

# MATTS CREEK FIRE

VA-VAF-230128

USFS - P8QR0724/0808

FWS - FFF2500000QR070

NPS - PFFSQR07C24001

## Incident Action Plan (IAP)

11/19/2023 – 11/20/2023

### Operational Periods

Day Shift	0700 - 2000
Night Shift	1800 – 0700



**Incident Linktree**



### **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)

<b>1. Incident Name:</b>		<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK		Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 0700 SAT	Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700 SUN
<b>3. Objective(s):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure firefighter and public safety by using strategies and tactics that mitigate known and anticipated hazards while providing for the highest probability of success.</li> <li>• Keep fire within the smallest footprint in the James River Face Wilderness area minimizing impact to communities, infrastructure, public, and private lands.</li> <li>• Limit acreage burned through direct and indirect suppression tactics.</li> <li>• Be aware of the cultural sensitivities of the Blue Ridge Parkway and adjacent wilderness areas.</li> <li>• Provide timely and accurate dissemination of information to cooperators, the general public, fire-adjacent residences, and jurisdictional agencies.</li> <li>• Foster and maintain relationships with our federal, state, local, and Tribal government fire protection cooperators. Keep these entities informed of management goals, objectives, successes, and challenges on the incident through various update mediums.</li> <li>• Manage costs to keep them commensurate with the values at risk. Decisions will be made with the goal of managing firefighting resources at a level to meet protection objectives in the most effective, efficient, and safest means possible while employing minimum impact strategies and tactics to the extent possible.</li> </ul>			
<b>4. Operational Period Command Emphasis:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilize aircraft where appropriate and can be most effective.</li> <li>• Continue to scout primary and secondary contingency lines.</li> <li>• Continue to look for opportunities to limit fire footprint utilizing natural and manmade features.</li> <li>• Prevent 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.</li> <li>• Stop, think, discuss, then act and ensure LCES is in place prior to engaging the fires.</li> <li>• Ensure that the Matts Creek fire receives a strategic, risk-based response commensurate with the threats and opportunities and uses the full spectrum of management actions that consider fire and fuel conditions, weather, values at risk, and resources available.</li> </ul>			
<b>General Situational Awareness:</b> 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.			
<b>5. Site Safety Plan Required?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Approved Site Safety Plan(s) Located</b>			
<b>6. Incident Action Plan</b> (the items checked below are included in this Incident Action Plan):			
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<b>7. Prepared by:</b> MORGAN VOSS		<b>Position/Title:</b> PSCC(T)	<b>Signature:</b>
<b>8. Approved by Incident Commander:</b>		<b>Name:</b> PAT PEARSON	<b>Signature:</b> /s/Pat Pearson
<b>ICS 202</b>		<b>IAP Page</b>	<b>Date/Time:</b> 11/18/2023 1930

## ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

<b>1. Incident Name:</b>		<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK		Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 0700	SUN Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700 MON
<b>3. Incident Commander(s) and Command Staff:</b>		<b>CHIEF</b> WALKER, JOE ; WEHERLEY, STEVE	
IC/UC	PARRISH, STEVE; PEARSON, PAT	SUPPLY UNIT	BLONDEAU, LINDA MARIE
SAFETY OFFICER	COOK, MIKE; HAWKINS, TOMMY BRATCHER, ED; LIDELL, BRAD	FACILITIES UNIT	SWICKEY, TAMMY ; BOWMAN, RICH MCCORCKLE, CHRIS (T)
INFORMATION OFFICER	HIBBARD, CATHERINE; O'CONNOR, ERIN (V); MAZZEO, JOE; NICHOLS, JOHN	GROUND SUPPORT UNIT	EMRICK, BRAD ; BLATNEY, BRIAN MARAH, BRYN
LIAISON OFFICER	SWANSON, BRYAN; KNIGHTON, JEREMY (T) HINZMAN, ROXANNA (T); WRIGHT, BRAD (T)	COMMUNICATIONS UNIT	PATRICK, JERRY W RADZIVILL, DAVID
		FOOD UNIT	LOWE, JIM ; MALONE, DAVID
		MEDICAL UNIT	ADLER, FREDERICK R ARNETT, NICHOLAS D
<b>4. Agency/Organization Representative(s):</b>		ORDERING MANAGER	HAYDEN, KATHLEEN ; RODGERS, CYNTHIA HAYDEN, SCOTT (T)
<b>Agency/Organization</b>	<b>Name</b>		
USFS	STULL, LAUREN; KYLE, KEVIN (T)	<b>7. Operations Section:</b>	
VIRGINIA DOF	BRAUNSTEIN, JASON	OPS SECTION CHIEF	STURGILL, SHANE
NPS	SALANSKY, GREG; GARDNER, JEFF	PLANNING OPS	FLOYD, TROY; PARR, JOE (T)
<b>5. Planning Section:</b>		FIELD OPS	EDGE, VICKY; JAMIESON, MARK
CHIEF	RUSSELL, KELLY; STRUHAR, LIZ (T) VOSS, MORGAN (T); HUFF, MARK (PSC3)	DIVISION/GROUP	A CORNWELL, KELLY
SITUATION UNIT	SCHMECKPEPER, ERIC; COLLINS, TONY LANG, NICOLE (T)	DIVISION/GROUP	D ZUARES, DAVID MARTINDALE, J. (T)
RESOURCES UNIT	FARRELL, BARRY; SOBIESKI, SUE; KAMMANN, JASON	DIVISION/GROUP	L FRY, JOHN
DEMOBILIZATION UNIT	THOMAS, DONNA (V)	DIVISION/GROUP	S PROBERT, DANIEL DON
FIRE BEHAVIOR ANALYST	TITUS, GREG	DIVISION/GROUP	STRUCTURE EAST HATFIELD, ART
GIS SPECIALIST	MALLONEE, HESTER; BARNES TOMMY (V); DAVILA, ANTHONY; POOLE, ANNE (V) MITCHELL, EMILY (V) WISEMAN, CAMILLE (T)	DIVISION/GROUP	STRUCTURE WEST ROBERTSON, CRAIG
CHECK IN	WHARTON, CINDY HENSLEY, PAULA (T)	DIVISION/GROUP	NIGHT SHIFT SCOTT, STEPHEN (T)
INCIDENT METEOROLOGIST	CASSELL, CHRISTIAN LEDBETTER, CODY (T)	<b>7b. Air Operations Branch:</b>	
AIR QUALITY RESOURCE ADVISOR	CROFT, JENNIFER	DEPUTY AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR	BARKER, NANCY
TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SPECIALIST	FARMER, TONY; ASHBY, JOE THOMPSON, ANDREW J (T)	AIR SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	FINLEY, JACK
TRAINING SPECIALIST	LEATHERS, MARY (V)	AIR ATTACK SUPERVISOR	LEIGHTY, BOB
READ	IRVINE, PETE 304-676-6000	HELIBASE MANAGER	HAINES, FRANK
REAF	BERES, PLINIO 540-795-9510	AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR	FISH, JOHN
REAF	PAXTON, WYLIE 828-722-4012	<b>8. Finance/Administration Section:</b>	
<b>6. Logistics Section:</b>		CHIEF	MORRIS, SANDRA
CHIEF	SMITH, JOHNNY	CHIEF	MEREDITH, JAMES WARNER, JOHN
<b>9. Prepared By:</b>	<b>Name:</b> SUE SOBIESKI	<b>Position/Title:</b> RESL	<b>Signature:</b>
ICS 203	IAP Page	<b>Date/Time:</b> 11/18/2023 0547	



