

INCIDENT ACTION PLAN

BUCK BASIN FIRE

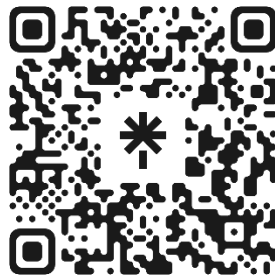
Friday, JULY 17th, 2026

0600-2200

UT-UWF-200428 P4 EL6S (0419)



Check-in, Finance, IAP, Maps



INCIDENT OBJECTIVES (ICS 202)

1. Incident Name:		2. Operational Period: DAY	
BUCK BASIN		Date/Time From: 07/17/2026 0600 FRI	Date/Time To: 07/17/2026 2200 FRI
3. Objective(s): - Balance risk exposure with probability of success - Utilize area and road closures to maintain public safety - Limit impacts to Forest infrastructure - Protect cultural and natural resources - Communicate updated fire info to Agency Administrators, stakeholders and the public - Limit impacts to private structures and property			
4. Operational Period Command Emphasis: - Protect identified values at risk from unwanted fire impacts. - Implement aggressive direct strategies to the extent that is practical. - Minimize impacts to private lands by utilizing MIST tactics. - Utilize Risk Management decision making to provide for firefighter safety			
General Situational Awareness: - Do not take actions in terrain where firefighter risk is high and risk to values is low. - Follow Best Management Practices to prevent the spread of noxious weeds in the fire area. - Maintain heightened awareness on roadways.			
5. Site Safety Plan Required? Yes ☐ No ☒			
Approved Site Safety Plan(s) Located at:			
6. Incident Action Plan (the items checked below are included in this Incident Action Plan): ☒ ICS 202 ☒ ICS 203 ☒ ICS 204 ☒ ICS 205 ☐ ICS 205A ☒ ICS 206 ☐ ICS 207 ☐ ICS 208 ☐ ICS 220 ☐ Map/Chart ☒ Weather Forecast/Tides/Currents Other Attachments: ☐ _____ ☐ _____ ☐ _____ ☐ _____			
7. Prepared by: MORGAN MENDENHALL		Position/Title: PSC3	
8. Approved by Incident Commander:		Signature:	
ICS 202		IAP Page	
		Date/Time: 07/16/2026 0000	

ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

1. Incident Name:		2. Operational Period: DAY	
BUCK BASIN		Date/Time From: 07/17/2026 0600 FRI	Date/Time To: 07/17/2026 2200 FRI
3. Incident Commander(s) and Command Staff:			
IC/UC	RILEY PILGRIM BROCK TAMOWSKI (T)		
SAFETY OFFICER	BRIAN PHILLIPS TRAVIS WRIGHT (T)		
INFORMATION OFFICER	BRENDA BUSHELL ELISSA LACOMB (T)		
LIAISON OFFICER	CHRIS BLINZINGER		
4. Agency/Organization Representative(s):			
Agency/Organization	Name		
UWC NATIONAL FOREST, USFS	KEN VERBONCOEUR MARSHALL BLOM (T)		
FIRE, FORESTRY & STATE LANDS	MIKE ERICKSON		
WASATCH COUNTY	JEREMY HALES		
LEAD READ	ANTHONY GRAY		
5. Planning Section:			
CHIEF	MORGAN MENDENHALL		
GIS SPECIALIST	DREW ELINE		
TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT SPECIALIST	JENN BIGGS		
6. Logistics Section:			
CHIEF	PJ ABRAHAM		
COMMUNICATIONS UNIT	SCOTT SAUNDERS COLE FESSLER (T)		
ORDERING	SCOTT ZEIDLER MEGEN VAN CLEAVE (T)		
BASE CAMP MANAGER	CARLOS SANDOVAL (T)		
7. Operations Section:			
OPS SECTION CHIEF	GARRET HENRY		
DIVISION/GROUP	A	DAVE MARSELLA	
DIVISION/GROUP	Z	JAMES WILLIAMS	
8. Finance/Administration Section:			
CHIEF	JO ROBERTS		
9. Prepared By:	Name: MORGAN MENDENHALL	Position/Title: PSC3	Signature:
ICS 203	IAP Page	Date/Time: 07/16/2026 0845	

Spot Forecast for Buck Basin

National Weather Service Salt Lake City UT
218 PM MDT Thu Jul 16 2026

Forecast is based on forecast start time of 0600 MDT on July 17.
If conditions become unrepresentative...contact the National Weather Service.

