

MATTS CREEK FIRE

VA-VAF-230128

USFS - P8QR0724/0808

FWS - FFF2500000QR070

NPS - PFFSQR07C24001

Incident Action Plan (IAP)

11/21/2023

Operational Period

Day Shift

0700 - 2000



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)

1. Incident Name:	2. Operational Period: 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK	Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE	Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE
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. Minimize impact to communities, infrastructure, public, and private lands. Limit acreage burned through direct and indirect suppression tactics. Utilize minimum impact suppression tactics to limit negative impacts to highly valued resources and assets such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, James River Face Wilderness, and the adjoining potential wilderness area. Provide timely and accurate dissemination of information to cooperators, the general public, fire-adjacent residences, and jurisdictional agencies. 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. 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. 		
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 spread of fire to communities and National Forest lands using Hunt Club Road, Blue Ridge Parkway, Petites Gap Road (Forest Road 35), Trail 3004, and Locher Tract Field as targeted boundaries. Stop, think, discuss, then act and ensure LCES is in place prior to engaging the fires. 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. 		
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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 203 <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 208 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 204 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 220 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 205 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Map/Chart <input type="checkbox"/> ICS 205A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weather Forecast/Tides/Currents <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ICS 206	Other Attachments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIRE BEHAVIOR _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
7. Prepared by: Liz Struhar	Position/Title: PSCC(T)	Signature: /s/ Liz Struhar
8. Approved by Incident Commander:	Name: PAT PEARSON	Signature: /s/Pat Pearson
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ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

1. Incident Name:		2. Operational Period: 0700-0700	
MATTS CREEK		Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700	Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000
		TUE	TUE
3. Incident Commander(s) and Command Staff:			
IC/UC	PARRISH, STEVE; PEARSON, PAT		FACILITIES UNIT SWICKEY, TAMMY ; BOWMAN, RICH MCCORCKLE, CHRIS (T)
SAFETY OFFICER	HAWKINS, TOMMY, BRATCHER, ED; LIDELL, BRAD		GROUND SUPPORT UNIT EMRICK, BRAD ; BLATNEY, BRIAN MARAH, BRYN
INFORMATION OFFICER	HIBBARD, CATHERINE; O'CONNOR, ERIN (V); MAZZEO, JOE; NICHOLS, JOHN		COMMUNICATIONS UNIT PATRICK, JERRY W; RADZIVILL, DAVID 252-723-3394
LIAISON OFFICER	SWANSON, BRYAN; KNIGHTON, JEREMY (T)		FOOD UNIT LOWE, JIM ; MALONE, DAVID
	HINZMAN, ROXANNA (T); WRIGHT, BRAD (T)		MEDICAL UNIT ADLER, FREDERICK R ARNETT, NICHOLAS D
			ORDERING MANAGER HAYDEN, KATHLEEN; RODGERS, CYNTHIA; JORDAN, SCOTT(T);
4. Agency/Organization Representative(s):			
Agency/Organization	Name		RCDM CLEVENGER, JAKE
USFS	STULL, LAUREN; KYLE, KEVIN (T)		7. Operations Section:
VIRGINIA DOF	BRAUNSTEIN, JASON		OPS SECTION CHIEF STURGILL, SHANE
NPS	SALANSKY, GREG; GARDNER, JEFF		PLANNING OPS FLOYD, TROY; WALKER, DAVE
			FIELD OPS EDGE, VICKY; JAMIESON, MARK
5. Planning Section:			
CHIEF	RUSSELL, KELLY; STRUHAR, LIZ (T) HUFF, MARK (PSC3)		DIVISION/GROUP A / D ZUARES, DAVID; MARTINDALE, J. (T)
SITUATION UNIT	SCHMECKPEPER, ERIC; COLLINS, TONY; LANG, NICOLE (T)		DIVISION/GROUP L CORNWALL, KELLY
RESOURCES UNIT	FARRELL, BARRY; SOBIESKI, SUE; KAMMANN, JASON		DIVISION/GROUP S PROBERT, DANIEL DON
DEMOBILIZATION UNIT	THOMAS, DONNA (V)		DIVISION/GROUP STRUCTURE EAST HATFIELD, ART
FIRE BEHAVIOR ANALYST	TITUS, GREG		DIVISION/GROUP STRUCTURE WEST ROBERTSON, CRAIG
GIS SPECIALIST	MALLONEE, HESTER; BARNES TOMMY (V); DAVILA, ANTHONY; POOLE, ANNE (V) MITCHELL, EMILY (V) WISEMAN, CAMILLE (T)		DIVISION/GROUP INITIAL ATTACK MARTINDALE, JASON (T) (IA LEADER)
CHECK IN	WHARTON, CINDY HENSLEY, PAULA (T)		7b. Air Operations Branch:
INCIDENT METEOROLOGIST	CASSELL, CHRISTIAN LEDBETTER, CODY (T)		DEPUTY AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR BARKER, NANCY
AIR QUALITY RESOURCE ADVISOR	CROFT, JENNIFER		AIR SUPPORT SUPERVISOR FINLEY, JACK
TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SPECIALIST	ASHBY, JOE THOMPSON, ANDREW J (T)		AIR ATTACK SUPERVISOR LEIGHTY, BOB
TRAINING SPECIALIST	LEATHERS, MARY (V)		HELIBASE MANAGER HAINES, FRANK
READ	IRVINE, PETE 304-676-6000		AIR OPS BRANCH DIRECTOR FISH, JOHN
REAF	BERES, PLINIO 540-795-9510		8. Finance/Administration Section:
REAF	PAXTON, WYLIE 828-722-4012		CHIEF MORRIS, SANDRA; MEREDITH, JAMES; WARNER, JOHN
6. Logistics Section:			TIME UNIT WINKLER, KIM (PERSONNEL) FARLEY (V) (EQUIPMENT)
CHIEF	SMITH, JOHNNY WALKER, JOE		PROCUREMENT UNIT MIDDLESWORTH, DENISE
SUPPLY UNIT	BLONDEAU, LINDA MARIE		COMPENSATION UNIT LOWDER, DIANE (V)
			COST UNIT PEARSON, RACHEL
9. Prepared By:	Name: SUE SOBIESKI	Position/Title: RESL	Signature:
ICS 203	IAP Page	Date/Time: 11/20/2023 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: 5
PREDICTION FOR: Day Shift
SHIFT DATE: November 21, 2023
FORECAST ISSUED: November 20, 2023 @1600