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:** 3  
**PREDICTION FOR:** Day Shift  
**SHIFT DATE:** November 19, 2023  
**FORECAST ISSUED:** November 18, 2023 @1600

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

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**WEATHER DISCUSSION:** Very poor humidity recovery around 35 to 45 percent in the morning on the ridges, but some patchy dense fog is possible in the valleys. Otherwise, sunny skies, winds west at 5 to 10 mph. Critically low humidity around 20 to 30 percent in the afternoon. High temperatures in the mid to upper 50s.

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**WEATHER FORECAST:**

**WEATHER:** Patchy dense valley fog in the morning, becoming sunny

**TEMPERATURES:** Mid to upper 50s

**HUMIDITY:** 20 to 30%

**20 FT WINDS:** West-northwest winds 5 to 10 mph

**HAINES INDEX:** 4 (moderate)

**STABILITY/INVERSION:** Strong inversion may not break until 1100 to 1200 hours

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**OUTLOOK FOR TONIGHT:**

Becoming cloudy overnight, winds turn out of the north-northeast at 4 to 8 mph. Humidity recovers to 60 to 70 percent. Low temperatures in the low to mid 30s.

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**OUTLOOK FOR MONDAY:**

Mostly cloudy with only moderate humidity recoveries in the morning to 60%. Winds turn northeast at 4 to 9 mph with humidity remaining steady around 50 to 60 percent through the afternoon. High temperatures in the low 50s.

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**EXTRA INFORMATION:**

Sunrise: 0702

Sunset: 1705

## FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST

<b>FORECAST NUMBER: 04</b>	<b>TYPE OF FIRE:</b> Wildland, Type 1
<b>FIRE NAME:</b> Matts Creek	<b>OPERATIONAL PERIOD:</b> Day Shift
<b>DATE ISSUED:</b> 11/18/23 <b>TIME ISSUED:</b> 1600	<b>SHIFT DATE:</b> Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> 2023
<b>UNIT:</b> George Washington/Jefferson NF	<b>SIGNED:</b> 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.

#### Fuel Conditions from Glenped (441631) RAWs 11/1/23

ERC Y – 26, up 3 from yesterday  
1000 hr – 18%

### FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Expect fire activity to pick up early in the morning due to the poor overnight humidity recovery. Active fire behavior is expected all day. Most active fire activity will be on the eastern flank (Div A).

#### 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	
		Head	Flank	Head	Flank
Hardwood Timber Litter	9	7 ch/hr	1 ch/hr	3 feet	1 foot
Timber Shrub Understory	TU3	30 ch/hr	4 ch/hr	8 feet	3 feet

Probability of Ignition = 51%

Calculated Spotting from ridgetops is **0.2 miles** this is very unlikely  
In **15 minutes** a new spot fire or ignition can reach **2.5 acres**.

#### Specific Areas of Concern:

**Div A:** Fire continues to push to the southeast pressuring the control lines. There are some areas where winds and terrain align these are of special concern.

**Div D:** Heat from above on steep terrain has the potential to roll out to the Blue Ridge Pkwy.

**Div L:** Fire will continue to back and flank to the west and north. Roll out and snags can be an issue along control lines.

**Div S:** Fire will continue to back and flank to the west and north. Impacts to control lines are not anticipated this operational period.

**AIR OPERATIONS:** Clear skies. Some areas of smoke. No major issues for air operations.

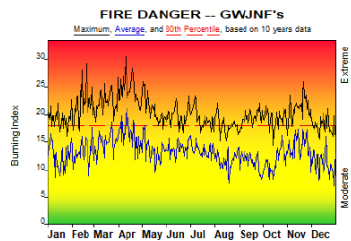
#### SAFETY:

The dead fuel moisture threshold (10-hour, 100-hour, or 1,000-hour), called a time lag, is based upon how long it would take for 2/3 of the dead fuel to respond to atmospheric moisture. Follow the QR link to increase your fire knowledge.



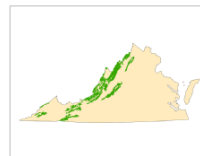
# Pocket Cards - GWJNFs

## Burning Index



### Fire Danger Area:

- FDRA 2
- NWS: Blacksburg, VA
- SIG: Lime Kiln, Sawmill Ridge, Craig Valley, Stony Fork
- \*Meets NWCG Wx Station Standards
- Note: The GWJNF's encompass FDRAs 1-4. FDRA 2 has experienced the largest fires and is being used to represent fire danger for the purposes of this PocketCard.