.DISCUSSION...

Deep moisture remains in place keeping high humidity and high wetting rain changes in place each day Friday and Saturday. The highest chances for showers and thunderstorms will be from around noon through 6pm each day. The main threats with these storms will be lightning and the potential for very heavy rainfall, along with gusty and erratic winds even in the vicinity of these storms. Otherwise, winds will generally remain light and terrain driven throughout, with winds more likely to erratic in the afternoons with storms in the vicinity of the fire.

.FRIDAY...

Sky/weather.....Mostly sunny (15-25 percent cloud cover) then becoming mostly cloudy (80-90 percent cloud cover). Showers and thunderstorms, especially in the afternoon.
CWR.....60 percent.
Chance of pcpn.....80 percent.
Chance of lightning.52 percent.
Max temperature.....Around 70.
Min humidity.....55-57 percent.
Wind (20 ft).....Southeast winds 3 to 7 mph in the late morning and early afternoon, then becoming northwest 4 to 8 mph late in the afternoon. Gusty and erratic winds expected near thunderstorms in the afternoon.
Mixing height.....7600 ft AGL (50-60th Percentile).
Transport winds.....North around 7 mph becoming south around 8 mph in the afternoon.

.FRIDAY NIGHT...

Sky/weather.....Mostly cloudy (65-75 percent cloud cover) then becoming mostly clear (25-35 percent cloud cover). Slight chance of showers and thunderstorms early in the evening.
CWR.....5 percent.
Chance of pcpn.....20 percent.
Chance of lightning.18 percent.
Min temperature.....55-57.
Max humidity.....76-78 percent.
Wind (20 ft).....Northwest winds 2 to 7 mph. Gusty and erratic winds expected near thunderstorms early in the evening.
Mixing height.....600 ft AGL.
Transport winds.....Northeast around 8 mph becoming northwest overnight.

.SATURDAY...

Sky/weather.....Mostly sunny (15-25 percent cloud cover) then becoming mostly cloudy (85-95 percent cloud cover). Rain showers and chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon.
CWR.....65 percent.
Chance of pcpn.....90 percent.
Chance of lightning.52 percent.
Max temperature.....67-69.
Min humidity.....63-65 percent.
Wind (20 ft).....North winds 2 to 4 mph becoming west 2 to 8 mph in the late morning and afternoon. Gusty and erratic winds expected near thunderstorms in the afternoon.
Mixing height.....7500 ft AGL (50-60th Percentile).
Transport winds.....North 8 to 12 mph.

Division/Group Assignment List (ICS 204 WF)

Controlled Unclassified Information//Basic

1. Incident Name:				3.		
BUCK BASIN				Branch:	Division/Group: A	
2. Operational Period: DAY						
Date/Time From: 07/17/2026 0600 FRI		Date/Time To: 07/17/2026 2200 FRI				
4. Operations Personnel						
OPERATIONS CHIEF		GARRET HENRY		DIVISION/GROUP SUPERVISOR		DAVE MARSELLA
5. Resources Assigned this Period						
Strike Team / Task Force / Resource Designator		LWD	Leader	Number Persons	Drop Off PT./Time	Pick Up PT./Time
C-1 CR2I REDDING IHC		07/21	DANIEL MALLIA	22		
*E-1 ENG6 E631		07/22	TRISTON KING	7		
*E-14 ENG6 E641		07/23	SHANE MITCHELL	3		
O-11 READ		07/26	GEORGE FAUCI	1		
O-21 REAF		07/27	KARINA HAGER	1		
E-11 AMB4 MEDIC 10			TAYLOR SHARPE	2		
6. Control Operations/Work Assignments:						
Task: To stop forward progression of the fire and eliminate spotting potential.						
Purpose: To minimize impacts to Currant Creek Reservoir, and other identified values at risk.						
End state: Cold black 20ft in from perimeter around the whole division.						
7. Special Instructions:						
*= resources available for IA						
8. Division/Group Communication Summary						
Function	Channel	RX Frequency N/W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency N/W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode
COMMAND	1	172.400		164.825	146.2	A
TACTICAL	2	168.050	110.9	168.050	110.9	A
AIR TO GROUND	4	166.275		166.275		A
AIR GUARD	6	155.340		155.340	156.7	A
9. Prepared By (Resource Unit Leader)		Approved By (Planning Section Chief)			Date	Time
MORGAN MENDENHALL		GARRET HENRY			07/16/2026	0845