NAME OF FIRE: Matts Creek
UNIT: VA-VIC
SIGNED: Christian Cassell
Incident Meteorologist

WEATHER DISCUSSION: Rain develops and intensifies through the day ahead of a strong moisture-laden cold front arriving this evening. The most intense rain rates are expected late afternoon through mid-evening. Rainfall amounts of 1.5" to 3.0" expected, with isolated higher amounts along and near the spine of the Blue Ridge Mts. Expect poor visibility on roadways in fog, smoke, and rain. Other impacts include standing water in poor drainage areas as well as increased risk of rockfall and treefall in rugged terrain. Expect complete or near-complete cloud obscuration of the mountains through much if not all of the day.

WEATHER FORECAST:

WEATHER: Continuous rain, becoming heavier through the afternoon.

TEMPERATURES: Lower to upper 40s.

HUMIDITY: Near 100%.

20 FT WINDS: East 5 to 10 mph. Gusts to 15 mph especially at higher elevations. Winds become West to West-Northwest 4 to 8 mph with gusts to 12 mph around 1700 or 1800 hrs.

HAINES INDEX: 2 (Very Low)

STABILITY/INVERSION: Stable conditions will persist through the day.

OUTLOOK FOR TONIGHT:

Rain, heavy at times, mostly around midnight. A chance of light rain or drizzle after midnight. Low temperatures in the lower to mid 40s. Above the surface inversion, West-Northwest wind 4 to 8 mph increasing to 10 to 15 mph with gusts to 25 mph toward morning.

OUTLOOK FOR WEDNESDAY:

Cool and breezy. Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers. Highs in the lower to mid 50s. Northwest wind 15 to 20 mph. Gusts to 30 mph in the afternoon, more persistent on ridgetops.

EXTRA INFORMATION:

Sunrise: 0704

Sunset: 1703

FIRE BEHAVIOR FORECAST

FORECAST NUMBER: 06	TYPE OF FIRE: Wildland, Type 1
FIRE NAME: Matts Creek	OPERATIONAL PERIOD: Day Shift
DATE ISSUED: 11/20/23 TIME ISSUED: 1600	SHIFT DATE: Tuesday, November 21 st 2023
UNIT: George Washington/Jefferson NF	SIGNED: Greg Titus, FBAN

WEATHER SUMMARY:

See weather forecast in today's IAP

FUELS:

<p>A Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory was issued for Southern Appalachian Mountains and Piedmont on November 13th. Use link below.</p>	<p>Pocket Cards GWJ NFs</p>	<p>The surface fuel is mostly hardwood leaf litter that has fallen over the past few weeks. Today's rain will moisten fine fuels. Little to no fuels will be available to burn.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Forecasted from Glenped (441631) RAWs 11/20/23</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ERC Y – 18, down 8 from yesterday 1000 hr – 18%</p>
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FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Due to the ongoing rain, fire spread is nearly impossible. Do not expect to see active fire today. Smoldering may occur under very sheltered locations, such as the underside of large logs.

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

Vegetation	Fuel Models	Max Rate of Spread	Flame Length
All fuel types	9, TU3	0.1 ch/hr	Smoldering

Probability of Ignition = 0%
No spotting

Specific Areas of Concern: No areas of special concern from a fire behavior standpoint.

AIR OPERATIONS: Rainy conditions will preclude air operations.