### Fire Danger Interpretation

- EXTREME** – Use extreme caution
- High** – Watch for change
- Moderate** – Lower Potential, but always be aware

Maximum – Highest Burning Index by day for 2010-2019  
Average – shows peak fire season over 10 years (3649 observations)  
80<sup>th</sup> percentile – 20% of the 3649 days from 2010-2019 had a Burning Index above 18

**Local Thresholds – Watch Out:** Combinations of any of these factors can greatly increase fire behavior:  
20' Wind Speed over 18 mph, RH less than 25%, Temperature over 85, 100-Hour Fuel Moisture less than 15

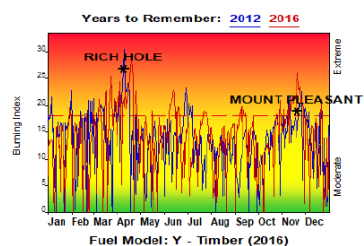
### Remember what Fire Danger tells you:

- ✓ Burning Index gives day-to-day fluctuations calculated from temperature, humidity, wind, daily temperature \* RH ranges, and precip duration.
- ✓ Wind is part of BI calculation.
- ✓ Watch local conditions and variations across the landscape – Fuel, Weather, Topography
- ✓ Listen to weather forecasts – especially WIND.

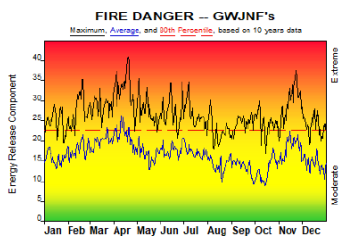
### Past Experience:

- Spring 2012 and Fall 2016 were characterized by prolonged drought, higher than normal temperatures, and several extreme wind events leading to large fire growth and extreme fire behavior.
- Rich Hole Fire: 15,454 acres, Mount Pleasant Fire: 11,229 acres.
- Increased Rate of Spread, Flame length, and Fireline Intensity occur in areas of mountain laurel, fetterbush, and huckleberry accumulations, making direct attack difficult and dangerous.
- After the top layer of leaf litter burns, the moist sub-leaf layer can dry out and ignite several days later, especially during wind events.
- Be aware of 100 hr fuel moisture conditions as an indicator of suppression difficulty.

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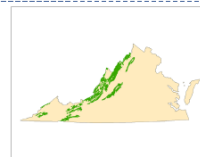


## ERC



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Maximum – Highest Energy Release Component by day for 2010-2019  
Average – shows peak fire season over 10 years (3649 observations)  
80<sup>th</sup> percentile – 20% of the 3649 days from 2010-2019 had an Energy Release Component above 22

**Local Thresholds – Watch Out:** Combinations of any of these factors can greatly increase fire behavior:  
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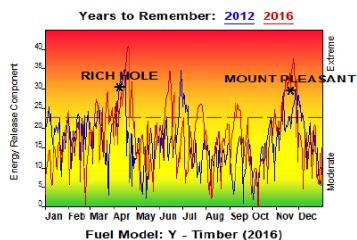
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- ✓ Wind is NOT part of ERC calculation.
- ✓ Watch local conditions and variations across the landscape – Fuel, Weather, Topography
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<b>1. Incident Name:</b>			<b>3.</b>			
MATT'S CREEK			<b>Branch:</b>		<b>Division/Group</b>	
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<b>4. Operations Personnel</b>						
<b>OPERATIONS CHIEF</b>		STURGILL, SHANE		<b>BRANCH DIRECTOR</b>		
<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>		CORNWALL, KELLY S MARTINDALE, JASON (T)		<b>SAFETY</b>		LIDELL, BRAD
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
C-10 CRW1 - BEAR DIVIDE IHC		12/02	ANDERSON, BRIAN	21	/0700	/2000
C-4 CR21 - PACIFIC OASIS WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION NCC 9A		11/28	MOIT, JOHN	20	/0700	/2000
C-5 CR21 TEXAS CANYON		11/28	ORTIZ, ALEJANDRO	20	/0700	/2000
C-9 CR21A PACIFIC OASIS		11/24	LOPEZ, NICK	20	/0700	/2000
O-40 REMS MODULE ROANO		11/23			/0700	/2000
E-13 AMB1 - MEDIC 10		11/24		2	/0700	/2000
O-4 SOF2		11/27	MARION, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<u>Task</u> Construct parallel handline staying direct, when possible, from James River corridor to Blue Ridge Parkway. Strengthen line with tactical burning, keeping pace with fire's edge. Monitor and Assess values along James River corridor, excluding and protecting private lands and structures.						
<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.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness.</li> <li>Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>		<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>			<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
SUE SOBIESKI		LIZ STRUHAR			11/18/2023	2000



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<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>		ZUARES, DAVID MARTINDALE, JASON (T)		<b>SAFETY</b>		LIDELL, BRAD
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
E-4 ENG6 - EAGLE		11/23	WHEELER, HARRY	3	/0700	/2000
E-5 ENG6 - CHIHUAHUA		11/27	GONZALEZ, OMAR	4	/0700	/2000
E-14 ENG6 - AURORA		11/23	DANEK, BRAD	4	/0700	/2000
E- 30 WTS3		11/27	LEWIS, AARON	1	/0700	/2000
O-4 SOF2		11/27	MARION, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> Assess Blue Ridge Parkway for snags and identify falling needs to provide safe travel along Blue Ridge Parkway. Patrol fire line and mop-up 100' interior. Grid green side of Blue Ridge Parkway for spots.						
<b>Purpose</b> To protect private lands, structures, lessen impacts to the Blue Ridge Parkway and hold fire where hand line meets the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
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AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>		<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	
JASON KAMMANN		LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000	

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O-25 TFLD		12/01	WANGSGARD, KEVIN	1	/0700	/2000
C-4 CRW2 - COBRAS 4		12/01	GARCIA-LEMUS, ISAIN	21	/0700	/2000
O-17 SMOD SALMON RIVER		11/29	LOFDAHL, KELSEY	17	/0700	/2000
E-3 ENG6 - WILLIAMS WILDLAND FIRE SERVICE		12/02	WOOD, DAN	3	/0700	/2000
E-17 ENG6 - WOLFROCK		11/23	ACCARDI, JOHN	3	/0700	/2000
E-19 ENG6 - TIMBERLINE		11/26	ANTONIO, JEROME	3	/0700	/2000
BUFFALO BLOWER			VA STATE PARKS		/0700	/2000
O-10 EMPF RED LINE MEDIC			J T DIMAURO	1	/0700	/2000
O-52 SOFR		12/02	BERTOLINA, ROBERT	1	/0700	/2000
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> Patrol, monitor, prepare and hold fire to the east of Petites Gap Road. Patrol and mop-up where fire has impacted Petites Gap Road and keep fire from crossing to the Division Breaks.						
<b>Purpose</b> To stop fire progression from expanding into Thunder Ridge Wilderness and progressing to the West.						
<b>End State</b> Fire is held and controlled East of Petites Gap Road.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness.</li> <li>Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate.</li> <li>Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged at drop point 22 in Division Alpha.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>			<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
SUE SOBIESKI			LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000

