition into crown fire under the right conditions.

FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Today's fire behavior will be moderated by the higher relative humidity values and cooler temperatures. However, there is still the potential for very active fire behavior.

Fire Behavior based on maximum values (steep slope and max winds) for the fuel models shown

Vegetation	Fuel Model	Max Rate of Spread	Flame Length
Hardwood Timber Litter	9	7 ch/hr	2 foot
Timber Shrub Understory	TU3	33 ch/hr	8 feet

Probability of Ignition = **29%**

Calculated Spotting distance is **0.2 miles**

In **15 minutes** a new spot fire or ignition can reach **2.5 acres**.

Specific Areas of Concern:

- Pine stands with low branching and heavy crowns.
- Underslung fire line on steep slope with the potential for roll out.
- Due to the extended drought conditions heavy fuels (1,000 hr) are extremely dry and will burn completely. These fuels will hold heat until they burn out completely or are thoroughly mopped up.
- Areas of continuing leave drop. This can create the potential for reburn and crossing fire lines.

AIR OPERATIONS: Morning fog may delay air operations. Cloudy skies today. Smoke throughout the day. Smoke during the day may affect air operations even after the morning fog dissipates.

SAFETY:

Actual on the ground fire behavior has been exceeding fire behavior predictions based on modeling. Expect to see fire behavior outside of the normal. This will occur even on a predicted moderate day, due to the drought conditions that have created the very dry fuel moistures.

Division/Group Assignment List (ICS 204 WF)
Controlled Unclassified Information//Basic

1. Incident Name:		3.				
MATT'S CREEK		Branch:		Division/Group		
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700		ALPHA / DELTA				
Date/Time From: 11/17/2023 0700 FRI	Date/Time To: 11/18/2023 0700 SAT					
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF	STURGILL, SHANE	BRANCH DIRECTOR				
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR	SWAREZ, DAVID CORNWALL, KELLY S (T)					
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator	LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time	
C-4 CR21 - PACIFIC OASIS WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION NCC 9A	11/28		20	/0700	/2000	
E-2 ENG6 - PATRICK ENVIRONMENTAL INC - C44474	11/30		4	/0700	/2000	
E-4 ENG6 - RAMOS, EAGLE - A24183	11/30		4	/0700	/2000	
SOF2 DAVID MARION	11/27		1	/0700	/2000	
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
<u>Task</u> Monitor and assess values along James River Corridor. Complete and improve hand line from the James River to the Blue Ridge Parkway, excluding and protecting private lands and structures from threat to the fire.						
<u>Purpose</u> To protect private lands, structures, lessen impacts to the Blue Ridge Parkway and hold fire where hand line meets the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
<u>End State</u> Private lands and structures protected and fire contained along handline to the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness. Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate. 						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	ROCKY MTN	171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$61F	D
TACTICAL	TAC 1	169.1875N		169.1875N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	169.1500N		169.1500N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)		Approved By (Planning Section Chief)		Date	Time	
MARK HUFF		LIZ STRUHAR		11/16/2023	2130	

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1. Incident Name:			3.			
MATT'S CREEK			Branch:		Division/Group	
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700					LIMA	
Date/Time From: 11/17/2023 0700	FRI	Date/Time To: 11/18/2023 0700	SAT			
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		FRY, JOHN				
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
C-5 TEXAS CANYON		11/28		20	/0700	/2000
MOD AUGUSTA IHD (DAY BY DAY)		11/27	KEVIN BENADICT	9	/0700	/2000
MOD SALMON RIVER		11/27	LOFDAHL KELSEY	9	/0700	/2000
E-3 ENG6 - WILLIAMS WILDLAND FIRE SERVICES LLC - A48130		11/30		4	/0700	/2000
E-5 ENG6 - GONZALEZ, OMAR - A02959		11/29		3	/0700	/2000
ENOF RED LINE MEDIC			J T DIMAURO	1	/0700	/2000
SOFC HAWKINS, TOMMY L		11/29		1	/0700	/2000
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task Patrol, monitor, prepare and hold fire to the east of Petites Gap Road.						
Purpose To stop fire progression from expanding into Thunder Ridge Wilderness and progressing to the West.						
End State Fire is held and controlled East of Petites Gap Road.						
7. Special Instructions: Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness. Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate.						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	ROCKY MTN	171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$61F	D
TACTICAL	TAC 2	169.1250N		169.1250N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	169.1500N		169.1500N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)			Approved By (Planning Section Chief)		Date	Time
MARK HUFF			LIZ STRUHAR		11/16/2023	2130