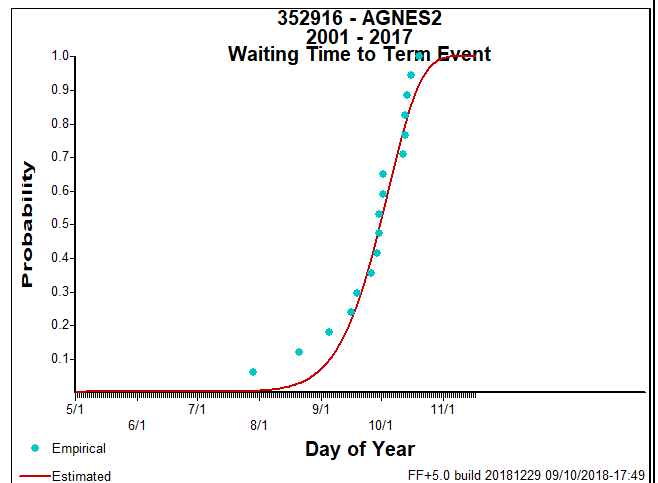
SAFETY:

LEARN MORE ABOUT FIRE BEHAVIOR

Each year fire season comes to an end. The date when a fire season will end is important on large fires for planning operations. A term analysis (done using the Fire Family Plus program) is a way to predict the probability of when fire season will end based on when past fire seasons have ended.

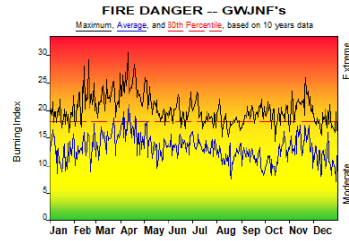
In the example to the right there is a 25% chance that the fire season will end by Sept 19th, a 50% chance it will end by October 1st and a 90% chance it will end by October 19th.

This is another decision support tool utilized in conjunction with analysis and forecasting by NWS meteorologists and IMET's.



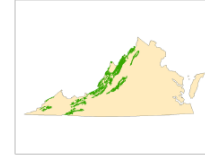
Pocket Cards - GWJNFs

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)
80th 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

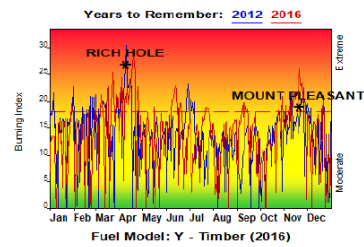
Remember what Fire Danger tells you:

- ✓ 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.

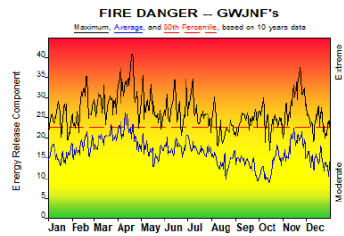
Past Experience:

- 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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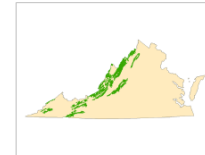


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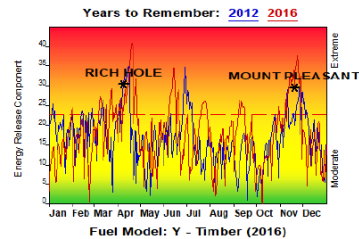
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1. Incident Name:			3.			
MATT'S CREEK			Branch:		Division/Group	
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700			ALPHA / DELTA			
Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE		Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		ZUARES, DAVID MARTINDALE, JASON CARL (T)		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
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 CR2IA - PACIFIC OASIS		11/25	MOIT, JOHN	20	/0700	/2000
E-18 ENG6 ATLANTIC WILDFIRE		12/01	HALL-MATSON, GARY	3	/0700	/2000
E-26 ENG6 PATRICK ENV		12/04	RAMPINI, PAUL	3	/0700	/2000
E-28 ENG6 - WILDLAND SERVICES 22		12/02	CARSWELL, CHRIS	3	/0700	/2000
E-30 WTS3 GILA VENTURES LLC		11/27	LEWIS, AARON	1	/0700	/2000
E-13 AMB1 - MEDIC 10		11/24		2	/0700	/2000
O-40 REMS ROANOKE		11/23	ROTH, MIKE	1	/0700	/2000
O-4 SOFR		11/27	MARION, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task: Continue patrol and mop up fire lines 100' deep. Assess and mitigate hazard trees that pose a threat to fire fighters.						
Purpose: To protect private lands, structures, lessen impacts to the Blue Ridge Parkway and hold fire where hand line meets the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
End State: Private lands and structures protected, and fire contained along hand line to the Blue Ridge Parkway.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilize MIST tactics in the James River Face Wilderness and adjacent potential wilderness area. Utilize tactical firing if needed to keep ahead of main fire along control lines where appropriate. <p><i>* by resource name Indicates Initial attack Resource. Rendezvous Points are DP22 or DP34 and will be communicated at time of dispatch. Reference Initial Attack 204 for specifics.</i></p>						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 1	168.0500N	156.7	168.0500N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 2	168.2000N	156.7	168.2000N	156.7	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			11/20/2023	2000