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

<b>1. Incident Name:</b>			<b>3.</b>			
MATTS CREEK			<b>Branch:</b>		<b>Division/Group</b>	
<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700					<b>S</b>	
Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 0700      SUN		Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700      MON				
<b>4. Operations Personnel</b>						
<b>OPERATIONS CHIEF</b>		STURGILL, SHANE		<b>BRANCH DIRECTOR</b>		
<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>		PROBERT, DANIEL DON		<b>SAFETY</b>		LIDELL, BRAD
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
C-1 CR2I - GRAYBACK		12/01	DOUGHERTY, MATT	20	/0700	/2000
BUFFALO BLOWER			VA STATE PARKS		/0700	/2000
BUFFALO BLOWER			VA STATE PARKS		/0700	/2000
O-52 SOFR		12/02	BERTOLINA, ROBERT	1	/0700	/2000
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> Scouting and identifying control lines on the Northwest side of the fire utilizing horse trail/road to the James River.						
<b>Purpose</b> To establish control lines on the North side of the fire and protect private lands and values at risk.						
<b>End State</b> Lines established and fire controlled.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness.</li> <li>Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate.</li> <li>Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged at drop point 22 in Division Alpha.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>			<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
SUE SOBIESKI			LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000

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<b>1. Incident Name:</b>			<b>3.</b>			
MATTS CREEK			<b>Branch:</b>		<b>Division/Group</b>	
<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700			<b>STRUCTURE EAST</b>			
Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 0700 SUN		Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700 MON				
<b>4. Operations Personnel</b>						
<b>OPERATIONS CHIEF</b>		STURGILL, SHANE		<b>BRANCH DIRECTOR</b>		
<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>		HATFIELD, ART		<b>SAFETY</b>		LIDELL, BRAD
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
E-18 ENG6 - ATLANTIC WILDFIRE		12/01		3	/0700	/2000
O-4 SOFR		11/27	MARION, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> Establish structure protections and plans for affected communities and structures.						
<b>Purpose</b> Provide structure protection as needed as the Matts Creek Fire impacts values at risk.						
<b>End State</b> All values at risk protected.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assess any areas for potential hazards. Foster positive relationships with local communities and fire departments.</li> <li>Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged at drop point 22 in Division Alpha.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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	TAC2	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
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>			<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
SUE SOBIESKI, RESL			LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000

**Division/Group Assignment List (ICS 204 WF)**  
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<b>1. Incident Name:</b>		<b>3.</b>				
MATTS CREEK		<b>Branch:</b>		<b>Division/Group</b>		
<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700		<b>STRUCTURE WEST</b>				
Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 0700 SUN	Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700 MON					
<b>4. Operations Personnel</b>						
<b>OPERATIONS CHIEF</b>	SHANE STURGILL	<b>BRANCH DIRECTOR</b>				
<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>	ROBERTSON, CRAIG	<b>SAFETY</b>		LIDELL, BRAD		
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator	LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time	
O-52 SOFR	12/02	BERTOLINA, ROBERT	1	/0700	/2000	
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> Establish structure protections and plans for affected communities and structures.						
<b>Purpose</b> Provide structure protection as needed as the Matts Creek Fire impacts values at risk.						
<b>End State</b> All values at risk protected.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assess any areas for potential hazards. Foster positive relationships with local communities and fire departments.</li> <li>Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged at drop point 22 in Division Alpha.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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	R8 FIRE	166.5625N		166.5625N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI	169.1500N		169.1500N		A
AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC	168.4000N		168.4000N		A
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>		<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	
SUE SOBIESKI, RESL		LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000	

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<b>1. Incident Name:</b>			<b>3.</b>			
MATT'S CREEK			<b>Branch:</b>		<b>Division/Group</b>	
<b>2. Operational Period:</b> 0700-0700			<b>NIGHT SHIFT</b>			
Date/Time From: 11/19/2023 1800 SUN		Date/Time To: 11/20/2023 0700 MON				
<b>4. Operations Personnel</b>						
<b>OPERATIONS CHIEF</b>		SHANE STURGILL		<b>BRANCH DIRECTOR</b>		
<b>DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR</b>		STEPHEN SCOTT (T)				
<b>5. Resources Assigned this Period</b>						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
E-2 ENG6 - PATRICK		11/30	JOHNSON, QUINTON	4	/1800	/0700
E-15 ENG6 - CO 2280		11/29	GROGAN, BRIAN	4	/1800	/0700
E-16 ENG6 - PARACORP		12/01	MURPHY, BUTCH	4	/1800	/0700
O-6 EMPF		11/01	BRUCKNER, NICK	1	/1800	/0700
O-7 EMPF		12/01	GARCIA, MARCOS	1	/1800	/0700
<b>6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:</b>						
<b>Task</b> 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. Assess hazard tree locations and identify along Blue Ridge Parkway and Petite Gap Road. Patrol private structures at Hunting Camp in Division A.						
<b>Purpose</b> To ensure fire does not slop-over established control lines and protecting values at risk.						
<b>End State</b> Fire is kept within control lines and values at risk protected.						
<b>7. Special Instructions:</b>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness.</li> <li>Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate.</li> <li>Minimize foot travel off unimproved surfaces and roadways. and wear high vis clothing.</li> <li>Reduce travel speeds to mitigate traveling in the darkness and smoke.</li> <li>Accountability is critical through out the night.</li> </ul>						
<b>8. Division/Group Communication Summary</b>						
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
<b>9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)</b>		<b>Approved By (Planning Section Chief)</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	
SUE SOBIESKI		LIZ STRUHAR		11/18/2023	2000	

# ICS 205

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN			Incident Name <b>MATTS CREEK FIRE</b>			Date/Time Prepared: <b>November 18, 2023 1500 HRS</b>		Operational Period Date/Time <b>From: 11/19/23 0700 HRS To: 11/20/23 0700 HRS</b>		
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	STRUCTURE WEST	166.5625N		166.5625N		A		
11	TAC	TAC 1	DIV A, DIV L	169.1875N		169.1875N		A		
12	TAC	TAC 2	STRUCTURE EAST NIGHT	169.1250N		169.1250N		A		
13	TAC	TAC 3	DIV D, 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					

