

# 2017 Montrose Dispatch Year End Report

**Representing the following Cooperating Agencies**

**Bureau of Land Management**

**United States Forest Service**

**National Park Service**

**Colorado Department of Prevention and Control**

**Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, Saguache & San Miguel County**



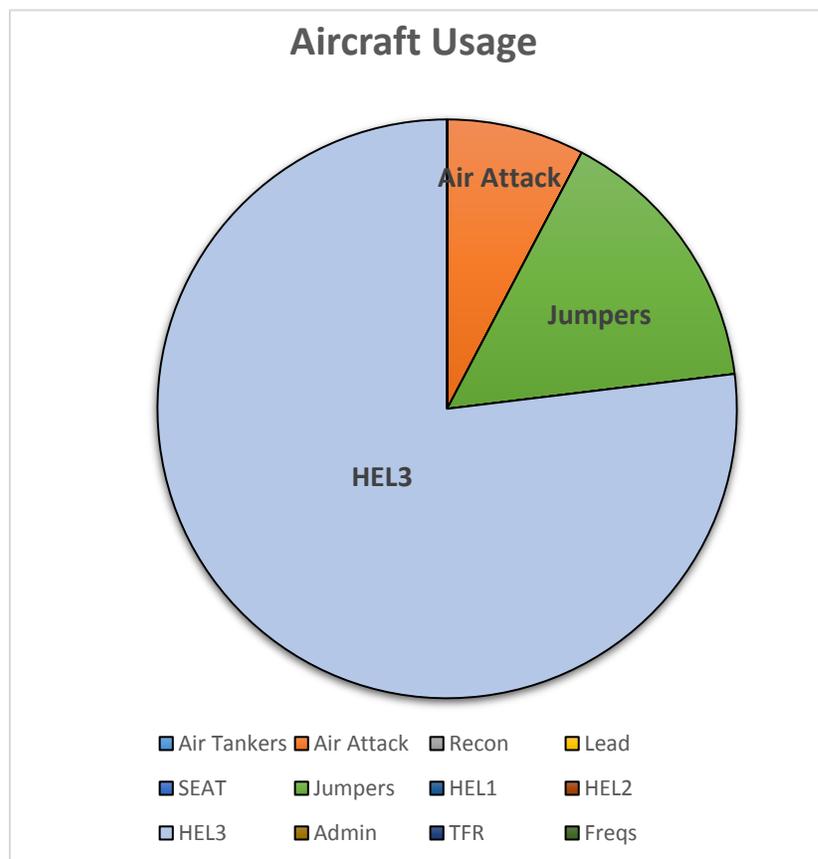
This year was once again a year of change in personnel. The Grand Mesa Uncompahgre National Forest hired a new Fire Management Officer Cordell Taylor. The National Park Service Fire Management Officer Andy Bundshuh retired in October leaving that position vacant. The Dispatch Center brought in an Acting assistant Center Manager, Kim Hinshaw to fill in for Jason Ferguson who was out on a Detail to North Carolina. The Forest Service IA position became vacant in March and was filled September 30<sup>th</sup>, with Carrie Powell. The assistant Center Manager Jason Ferguson took a new job in Texas and left in August. This position is currently vacant along with the BLM IA position.

The Center had an average fire season this year even as our indices spiked during the late June early July months. The Dispatch area did not go into any type of fire restrictions despite these higher indices. The Dispatch area was in a Planning level 4 but never stayed there for any given duration. The year 2017 was above average on precipitation with slightly above average precipitation (103%), and well above the 30-year average temperatures (2.5°F). Looking back on the year, most of the warm temperatures came in the winter months. June was the only exception when we were almost 4°F above normal. Otherwise the summer was only slightly warmer than average. The table below shows the annual departure from the 30-year average since 2010.