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4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		CORNWALL, KELLY S		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
O-25 TFLD		12/01	WANGSGARD, KEVIN	1	/0700	/2000
C-2 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
E-25 ENG6 - WILDLAND SERVICES 25		12/02	HATCH, JARED	3	/0700	/2000
O-10 EMPF RED LINE MEDIC		11/28	J T DIMAURO	1	/0700	/2000
O-53 SOFC		12/03	STONE, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task						
Patrol, monitor and hold fire to the East and North of Petites Gap Road. Patrol and mop-up where fire has impacted Petites Gap Road 100' deep. Assess and mitigate hazard trees along the Petites Gap RD Corridor.						
Purpose						
To stop fire progression from expanding into Thunder Ridge Wilderness and progressing to the West. Create safe travel corridors and limit impact to roadway.						
End State						
Fire is held and controlled East of Petites Gap Road. All identified hazards mitigated.						
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. 						
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DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		CORNWALL, KELLY S		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD	
7. Special Instructions:							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged in Division Alpha. Coordinate with LE to provide access the public water source when conditions allow. <p><i>* by resource name Indicates Initial attack Resource. Rendezvous Points are DP22 or DP34 and will be communicated at time of dispatch. Reference Initial Attack 204 for specifics.</i></p>							
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O-118 TFLD (T)	12/03	THEILER, BRIAN	1	/0700	/2000	
O-119 TFLD (T)	12/03	BENNINGTON, AARON	1	/0700	/2000	
C-1 CR2I - GRAYBACK	12/01	DOUGHERTY, MATT	20	/0700	/2000	
C-5 CR2IA TEXAS CANYON	11/29	ORTIZ, ALEJANDRO	20	/0700	/2000	
C-9 CR2I PACIFIC OASIS	11/24	LOPEZ, NICK	20	/0700	/2000	
C-10 CRW1 BEAR DIVIDE *	11/29	ANDERSON, BRIAN	21	/0700	/2000	
O-117 SMOD CASCADIA	11/25	VINCENT, BRIAN	10	/0700	/2000	
E-4 ENG6 EAGLE *	11/23	WHEELER, HARRY	3	/0700	/2000	
E-5 ENG6 CHIHUAHUA *	11/25	BIGROPE, RORY	3	/0700	/2000	
E-14 ENG6 AURORA	12/01	DANEK, BRAD	4	/0700	/2000	
E-27 ENG6 ATLANTIC WILDFIRE	12/02	THOMPSON, CODY	3	/0700	/2000	
E-29 ENG6 WILDLANDS FIRE	12/02	VERA, ANTHONY	3	/0700	/2000	
E-22 AMBU 901 ESSI	12/03		2	/0700	/2000	
O-53 SOFC	12/02	STONE DAVID	1	/0700	/2000	
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task						
Patrol and mop up control lines on the Northwest side of the fire utilizing horse trail/road and hand line to the James River. Clean up line as conditions allow. Patrol, monitor and mop up 100'. Identify and mitigate hazard trees.						
Purpose						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 2	168.2000N	156.7	168.2000N	156.7	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	
JASON KAMMANN		LIZ STRUHAR		11/20/2023	2000	

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					SIERRA	
Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE		Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		PROBERT, DANIEL DON		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
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. Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged in Division Alpha. Coordinate with LE to provide access the public water source when conditions allow. <p><i>* by resource name Indicates Initial attack Resource. Rendezvous Points are DP22 or DP34 and will be communicated at time of dispatch. Reference Initial Attack 204 for specifics.</i></p>						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 2	168.2000N	156.7	168.2000N	156.7	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
JASON KAMMANN		LIZ STRUHAR			11/20/2023	2000

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

1. Incident Name:			3.			
MATTS CREEK			Branch:		Division/Group	
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700			STRUCTURE EAST			
Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE		Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		HATFIELD, ART		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task Establish structure protections and plans for affected communities and structures.						
Purpose Provide structure protection as needed as the Matts Creek Fire impacts values at risk.						
End State All values at risk protected.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess any areas for potential hazards. Foster positive relationships with local communities and fire departments. Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged in Division Alpha. <p><i>* by resource name Indicates Initial attack Resource. Rendezvous Points are DP22 or DP34 and will be communicated at time of dispatch. Reference Initial Attack 204 for specifics.</i></p>						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 3	168.6000N	156.7	168.6000N	156.7	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, RESL			LIZ STRUHAR		11/20/2023	2000