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1. Incident Name:			3.			
MATT'S CREEK			Branch:		Division/Group	
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700					NIGHT SHIFT	
Date/Time From: 11/17/2023 0700 FRI		Date/Time To: 11/18/2023 0700 SAT				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		SHANE STURGILL		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		STEPHEN SCOTT (T)				
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
ENG6		11/29		4	/1800	/0700
E-14 ENG6 AURORA FD, CO				4	/1800	/0700
E-15 ENG6 CO 2280		11/29		4	/1800	/0700
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task Patrol and hold fire along control lines utilizing engine crew resources to tactically fire as needed to ensure fire stays within control lines for the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
Purpose To ensure fire does not slop-over established control lines and protecting values at risk.						
End State Fire is kept within control lines and values at risk protected.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness. Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate. Reduce speed to mitigate darkness and smoke. Minimize foot travel near roads and wear high visibility vests. Accountability is critical throughout the night.						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	ROCKY MTN	171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$61F	D
TACTICAL	TAC 2	169.1250N		169.1250N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	169.1500N		169.1500N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)			Approved By (Planning Section Chief)		Date	Time
SUE SOBIESKI			LIZ STRUHAR		11/16/2023	2130

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1. Incident Name:		3.				
MATT'S CREEK		Branch:		Division/Group		
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700				SIERRA		
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4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF	STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR			
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR	PROBERT, DANIEL DON					
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator	LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time	
DOZER 332	11/27	LEE BLISS	1	/0700	/2000	
SOF HAWKINS, TOMMY L	11/29		1	/0700	/2000	
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task Improving control lines on the Northwest side of the fire utilizing horse trail/road to the James River.						
Purpose To establish control lines on the North side of the fire and protect private lands and values at risk.						
End State Lines established and fire controlled.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness. Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate. 						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	ROCKY MTN	171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$61F	D
TACTICAL	TAC 3	168.7250N		168.7250N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	169.1500N		169.1500N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)		Approved By (Planning Section Chief)		Date	Time	
MARK HUFF		LIZ STRUHAR		11/16/2023	2145	

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ICS 205

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN		Incident Name MATTS CREEK FIRE			Date/Time Prepared: November 16, 2023 0130 HRS		Operational Period Date/Time From: 11/17/23 0700 HRS To: 11/18/23 0700 HRS				
Ch #	Function	Channel Name/Trunked Radio System Talk Group	Assignment	RX Freq	N or W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Freq	N or W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode	Remarks
1	TAC	GP DIRECT		171.5250N		\$F7E	171.5250N		\$68F	D	
2	COMMAND	ROCKY MTN	ALL DIVISIONS	171.5250N		\$F7E	164.1375N		\$61F	D	Rocky Mountain Repeater (FS)
3	LOCAL	APPLE ORCH		171.5250N		\$F7E	164.1375N		\$68F	D	Apple Orchard Repeater (FS)
4	LOCAL	NAT BRIDGE		171.5250N		\$F7E	164.1375N		\$40B	D	Natural Bridge Repeater (FS)
5	LOCAL	ELLIOTT		169.9500N		\$F7E	166.2000N		\$526	D	Elliot Knob Repeater (FS)
6											
7	TAC	NPS-1 SHEN		167.1500N		127.3	167.1500N		127.3	A	Shenandoah NP (NPS)
8	TAC	PORT RPTR		171.5250N		\$F7E	164.1375N		\$5EA	D	
9	TAC	SE COMPACT		159.2850N			159.2850N			A	
10	TAC	R8 FIRE		166.5625N			166.5625N			A	
11	TAC	TAC 1	DIVS A/D	169.1875N			169.1875N			A	
12	TAC	TAC 2	DIV L/NIGHT	169.1250N			169.1250N			A	
13	TAC	TAC 3	DIV S	168.7250N			168.7250N			A	
14	AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	ALL DIVISIONS	169.1500N			169.1500N			A	Matts Creek Fire Air to Ground Primary
15	AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	ALL DIVISIONS	168.4000N			168.4000N			A	Matts Creek Fire Air to Ground Secondary
16	AIR GUARD	AIRGUARD	ALL	168.6250N		110.9	168.6250N		110.9	A	Emergency Use Only

5. Prepared by
(Communications Unit) Jerry W Patrick, COML

Incident Location: MATT CREEK FIRE
County/State: ROCKBRIDGE/VA

***** Special Instructions for State Radios *****

See Division/Group Assignment List (ICS-204) for specific instructions.

MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

Controlled Unclassified Information//Basic

1. Incident/Project Name				2. Operational Period				
Matts Creek				11/17/23 0700- 11/18/23 0700				
2. Medical Aid Stations								
3. Ambulance Services								
Name		Location		Phone		Advanced Life Support		
						Yes	No	
Medic 10		Division A/D		713-572-5196		X		
Big Island Rescue Squad		10961 Lee Jackson Hwy, Big Island		911		sometimes		
Glasgow Rescue		710 McCullough St, Glasgow VA 24555		911		sometimes		
4. Air Ambulance Services								
Name		Location, Capabilities				Advanced Life Support (ALS)		
						Yes	No	
VA State Police 911 / 804-743-2230		Hoist, Short Haul. Will transport to hospital.				X		
Carilion Life Guard 11 911 / 888-377-7628		1 Health Cir, Lexington, VA 24450 (15 minutes)				X		
5. Hospitals								
Name/Address	GPS Datum – WGS 84 Coordinate Standard		Tiger Island Travel Time		Phone	Helipad		Level of Care Facility
			Air	Gnd		Yes	No	
Carilion Rockbridge 1 Health Cir, Lexington, VA 24450	Lat:	37° 46.761'	5 min	20 min	540-458-3300	X		Basic ER
	Long:	-79° 26.470'						
Carilion Roanoke Memorial 1906 Belleview Ave Roanoke, VA 24014	Lat:	37° 15.065'	29 min	50 min	540-206-4301	X		L1 Trauma, STEMI, Stroke
	Long:	-79° 56.570'						
	VHF:							
Centra Lynchburg General 1901 Tate Spring Rd Lynchburg VA 24501	Lat:	37° 25.045'	5 min	25 min	434-200-7387	X		L2 Trauma, STEMI, Stroke
	Long:	-79° 10.239'						
	VHF:							
VCU Evans-Hayes Burn Center 1213 E. Clay St Richmond, VA 23298	Lat:	37° 32.384'	45 min	135 min	804-828-3060	X		L1 Trauma, Burn, STEMI, Stroke
	Long:	-77° 25.764'						
	VHF:							
6. Clinics								

8. Prepared By (Medical Unit Leader)	9. Date/Time	10. Reviewed by (Safety Officer)	
Fred Adler, MEDL 479-238-6064 Nick Arnett, MEDL 408-888-1900	11/16/2023	Ed Bratcher, SOFC (verbal approval)	



HEALTH AND SAFETY MESSAGE

*“We don’t plan on luck to be safe, we plan on sound risk management and good decisions.”
~ The Red Team*

INCIDENT: Matts Creek Wildfire

DATE: Friday, November 17, 2023

Major Hazards & Risks: Communication, Fire Behavior, Rugged Terrain

COMMUNICATION TODAY... Transition to the Red Team has brought new personnel into the operation. Know who you are supervising and who supervises you. The clearest communication is *“face to face” looking at a map*. Establish drop points early; mark them on the ground and map so everyone knows their location. Questions verify truth, so ask them.

FIRE BEHAVIOR TODAY... Significant fire behavior is possible in all fuel types. Flame lengths could exceed 4 ft, making hand tools almost ineffective. Rates of spread could pose control or escape issues, especially on steep slopes. Spotting from embers or rolling material could create fire below you. *Post a lookout where feasible. Identify escape routes and evaluate them throughout the day*. Don’t be caught off guard by the intensity that hardwood leaves can produce.