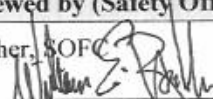
**\*\*\* Special Instructions for State Radios \*\*\***

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

## MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

Controlled Unclassified Information//Basic

<b>1. Incident/Project Name</b>				<b>2. Operational Period</b>				
Matts Creek				11/19/23 0700 - 11/20/23 0700				
<b>2. Medical Aid Stations</b>								
<b>3. Ambulance Services</b>								
Matts Creek Communications 252-723-3394								
<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Phone</b>		<b>Advanced Life Support</b>				
				<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>			
Medic 10	Division A/D	713-572-5196		X				
Big Island Rescue Squad	10961 Lee Jackson Hwy, Big Island	911		sometimes				
Glasgow Rescue	710 McCullouch St, Glasgow VA 24555	911		sometimes				
<b>4. Air Ambulance Services</b>								
<b>Name</b>	<b>Location, Capabilities</b>				<b>Advanced Life Support (ALS)</b>			
					<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>		
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			
<b>5. Hospitals</b>								
<b>Name/Address</b>	<b>GPS Datum – WGS 84 Coordinate Standard</b>		<b>Travel Time</b>		<b>Phone</b>	<b>Helipad</b>		<b>Level of Care Facility</b>
	<b>Lat:</b>	<b>Long:</b>	<b>Air</b>	<b>Gnd</b>		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
Carilion Rockbridge 1 Health Cir, Lexington, VA 24450	37° 46.761'	-79° 26.470'	5 min	20 min	540-458-3300	X		Basic ER
Carilion Roanoke Memorial 1906 Belleview Ave Roanoke, VA 24014	37° 15.065'	-79° 56.570'	29 min	50 min	540-206-4301	X		L1 Trauma, STEMI, Stroke
Centra Lynchburg General 1901 Tate Spring Rd Lynchburg VA 24501	37° 25.045'	-79° 10.239'	5 min	25 min	434-200-7387	X		L2 Trauma, STEMI, Stroke
VCU Evans-Hayes Burn Center 1213 E. Clay St Richmond, VA 23298	37° 32.384'	-77° 25.764'	45 min	135 min	804-828-3060	X		L1 Trauma, Burn, STEMI, Stroke
<b>6. Clinics</b>								

<b>8. Prepared By (Medical Unit Leader)</b>	<b>9. Date/Time</b>	<b>10. Reviewed by (Safety Officer)</b>	
Fred Adler, MEDL 479-238-6064 Nick Arnett, MEDL 408-888-1900	11/18/2023	Ed Bratcher, SOFC 	11/18/23



**IWI IC Responsibilities – Division Group Supervisor or Point of Contact**

- Take charge of the scene – inform the Division Supervisor and Matts Creek ICP that you are the IWI IC and establish radio communications (frequencies, channels, or phone (252-723-3394). 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 ICP.
- 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 ICP as early as possible.
- Notify ICP 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.

7. Division   Branch   Group	Area Location Capability	
<b>Div A</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	DP 22 ALS Ambulance Medic 10 (E-13) Omar Dominquez 713-572-5196 REMS Roanoke County (O-40): Mike Roth 540-493-6373
<b>Div D</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.
<b>Div L</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	DP 34 EMPF J.T. Dimauro (O-10) 910-217-2195
<b>Div S</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.
<b>ICP</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	MEDL/EMT Nick Arnett (O-21.50) 408-888-1900 MEDL/EMT Fred Adler (O-21.49) 479-238-6064
<b>Structure E</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.
<b>Structure W</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.
<b>Night</b>	EMS Responders & Capability:	EMPF Nick Bruckner (O-6) 805-443-6786 EMPF Marcos Garcia (O-7) 925-321-5013

- As appropriate, conduct an After-Action Review to determine successes, areas to improve and lessons learned.



## HEALTH AND SAFETY MESSAGE

*SAFETY* starts with *YOU*

We are ALL accountable for SAFE behaviors

<b>INCIDENT:</b> <b>Matts Creek Fire</b>	<b>DATE:</b> 11/19/2023 <b>Operational Period:</b> 0700-2000
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### Major Hazards and Risks:

**Indirect Fire Line-** All personnel need to know their Escape Routes and Safety Zones. Follow LCES at all times!

**Fire Behavior-** Take the necessary precautions when conducting Indirect Fire Line as outlined in IRPG page 83.

**Medical Emergencies-** Discuss the plan for medical treatment and evacuation with all subordinates.

**Air Operations-** Maintain good communications while working with aircraft.

**Hazard Trees-** Don't park vehicles or take breaks near hazard trees, especially where ground fire has compromised the trunk or root system.

**Driving-** Drive defensively with lights on. Slow down in smoke and utilize hazard lights. Provide traffic control on roadways during heavy smoke. Watch out for wildlife both in and around fire perimeter.

## Fight fire aggressively, having provided for safety first.

### Watch Out Situation



11. UNBURNED FUEL BETWEEN YOU AND THE FIRE

### Hazard Trees

- Maintain high Situational Awareness in high risk areas.
- Follow Hazard Tree Safety guidelines, IRPG page 22.
- Eliminate, mitigate, or avoid hazard trees.
- Post lookouts or use a spotter in areas with hazard trees.
- Don't park vehicles or take breaks in areas with high concentration of hazardous trees.
- Establish trigger points for disengagement during high wind events.
- Remember the hazard tree zone extends a minimum of 2 ½ times tree height.
- Keep clear of bucket drops near snags.