Division/Group Assignment List (ICS 204 WF)
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1. Incident Name:			3.			
MATT'S CREEK			Branch:		Division/Group	
2. Operational Period: 0700-0700			STRUCTURE WEST			
Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE		Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		SHANE STURGILL		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		ROBERTSON, CRAIG		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
O-53 SOFC		12/02	STONE, DAVID	1	/0700	/2000
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task Establish structure protections and plans for affected communities and structures.						
Purpose Provide structure protection as needed as the Matts Creek Fire impacts values at risk.						
End State All values at risk protected.						
7. Special Instructions:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess any areas for potential hazards. Foster positive relationships with local communities and fire departments. Ambulance Medic 10 and Roanoke County REMS are staged in Division Alpha. <p><i>* by resource name Indicates Initial attack Resource. Rendezvous Points are DP22 or DP34 and will be communicated at time of dispatch. Reference Initial Attack 204 for specifics.</i></p>						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 4	166.7250N	156.7	166.7250N	156.7	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, RESL			LIZ STRUHAR		11/20/2023	2000

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			INITIAL ATTACK			
Date/Time From: 11/21/2023 0700 TUE		Date/Time To: 11/21/2023 2000 TUE				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		STURGILL, SHANE		BRANCH DIRECTOR		
DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		MARTINDALE, JASON		SAFETY		LIDELL, BRAD
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
		12/31				
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task: Coordinate and implement a rapid initial attack response within Matts Creek TFR with incident resources.						
Purpose: To minimize the burden on host unit resources, take suppression action to reduce potential for long duration events and minimize conflicts of responses from multiple points of dispatch and airspace firefighting activities.						
End State: Minimize duration and size of new and emerging incidents with minimal impacts to local units.						
7. Special Instructions: <i>Rendezvous Points are DP22 (East) or DP34 (West) and will be communicated at time of dispatch.</i> Utilize Local Forest Initial attach procedures and Incident Organizer located on back of IA 204. Utilize Forest Radio frequencies for communication. See 205						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	CMD 1	168.4750	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A
TACTICAL	TAC 5	166.7750N	156.7	166.7750N	156.7	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
BARRY D. FARRELL					11/20/2023	2000

ON-SCENE SIZE-UP*Complete and relay information to Dispatch within 5 minutes on-scene.*

Incident Name:

IC:

Estimated Size:

acres

Ownership at Origin:

DATUM NAD 83
D, dM

Latitude: ° .

Longitude: ° .

Observed Hazards:

Fuel Type:

**Grass
Pine****Grass/Brush
Rhodo/Laurel/Shrub****Hardwood Litter****Oak/Pine
Logging/Slash**Spread
Potential:**LOW****MODERATE****HIGH****EXTREME**

Best Access:

Threat to Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI)? NO Yes- specify:Life or property (structures) threatened? NO Yes- specify:Additional resources needed? NO Yes- specify:

Resources on-scene:

FIRE SIZE-UP*Complete and relay information to Dispatch within 45 minutes on-scene.*

Character of Fire:

**Smoldering Creeping Running Spotting
Torching Crowning Erratic**

Flame Length:

in / ft

Slope:

%

Aspect:

Position on Slope:

Ridgetop Upper 1/3 Middle 1/3 Lower 1/3 Valley

Wind Speed:

Gusts:

Direction:

Elevation:

Cause:

Lightning**Campfire****Smoking****Debris Burning****Arson****Equipment****Railroad****Children****Other:**

Weather Conditions:

**Clear Scattered Clouds Building Cumulus T-Storms
Lightning Overcast Light Rain Heavy Rain**Is Law Enforcement needed on scene? NO Yes

ICS 205

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN			MATTS CREEK FIRE			Date/Time Prepared: November 20, 2023 1300 HRS		Operational Period Date/Time From: 11/21/23 0700 HRS To: 11/21/23 2000 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	TAC 1	DIV A, DIV L	168.0500N	156.7	168.0500N	156.7	A		
2	TAC	TAC 2	DIV D, DIV S	168.2000N	156.7	168.2000N	156.7	A		
3	TAC	TAC 3	STRUCTURE E NIGHT	168.6000N	156.7	168.6000N	156.7	A		
4	TAC	TAC 4	STRUCTURE W	166.7250N	156.7	166.7250N	156.7	A		
5	TAC	TAC 5	INITIAL ATTACK	166.7750N	156.7	166.7750N	156.7	A		
6	TAC	SE COMPACT		159.2850N		159.2850N		A		
7	COMMAND	CMD 1	ALL DIVISIONS	168.4750N	156.7	165.4000N	156.7	A	C-6 Repeater (Matts Creek)	
8										
9										
10		APPLE ORCH		171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$68F	D	Alternative for DIV L, DIV D (FS)	
11		ROCKY MTN		171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$61F	D	Alternative for DIV S, DIV A, DIV D (FS)	
12		NAT BRIDGE		171.5250N	\$F7E	164.1375N	\$40B	D	Alternative for DIV S, DIV A (FS)	
13	AIR TO GROUND	A/G PRI		169.1500N		169.1500N		A	A/G Primary	
14	AIR TO GROUND	A/G SEC		168.4000N		168.4000N		A	A/G Secondary	
15		EMS MUT		155.2050N		155.2050N		A	EMS Mutual Aid	
16	AIR GUARD	AIRGUARD		168.6250N	110.9	168.6250N	110.9	A	Emergency Use Only	
5. Prepared by (Communications Unit) Jerry W Patrick, COM1					Incident Location: Matts Creek Fire County/State Rockbridge/VA			Latitude / Longitude: ° / °		

The convention calls for frequency lists to show four digits after the decimal place, followed by either an "N" or a "W", depending on whether the frequency is narrow or wide band. Mode refers to either "A" or "D" indicating analog or digital (Project 25).