RUGGED TERRAIN TODAY... Some of you have worked the rocky, steep slopes of this fire and may already have blisters or sprains. Some of you may be going onto this country for the first time today. *Take your time to prevent sprains or falls. Rolling rocks could injure personnel below you*. Think about the time required to safely escape danger from multiple directions. Talk about how you might respond to a medical emergency on the line.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- First person on scene establish command and contact Communications
- Call for medical resources and/or give first aid as you are trained
- Identify transportation options with medical personnel
- Use the Medical Incident Report to inform ICP of patient injuries
- If air extraction or evacuation is needed, start the process early
- Always establish ground transport option, even if air is preferred
- Get help for radio, documentation, transportation, guiding resources to scene
- Plan everyday for a medical emergency...practice*

AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY 220		Prepared By: John Fish		Prepared: 11/16/2023		Prepared Time: 1430 hrs.	
INCIDENT NAME: Matts Creek Fire		OPERATIONAL PERIOD 11/17/2023		START TIME 0900		SUNRISE 0657	
				END TIME 1700		SUNSET 1704	

REMARKS	4. MEDICAL RESPONSE AIRCRAFT	TFR
- All aircraft orders thru Air Attack if on scene, otherwise thru VICC (Charlottesville) - Retardant use restricted in Wilderness Area	* Follow Medical Plan ICS-206 *	Matts Creek 3/2662 7,000 feet MSL Freq: 134.525

PERSONNEL	NAME	PHONE #	FREQUENCIES	AM	FM	FIXED-WING Avail/ Type/ Make-Model/ N#/ Base
AOBD	John Fish	850-843-0977	A/G PRI		169.1500	ATGS Platforms: N16KW - Matts Creek Air Attack
Deputy AOBD	Nancy Barker	253-312-4301	A/G SEC		168.4000	F/W Bases:
ASGS	Jack Finley	404-909-0248	Air-Air PRI	134.525		R/W Bases: New London Helibase (@W90)
ATGS	Gordon Grosslight Bob Leighty	719-431-1389 970-250-0353				Air Tankers Ordered through Chattanooga ATB
HEBM	Frank Haines	605-517-0832				

HELICOPTERS

FAA N#	TY	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	START/AVAIL	REMARKS	FAA N#	T Y	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	START	AVAIL	REMARKS
N561AJ	1	CH-47D	New London	0800 0900	Tanked							
N803PJ	1	UH-60	New London	0800 0900	Bucket							
N767NA	1	KMAX	New London	0800 0900	Bucket							
N46HX	3	B-407	Lynchburg	0800 0900	Bucket/Recon/ PSD							

Finance

Please send all finance paperwork (CTRs, Shift tickets, Agreements, Resource Orders, Casual Hire Forms, etc.) to the QR code or Email address listed below.



2023.matts creek.finance@firenet.gov

Field Maps 2 Factor Authentication Setup



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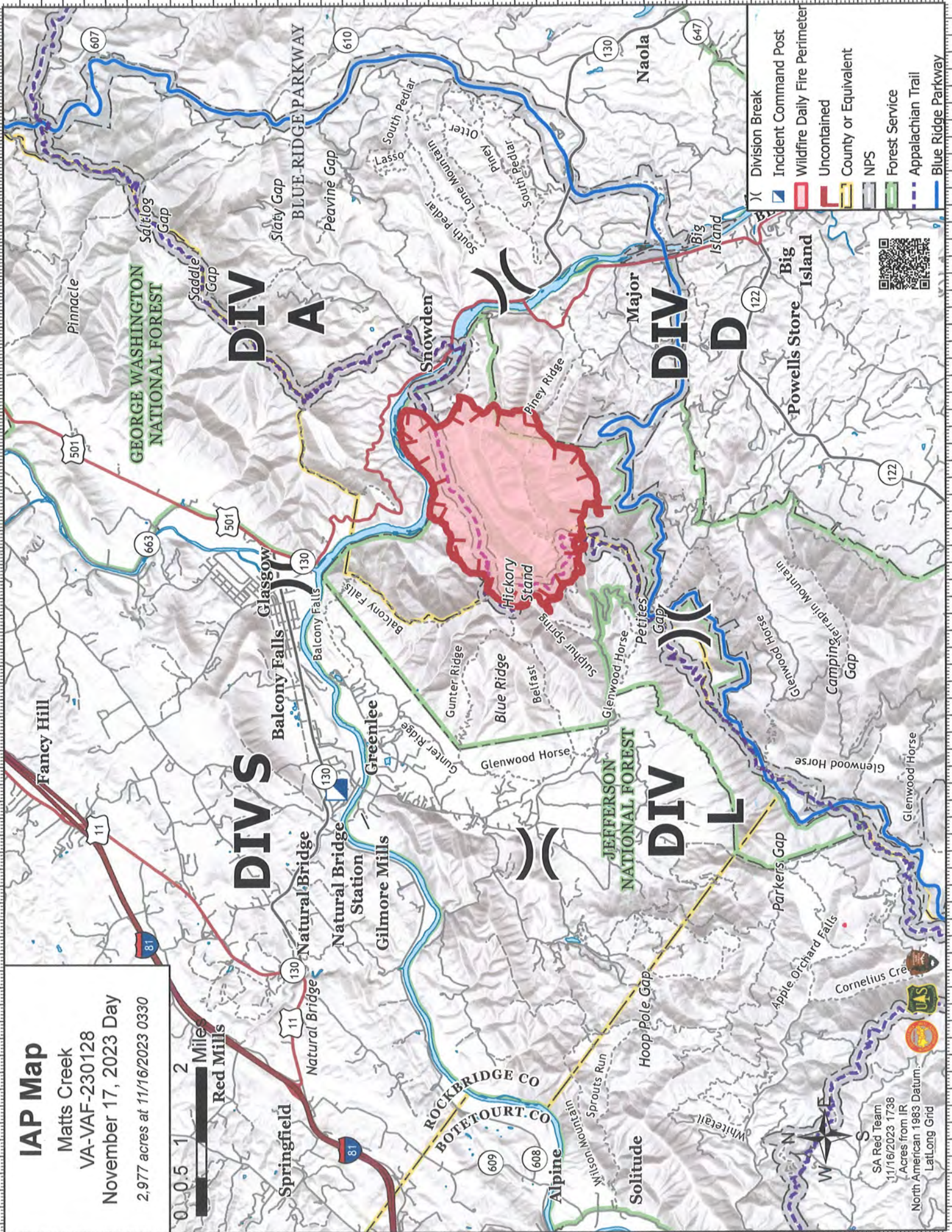