SAFETY OFFICERS: MIKE COOK, TOMMY HAWKINS, ED BRATCHER

<b>AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY 220</b>	Prepared By: John Fish	Prepared: 11/18/2023	Prepared Time: 1530 hrs.		
<b>INCIDENT NAME:</b> Matts Creek Fire	<b>OPERATIONAL PERIOD</b> 11/19/2023	<b>START TIME</b> 0900	<b>END TIME</b> 1700	<b>SUNRISE</b> 0700	<b>SUNSET</b> 1703

<b>REMARKS</b> - All aircraft orders thru Air Attack if on scene, otherwise thru VICC (Charlottesville) - Retardant use restricted in Wilderness Area - Flight following on Apple Orchard Repeater (FS)	<b>MEDICAL RESPONSE AIRCRAFT</b> * Follow Medical Plan ICS-206 *	<b>TFR</b> Matts Creek 3/4016 7,000 feet MSL 0800 – 2400 local Freq: 134.525
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PERSONNEL	NAME	PHONE #	FREQUENCIES	AM	FM	FIXED-WING Avail/ Type/ Make-Model/ N#/ Base
<b>AOBD</b>	John Fish	850-843-0977	A/G PRI		169.1500	<b>ATGS Platforms:</b> N16KW – Matts Creek Air Attack
<b>Deputy AOBD</b>	Nancy Barker	253-312-4301	A/G SEC		168.4000	<b>F/W Bases:</b>
<b>ASGS</b>	Jack Finley	404-909-0248	Air-Air PRI	134.525		<b>R/W Bases:</b> New London Helibase (@W90)
<b>ATGS</b>	Bob Leighty	970-250-0353	Air-Air Rotor	121.825		<b>Air Tankers</b> Ordered through VICC from Chattanooga ATB
<b>HEBM</b>	Frank Haines	605-517-0832	Deck		163.100	
<b>UAS Module (UR31)</b>	Ed Yue	304-906-9065				

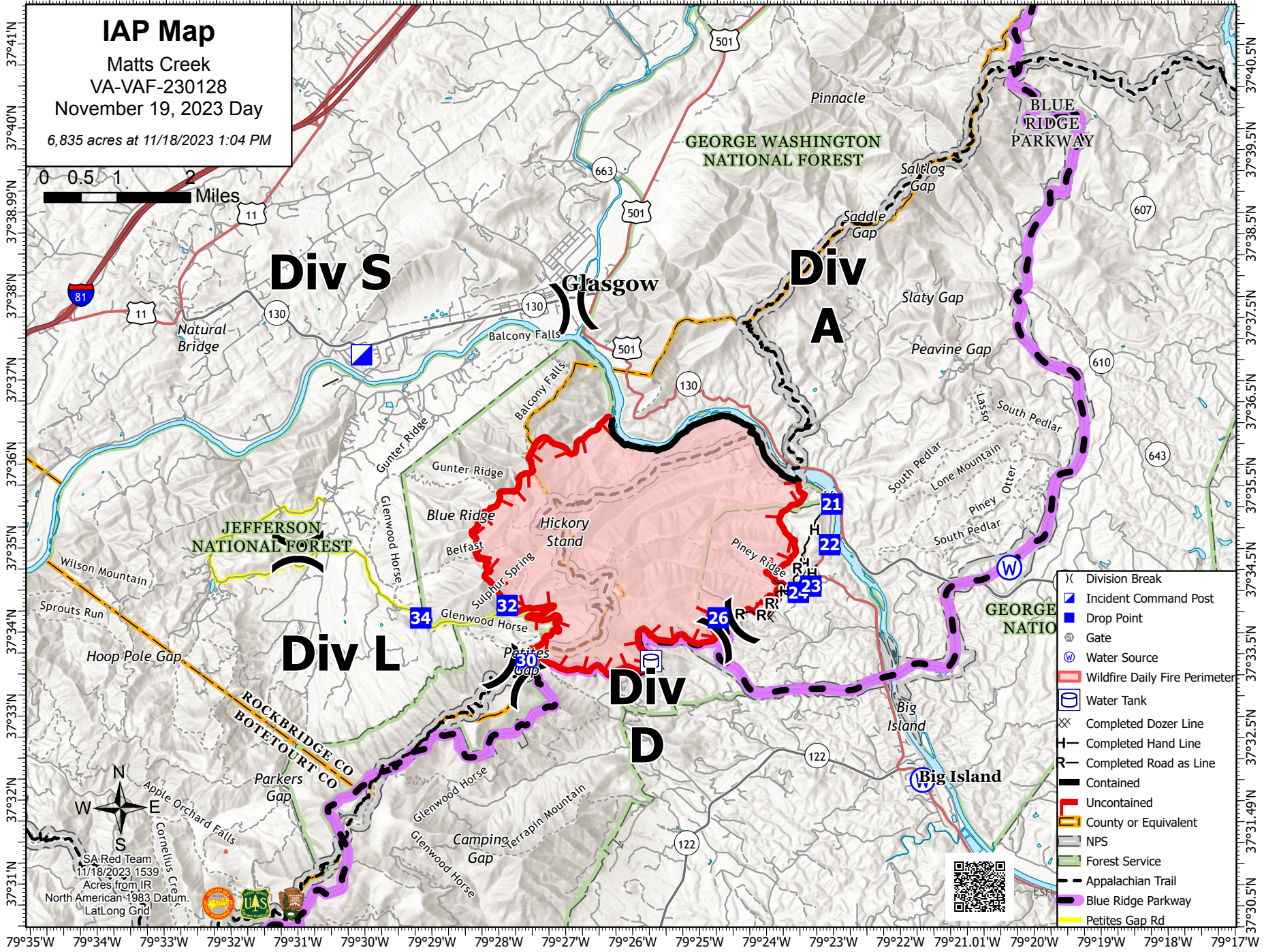
**HELICOPTERS**

FAA N#	TY	MAKE/MODEL	BASE	START	AVAIL	REMARKS	FAA N#	TY	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							

79°34.5'W 79°33.5'W 79°32.5'W 79°31.5'W 79°30.5'W 79°29.5'W 79°28.51'W 79°27.5'W 79°26.5'W 79°25.5'W 79°24.5'W 79°23.5'W 79°22.5'W 79°21.5'W 79°20.5'W 79°19.5'W 79°18.5'W 79°17.5'W