***** Special Instructions: Use Human Repeater When Necessary.**

ICS 205

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN			Incident Name MATTS CREEK FIRE (IA)			Date/Time Prepared: November 20, 2023 1500 HRS			Operational Period Date/Time From: 11/21/23 0700 HRS To: 11/22/23 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	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					

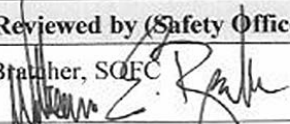
***** Special Instructions for State Radios *****

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

MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)

Controlled Unclassified Information//Basic

1. Incident/Project Name				2. Operational Period				
Matts Creek				11/21/23 0700 - 11/21/23 2000				
2. Medical Aid Stations								
3. Ambulance Services								
Matts Creek Communications 252-723-3394								
Name	Location			Phone		Advanced Life Support		
						Yes	No	
Medic 10	DP 23 - Division A			713-572-5196		X		
Ambu 901	ICP - Division Sierra			865-310-0352		X		
Big Island Rescue Squad	10961 Lee Jackson Hwy. Big Island			911		sometimes		
Glasgow Rescue	710 McCullouch 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 II 911 / 888-377-7628	I Health Cir, Lexington, VA 24450 (15 minutes)					X		
5. Hospitals								
Name/Address	GPS Datum – WGS 84 Coordinate Standard		Travel Time		Phone	Helipad		Level of Care Facility
			Air	Gnd		Yes	No	
Carilion Rockbridge I 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		I.1 Trauma, STEMI, Stroke
	Long:	-79° 56.570'						
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'						
VCU Evans-Hayes Burn Center 1213 E. Clay St Richmond, VA 23298	Lat:	37° 32.384'	45 min	135 min	804-828-3060	X		I.1 Trauma, Burn, STEMI, Stroke
	Long:	-77° 25.764'						
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	11/20/2023	Ed Bratcher, SQFC 	11/20/23

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	
Div A/D	EMS Responders & Capability:	DP 23 ALS Ambulance Medic 10 (E-13) ●mar Dominquez 713-572-5196 REMS Roanoke County (O-40): Mike Roth 540-493-6373
Div L	EMS Responders & Capability:	DP 34 EMPF J.T. Dimauro (O-10) 910-217-2195
Div S	EMS Responders & Capability:	<i>(Note: Engine E-14 is ALS.)</i>
ICP	EMS Responders & Capability:	ALS Ambulance 901 (E-22) Bryan Crawley 865-310-0352 MEDL/EMT Nick Arnett (O-21.50) 408-888-1900 MEDL/EMT Fred Adler (O-21.49) 479-238-6064
Structure E	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.
Structure W	EMS Responders & Capability:	Request adjacent division medical resources.

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



HEALTH AND SAFETY MESSAGE

***DUTY – INTEGRITY – RESPECT
MAKE HASTE SLOWLY***

INCIDENT: Matts Creek	DATE: 11/21/2023	TIME: 0700
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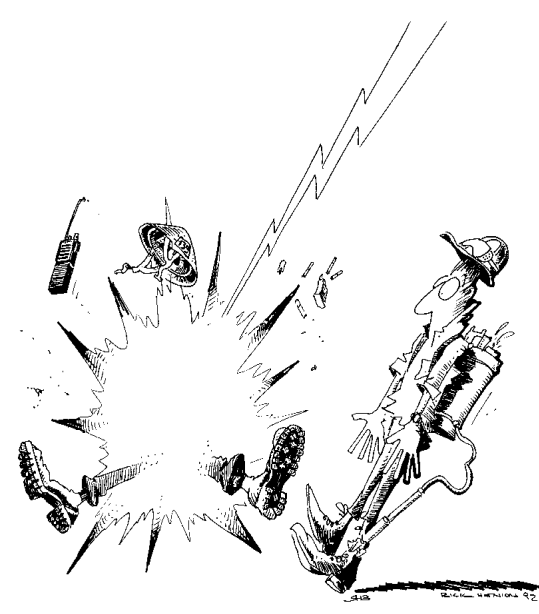
Major Hazards and Risks:	WEATHER DRIVING SLIPS, TRIPS, FALLS
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WEATHER – Keep an eye to the sky. If you see lightning or hear thunder do not resume work in exposed areas until 30 minutes after storm activity has passed, you can reference the IRPG page 17. Locate a safe area to go to before it is needed. Develop a plan for severe weather and make it known to all personnel. With heavy rain forecasted, watch for high water crossings (Turn Around Don’t Drown).