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C-2 CRW1 SNAKE RIVER IHC		07/22	DAVID ROY	22			
C-8 TARGHEE		07/21	GREG BIRCH	22			
O-33 SMOD K-RIVER DELTA		07/17	DONALD SANDERS (T)	10			
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AIR OPERATIONS SUMMARY (ICS 220 WF)

1. Incident Name / Number			2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared	4. Prepared By
5. Sunrise	Sunset	Pumpkin Time	6. Shutdown	7. Operational Period - Date	8. Operational Period - Time

9. General Remarks, Safety Notes, Hazards, Air Operations Special Equipment, etc.	10. Helibase Information	11. Temp. Flight Restriction (TFR)
	Name:	NOTAM:
	Latitude:	Altitude:
	Longitude:	Frequency:
		Hours:

12. Extraction/Medevac Information			
	Medevac	Short-haul	Hoist
FAA#:			
Phone:			
Location:			
Capabilities			
Request Incident Personnel Extraction/Medevac Through:			

13. Incident Frequencies	RX	Tone	TX	Tone	AM/FM/Digital	14. Position	Name	Phone
A/A (TFR)						AOBD		
A/A Rotor						ASGS		
A/A Briefing/Handoff						HEBM		
A/G Primary						HLCO		
A/G Secondary								
A/G Tactical						UAO		
DECK								
TOLC								

15. Equipment/Supplies

16. HELICOPTERS						
FAA #	TYPE	Make/Model	Helibase	Start	Avail.	Remarks

17. AERIAL SUPERVISION: AIR ATTACK/HELICOPTER COORDINATOR						
FAA #	Call Sign	Make/Model	Base	Start	Avail.	Remarks

18. UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS)							
Identifier	Cat./ Type	Make/ Model	Location	Start	Avail.	Leader/ Contact	Remarks

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN ICS-205				1. INCIDENT NAME Buck Basin			2. DATE/TIME PREPARED 07 /16/2026 1700		3. OPERATIONAL PERIOD DATE/TIME 07/17/2026 From:0600 to 2200	
4. BASIC RADIO CHANNEL UTILIZATION										
Ch #	Channel Name	Assignment	RX Frequency Narrowband (N) Wideband (W)		RX Tone/NAC	TX Frequency Narrowband (N) Wideband (W)		TX Tone/NAC	Mode Digital (D) Analog (A) Mixed (M)	Remarks
1	CURRANT CRK	ALL DIVS	172.4000	N	_____	164.8250	N	146.2	A	NUIFC REPEATER
2	TAC - 2	DIV A	168.0500	N	110.9	168.0500	N	110.9	A	_____
3	TAC - 3	DIV Z	168.2000	N	110.9	168.2000	N	110.9	A	_____
4	A/G PRI	ALL DIVS	166.2750	N		166.2750	N		A	_____
5	Unassigned	Unassigned	Unassigned	N		Unassigned	N		A	Unassigned
6	VMED 28	MEDEVAC	155.3400	N	156.7	155.3400	N	156.7	A	VMED 28 MEDEVAC
7	AIR GUARD	AIR GUARD	168.6250	N	_____	168.6250	N	110.9	A	AIR GUARD
8	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
9	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
10	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
11	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
12	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
13	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
14	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
15	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
16	_____	_____	_____	N	_____	_____	N	_____	A	_____
I-205 Prepared By		Cole Fessler, COMT(t)								

Medical Plan (ICS 206 WF)