# IAP Map

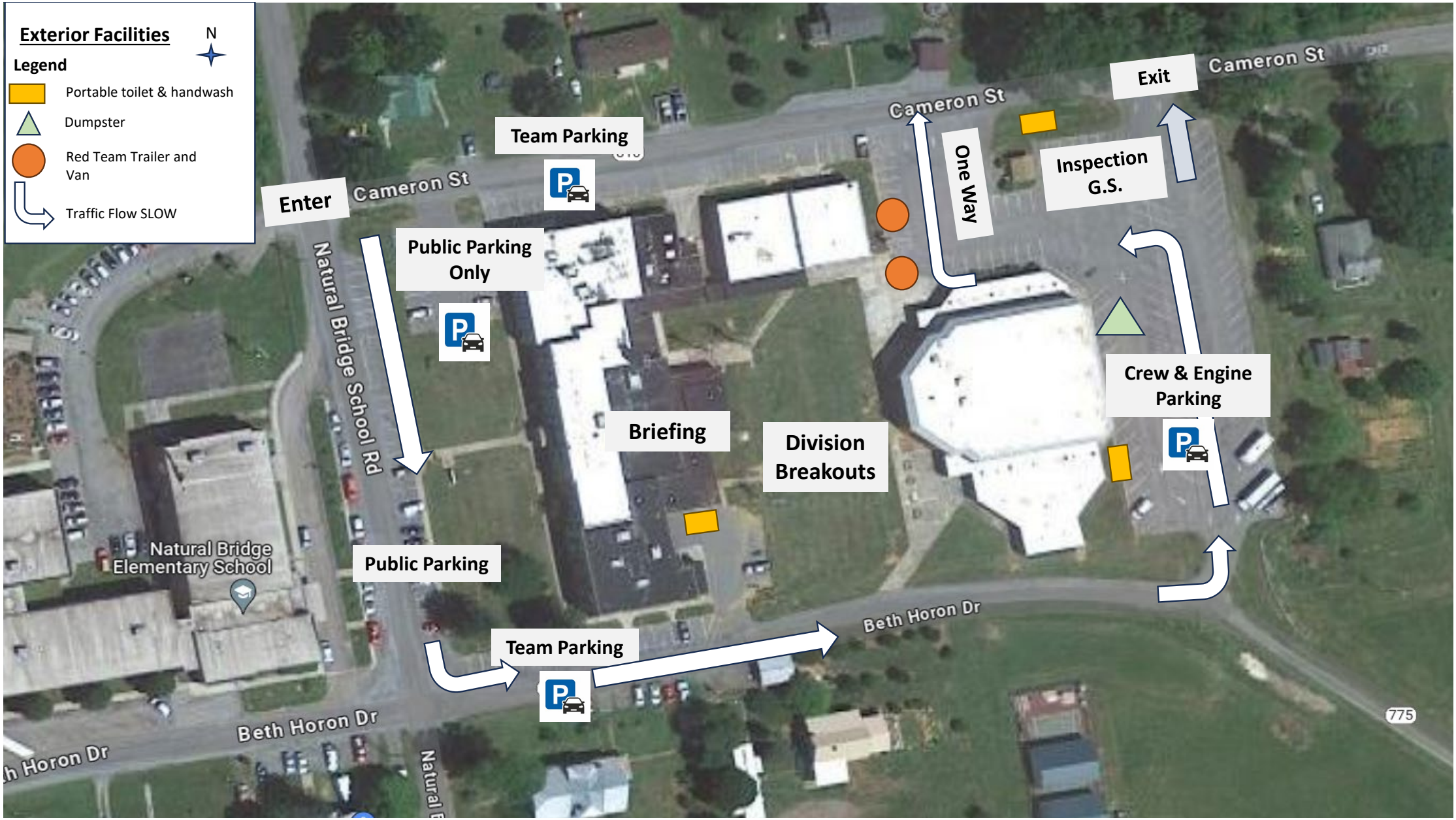
Matts Creek  
VA-VAF-230128  
November 19, 2023 Day  
6,835 acres at 11/18/2023 1:04 PM



- (X) Division Break
- Incident Command Post
- Drop Point
- Gate
- Water Source
- Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter
- Water Tank
- Completed Dozer Line
- Completed Hand Line
- Completed Road as Line
- Contained
- Uncontained
- County or Equivalent
- NPS
- Forest Service
- Appalachian Trail
- Blue Ridge Parkway
- Petites Gap Rd

SA Red Team  
11/18/2023 1539  
Acres from IR  
North American 1983 Datum  
Lat/Long Grid