DRIVING – Lights on while vehicle is in use. Use a spotter when backing. Use caution on wet roads, increase following distance. Watch for wet areas on the Fireline breaks. Keep Windshields clean.

Slips Trips Falls – Watch for slick surfaces, wet leaves and mud that can cause slips, trips, falls. Use 3 points of contact for climbing on equipment.

Watch Out Situation of the Day



4. UNFAMILIAR WITH WEATHER AND LOCAL FACTORS INFLUENCING FIRE BEHAVIOR

Hazard Tree Safety

Environmental conditions that increase snag hazards:

- Strong winds
- Night operations
- Steep slopes
- Diseased or bug-kill areas

Hazard tree indicators:

- Trees have been burning for an extended period
- High risk tree species (rot and shallow root system)
- Numerous down trees
- Dead or broken tops and limbs overhead
- Accumulation of down limbs
- Absence of needles, bark or limbs
- Leaning or hung-up trees

**Incident Safety Officer: Tommy Hawkins, Brad Lidell, Ed Bratcher,
David Stone, David Marion, Robert Bartolina**

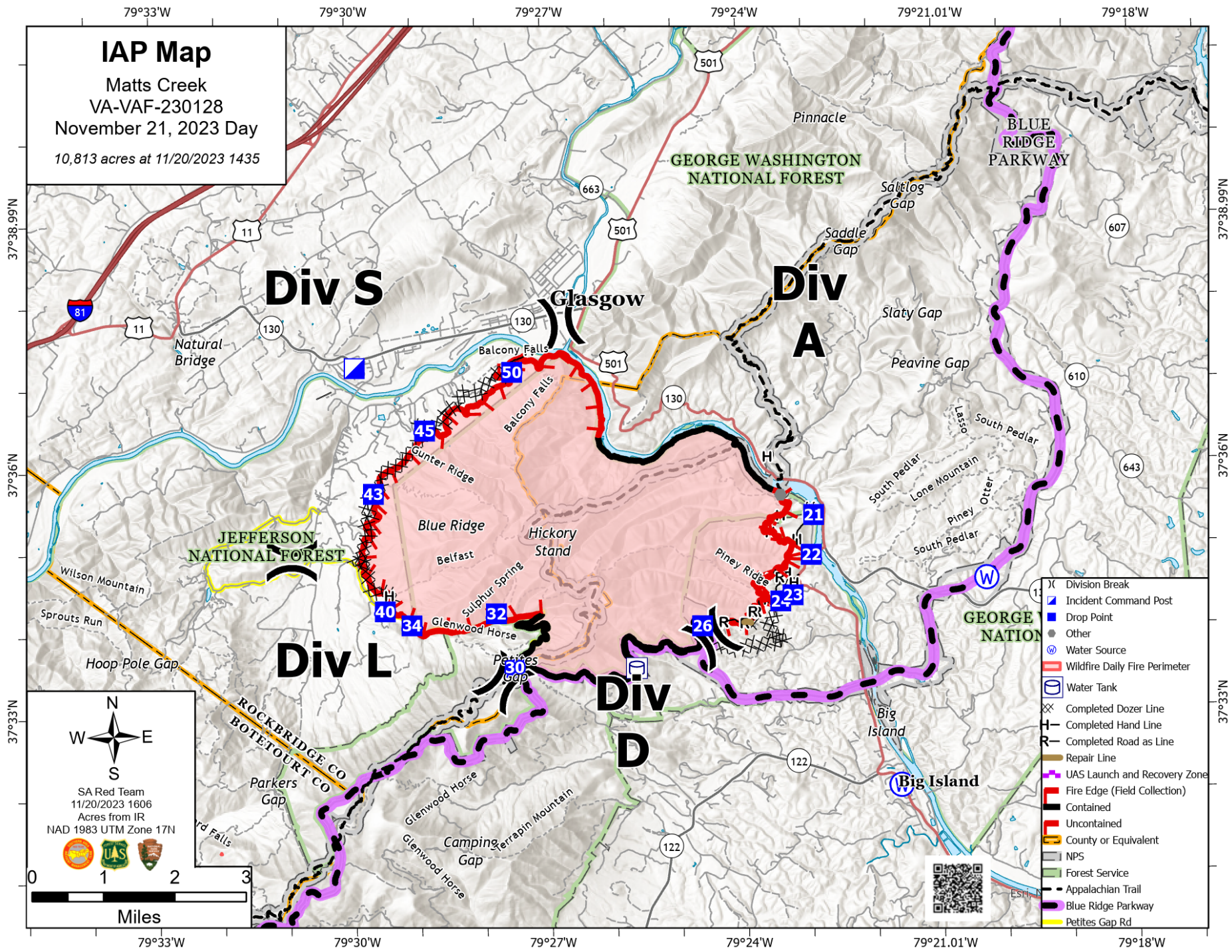
AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY 220	Prepared By: John Fish	Prepared: 11/20/2023	Prepared Time: 1530 hrs.		
INCIDENT NAME: Matts Creek Fire	OPERATIONAL PERIOD 11/21/2023	START TIME 0900	END TIME 1700	SUNRISE 0702	SUNSET 1702