IAP Map

Matts Creek
VA-VAF-230128

November 17, 2023 Day

2,977 acres at 11/16/2023 0330



- Division Break
- Incident Command Post
- Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter
- Uncontained
- County or Equivalent
- NPS
- Forest Service
- Appalachian Trail
- Blue Ridge Parkway

SA Red Team
11/16/2023 1738
Acres from IR
North American 1983 Datum
Lat/Long Grid

IWI IC Responsibilities – Division Group Supervisor or Point of Contact

- Take charge of the scene – inform the Division Supervisor and Matts Creek Communications that you are the IWI IC and establish radio communications (frequencies, channels). Identify the emergency name – Division A medical, etc.
- Assign or begin patient assessment (Medical Incident Report - MIR) and first aid. Request additional medical resources on division/branch or across incident. Transmit MIR patient information to Communications.
- Determine patient transportation through consultation with line medical personnel and Medical Unit Leader. Consider transportation time, risk to personnel, destination facility and available operational resources. If air transport is chosen, implement the plan for alternative transportation in the event aircraft cannot complete the mission. Order transportation resources through Communications as early as possible.
- Notify Communications as resources arrive and any patient status changes. Names of injured or deceased individuals will not be transmitted on the radio.
- Initiate documentation for future investigation; if a line safety officer is available, assign them to lead documentation. Do not move deceased individuals, gear or personal effects except to accomplish rescue work or protect the safety of others. Obtain written documentation of witnesses. Unit Log, ICS 214, may be used for initial documentation, but a narrative will be required.
- As appropriate, conduct an After Action Review to determine successes, areas to improve and lessons learned.

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 COMMUNICATIONS

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

- 1. CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS / DISPATCH** (Verify correct frequency prior to starting report)
Ex: "Matts Creek Communications, Div. Alpha. Stand-by for Emergency Traffic."
- 2. INCIDENT STATUS:** *Provide incident summary (including number of patients) and command structure.*
Ex: "Tiger Island 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 Incident, IC is TFLD Jones. EMT Smith is providing medical care."

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

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

Patient Assessment: (IRPG PAGE 106)	Age:	Weight:	Chief Complaint:
Skin Signs: (color/moisture/temp)	Level of Consciousness:	BP:	HR: Respirations:
Treatment:			

4. TRANSPORT PLAN:

Evacuation Location <i>(drop point, intersection, helispot, Lat. / Long, hazards)</i>	Patient's ETA to Location:
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5. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES / EQUIPMENT NEEDS:

Paramedic / EMT - Crews - Immobilization Devices - AED - Oxygen - Trauma Bag - IV/Fluid(s) - Splints - Rope rescue - Wheeled litter - HAZMAT - Extraction

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

*** Follow up with MEDL upon return to ICP ***