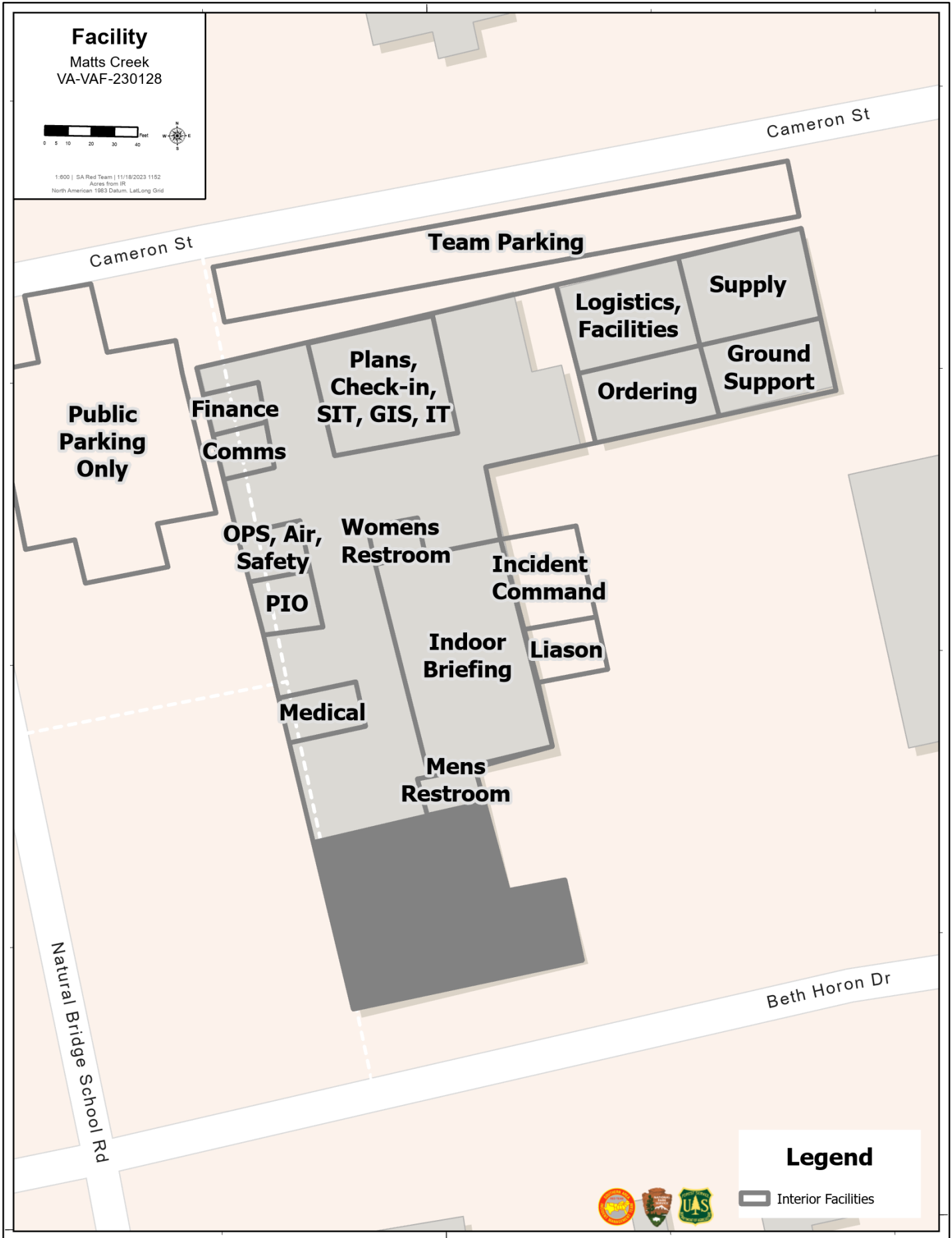


# Facility

Matts Creek  
VA-VAF-230128



1:600 | SA Red Team | 11/18/2023 1152  
Aces from BR  
North American 1983 Datum, Lat,Long Grid



## **RESOURCE ADVISOR MESSAGE – MATTS CREEK FIRE**

Matts Creek Fire is burning in and near several areas of special value on the Glenwood-Pedlar Ranger Districts of the George Washington & Jefferson National Forests (USFS) and the Blue Ridge Parkway (NPS). These include the James River Face Wilderness, the Appalachian National Scenic Trail (A.T.), a Potential Wilderness Area, and the nearby Blue Ridge Parkway itself.

Utilizing Minimum Impact Strategies and Tactics (*MIST*, see *IRPG pages 96-97*) in all phases of fire operations is the best way to protect these special areas from the effects of both the fire and the fire suppression actions.

The Forest Supervisor has authorized the use of several types of motorized equipment and aircraft on the Matts Creek Fire which are normally prohibited in Wilderness. These include and are limited to chain saws, leaf blowers, portable pumps, and both fixed-wing and rotary-wing (helicopters and UAS/drones) aircraft.

Fire retardant use is not currently authorized due to numerous and extensive Aerial Fire Retardant Avoidance Areas in and around the fire area.

No other types of motor vehicles or motorized equipment are currently authorized in either the Wilderness or the Potential Wilderness Area.

On NPS Blue Ridge Parkway lands, no loading/unloading of bulldozers on pavement and no dozer line construction on NPS lands is allowed. Trimming dozers across NPS lands with blades/plows up is allowed.

The entire Blue Ridge Parkway itself is a protected cultural resource, including the roadway, guard walls, guard rails, culverts, overlooks, and pullouts.

Resource Advisors:        Pete Irvine     c: 304-676-6000, or radio.  
                                 Plinio Beres    c: 540-795-9510, or radio.  
                                 Wiley Paxton    c: 828-722-4012, or radio

**TRAINING MESSAGE:**

GET YOUR TRAINING ASSIGNMENT DOCUMENTED WITH THE TRAINING SPECIALIST.

Trainees assigned to the fire should check-in with the Training Specialist and complete the TNSP-1 form.

You can take a can save the document or take a photo of the form. Please email or text to Training Specialist Training Specialist contact information cellphone 254-855-4010, email:

[Mary\\_Leathers@firenet.gov](mailto:Mary_Leathers@firenet.gov)

In addition, please take a photo of the coverpage of your taskbook and send in to Training Specialist either by text or email.

It is the responsibility of the Trainee to review their taskbook with the assigned Coach/Evaluator to discuss opportunities to perform needed tasks.

If the Trainees or Coach/Evaluator have any questions or concerns, please contact the Training Specialist as soon as possible by email, text or phone call. The contact number is 254-855-4010. Email address is

[Mary\\_Leather@firenet.gov](mailto:Mary_Leather@firenet.gov).

QR for TNSP-1





# Finance

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



[2023.mattscreek.finance@firenet.gov](mailto:2023.mattscreek.finance@firenet.gov)

# MATTS CREEK

## VA-VAF-230128

### DEMOBILIZATION CHECK-OUT PROCESS

This incident is using a virtual checkout process for demobilization. **Please do not leave the incident until the follow steps have been completed!**

1. **48 hours prior** to demobilization date, please ensure that:

Your incident supervisor has submitted a [DemobRequest Form](#).

- in coordination with the Demob unit.
- If you need a flight arranged for you, please submit a [Flight](#) Request Form.



Demob Request Form

2. **On your demob date**, please check out with the following units.

- Supply Unit – Return gear and supplies.
- Ground Support/Weed Wash – Return pool NERV rentals, receive inspections, etc.
- Communications Unit – Return Radios and other communications equipment.
- Time/Finance – Ensure that all CTRs and/or shift tickets have been submitted and **you have received your final, signed OF-288 Time Report or OF-286 invoice.**



Flight Request Form

3. **Once you have completed the above steps**, please fill out the [Demob Check Form](#) and contact the Demob Unit Leader to confirm your release from the incident. **PLEASE DO NOT FILL OUT THE DEMOB RELEASE FORM UNTIL ALL PRIOR STEPS BEEN COMPLETED!**

Demob Unit Leader: (936) 488-1231, [2023.mattscreek.demob@firenet.gov](mailto:2023.mattscreek.demob@firenet.gov)



Demob Checkout Form



**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"/> <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>
Crew 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: (IRPG PAGE 106)	Age:	Weight:	Chief Complaint:
Skin Signs: (color/moisture/temp)	Level of Consciousness:	BP:	HR:                      Respirations:
Treatment:			

**4. TRANSPORT PLAN:**

Evacuation Location (*drop point, intersection, helispot, Lat. / Long, hazards*)                      Patient's ETA to Location:

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

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

**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 \*\*\*