REMARKS - All aircraft orders thru Air Attack if on scene, otherwise thru Matts Creek Helibase - Retardant use restricted in Wilderness Area - Flight following on COMMAND channel	MEDICAL RESPONSE AIRCRAFT * Follow Medical Plan ICS-206 *	TFR 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
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: Matts Creek Helibase (@ New London Airport W90)
ATGS	Bob Leighty	970-250-0353	Air-Air Rotor	121.825		Air Tankers Ordered through VICC from Chattanooga ATB
HEBM	Frank Haines	605-517-0832	Deck		163.100	
UAS Pilot (UR31)	Allan McMillan	540-739-0659				

HELICOPTERS

FAA N#	TY	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	START	AVAIL	REMARKS	FAA N#	TY	MAKE/ MODEL	BASE	START	AVAIL	REMARKS
N561AJ	1	CH-47D	Matts Creek	0800	0900	Bucket							
N803PJ	1	UH-60	Matts Creek	0800	0900	Bucket							
N767NA	1	KMAX	Matts Creek	0800	0900	Bucket							
N46HX	3	B-407	Matts Creek	0800	0900	Bucket/Recon/ PSD							



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 SPECIALIST MESSAGE

Trainers / Mentors:

Please take the time to complete the PTB for your trainee and performance evaluation.

Make sure to have a great discussion with your trainee during the assignment and especially when going over the PTB and performance evaluation.

Trainees:

Beat the Rush!!!

In order to receive documented credit for your training assignment you must register with the incident Training Specialist.

Mary Leathers, Training Specialist
254-855-4010

Mary_leathers@firenet.gov

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FINANCE

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW USING YOUR CAMERA TO SEND IN
YOUR CTRs and/or SHIFT TICKETS



OR EMAIL YOUR PDFs/JPEGs TO:
2023.mattsreek.finance@firenet.gov

In the SUBJECT LINE put OVERHEAD with O# or EQUIPMENT with E# to help identify the content in the email.

If you are an AD, we need a copy of your Casual Hire form and Resource Order.

If you are a Cooperator or Contractor, we need a copy of your Agreement/Contract and Resource Order.

All Contract/Cooperator Equipment needs to have a Pre-Use Inspection form.

If you are a Crew, we need a copy of your Manifest as well as the documents mentioned above.

If you have any questions, or need help getting started, the finance staff will be at the AM briefings to assist you!

SPECIAL NOTE:

If you worked IA for the **Hercules Fire (P8QRG3 0808)**, please indicate that on the bottom of your CTR.

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



Demob Checkout Form

Last Work Day

Incident: MATTS CREEK US-VA-VAF-
11/20/2023 - 11/24/2023

COMMAND

11/22/2023

LOFR O-21.86 KNIGHTON, JEREMY NEIL

11/23/2023

SOFR O-4 MARION, DAVE

EXTERNAL

11/23/2023

BUYM O-37 CONNORS, SYLVESTER E

LOGISTICS

11/22/2023

EMTF O-10 RED LINE MEDIC, J T DIMAURO

11/23/2023

RES O-40 REMS - MODULE - RAPID EXTRACTION MODULE - ROANO

11/24/2023

WTS3 E-30 GILA VENTURES LLC - 121423

AMB1 E-13 MEDICAL JETS INTERNATIONAL LLC - 133195

OPERATIONS

11/21/2023

DIVS O-18 SCOTT, STEPHEN ANTHONY

11/23/2023

ENG6 E-17 KS LLC GENERAL CONTRACTING - C53286

ENG6 E-4 RAMOS, EAGLE - A24183

OSCC O-21.84 PARR, JOSEPH

11/24/2023

CR2I C-9 PACIFIC OASIS WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION NCC 14A

PLANS

11/20/2023

IMET O-26 CASSELL, CHRISTIAN MCDANIEL

PSCC O-21.72 VOSS, MORGAN ANN ELIZABETH

11/21/2023

GISS O-21.87 MALLONEE, HESTER CATHERINE

11/22/2023

IMET O-33 LEDBETTER, CODY JAMES

Date 11/19/2023

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 Roster Assigned			
Name	ICS Position	Home Base	
8. Activity Log			
Time	Major Events		
9. Prepared by (Name and Position)			

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° – 3° 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° – 3° 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		<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 & 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 ***