Incident Name:				Operational Period:			
Buck Basin				7/17/26			
Ambulance Services							
Name	Address	Phone		Advanced Live Support			
				Yes	No		
Wasatch County Fire District	251 E 1200 S Heber City Ut	435-654-1707		☒	☐		
				☐	☐		
Air Ambulance Services							
Name		Phone		Type of Aircraft & Capability			
Life Flight		801-321-1234		ALS Lift/Hoist Capable			
AirMed		877-247-6331		All Types - ALS			
Hospitals							
Name Address	GPS Coordinates	Travel Time Air Grnd		Phone	Helipad Yes No		Level of Care
University of Utah 50 N. Medical Drive Salt Lake City, UT	40° 46.292'N	20min	1hr30min	(801) 581-2121	☒	☐	Level 1 Burn Center
	111° 50.203'W						
Heber Valley Hospital 454 East Medical Way Heber City, UT	40° 29.395'N	5min	1hr	(801) 387-2800	☒	☐	Level IV
	111° 24.359'W						
Timpanogos Regional 750 W. 800 N. Orem, UT	40° 18.812'N	15min	1hr30min	(801) 714-6000	☒	☐	Level IV
	111° 42.861'W						
Utah Valley Regional 1034 N. 500 West Provo, UT	40° 14.917'N	20min	1hr30min	(801) 357-7850	☒	☐	Level II
	111° 39.971'W						
Prepared by: Travis Wright SOFR(t)		Reviewed by: Brian Phillips SOFR			Date/Time 7/16/2026 19:32		

HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE

We have a dangerous job, pay attention!

INCIDENT: **BUCK BASIN FIRE**

DATE: **07-17-2026**

TIME: **0700-2200**

Major Hazards and Risks:

- **Terrain: Working in rough, steep terrain and with rolling material.**
- **Firing Operations and Burnout: Keep your Situational Awareness up for changes!**
- **Distracted driving: Don't be a distracted driver! Don't text and drive!**
- **Working around Hazard Trees: Heavy loading of snags and fire weakened trees.**
- **Helicopter transportation: Stay alert when loading and unloading helicopters.**
- **Aviation: Working under helicopters and air tankers dropping water.**
- **Moderate to extreme fire behavior: Possible thunder cells in area of the fire this week.**
- **Indirect line construction: Post lookouts, know your escape routes and safety zones.**
- **Working with and around heavy equipment: Dozers, road graders and chippers.**

Fire Order of the Day – Keep informed on fire weather conditions and forecasts

Narrative: With daytime thunderstorms this week on the upswing, expect an increase in fire behavior.

Notice the winds and the accompanying changes in fire behavior. Communicate observations up and down your chain of command. Seek shelter if possible, when thunderstorms and lightning occur.

ALERT: Lifting / Twisting Injuries

This year there have been a few reportable injuries involving back strains due to lifting heavy things, and 1 reportable ankle injury on this incident. Please take caution when walking/working in steep terrain and especially when lifting heavy objects. Always ask for help from a co-worker when lifting large heavy objects. Use proper form by bending with your knees and not your back!



Hydrate, Hydrate, Hydrate!!!

Drink water before, during and after shifts, up to 1.5 gallons per shift. Be alert for signs of dehydration and heat stress in yourself and others. Mix liquid intake at two or three waters to one sports drink such as Gatorade. Avoid energy drinks such as Red Bull, Monster, etc. These will actually dehydrate you. Sodas will also dehydrate you.



Incident Safety Officers: Brian Phillips SOFR, Travis Wright SOFR(t)

MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206 WF)
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Medical Incident Report

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Severity of Emergency / Transport Priority	☐ 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> ☐ 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> ☐ GREEN/PRIORITY 3 Minor Injury or illness. Non-Emergency transport <i>Ex: Sprains, strains, minor heat-related illness.</i>	
Nature of Injury or Illness & Mechanism of Injury		Brief Summary of Injury or Illness (<i>Ex: Unconscious, Struck by Falling Tree</i>)
Transport Request		Air Ambulance / Short Haul/Hoist Ground Ambulance / Other
Patient Location		Descriptive Location & Lat. / Long. (WGS84)
Incident Name		Geographic Name + "Medical" (<i>Ex: Trout Meadow Medical</i>)
On-Scene Incident Commander		Name of on-scene IC of Incident within an Incident (<i>Ex: TFLD Jones</i>)
Patient Care		Name of Care Provider (<i>Ex: EMT Smith</i>)

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

Patient Assessment: See IRPG Page 106

Treatment:

4. TRANSPORT PLAN:

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

Helispot / Extraction Site Size and Hazards:

5. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES / EQUIPMENT NEEDS:

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