<b>October 31, 2017</b>	Temperature in °F	Percent of Average Annual Rainfall
<b>2017</b>	2.5	103.2
<b>2016</b>	0.3	98.3
<b>2015</b>	2.1	98.3
<b>2014</b>	-0.1	104
<b>2013</b>	-0.3	97.9
<b>2012</b>	1.9	76.1
<b>2011</b>	0.3	99.5
<b>2010</b>	-0.5	99

# MTC STATISTICS

<b>LOCAL AIRCRAFT ORDERS</b>		Air Tankers	0
<b>DFPC MMA</b>	<b>4</b>	Air Attack	1
<b>DFPC Type3 Helicopter</b>		Recon	0
<b>Fix wing recon</b>		Lead	0
		SEAT	0
		Jumpers	2
		HEL1	0
		HEL2	0
		HEL3	10
		Admin	0
		TFR	0
		Freqs	0



# MTC STATISTICS continued

RESOURCE ORDERS NON LOCAL INCIDENTS		
	ORDERS	INCIDENTS
OVERHEAD	260	110
EQUIPMENT	37	25
CREWS	9	9
AIRCRAFT	13	13
WILDLAND FIRE MODULE	4	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>161</b>

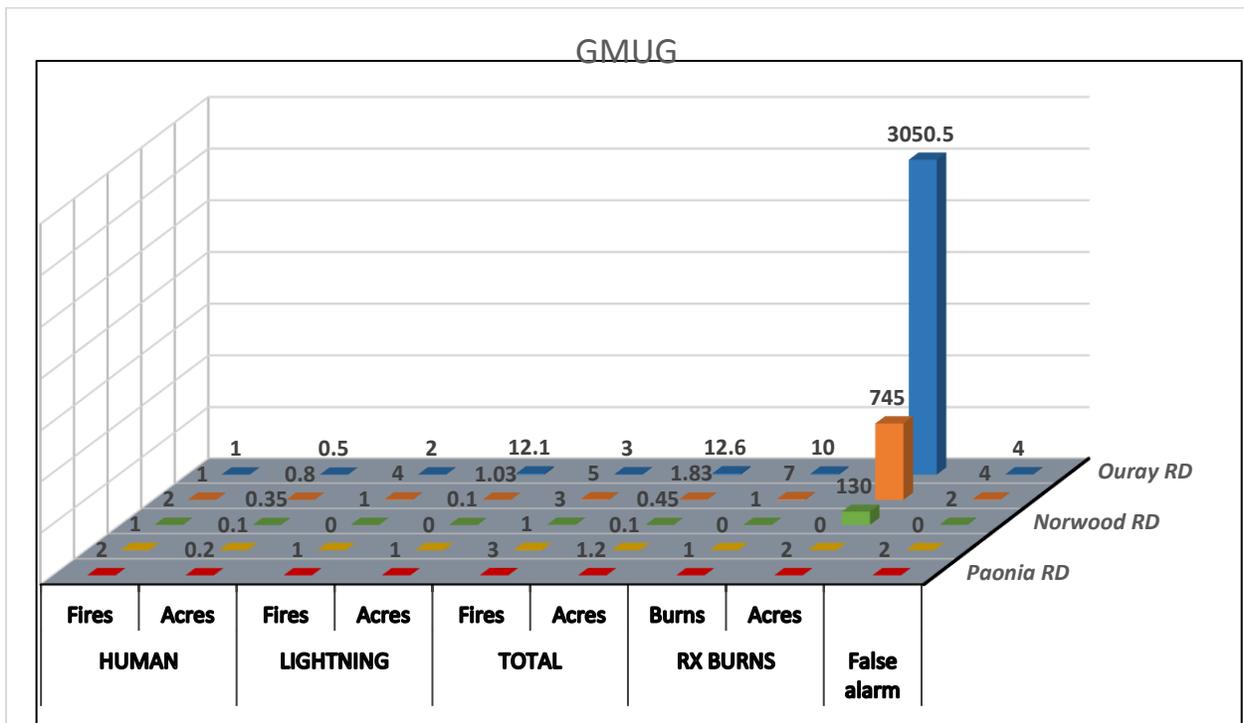
Crew Mobilizations	Assignments	Days
Gunnison River crew	5	28
Buzzard Creek	4	56
JCC Camp crew	4	48



# GMUG NATIONAL FOREST

Agency	HUMAN		LIGHTNING		TOTAL		RX BURNS		False Alarms
	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Burns	Acres	
Ouray RD	1	0.5	2	12.1	3	12.6	10	3050.5	4
Paonia RD	2	0.2	1	1	3	1.2	1	2	2
Gunnison RD	1	0.8	4	1.03	5	1.83	7	745	4
Norwood RD	2	0.35	1	0.1	3	0.45	1	130	2
Grand Valley	1	0.1	0	0	1	0.1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.95</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14.23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16.18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>3927.5</b>	<b>12</b>

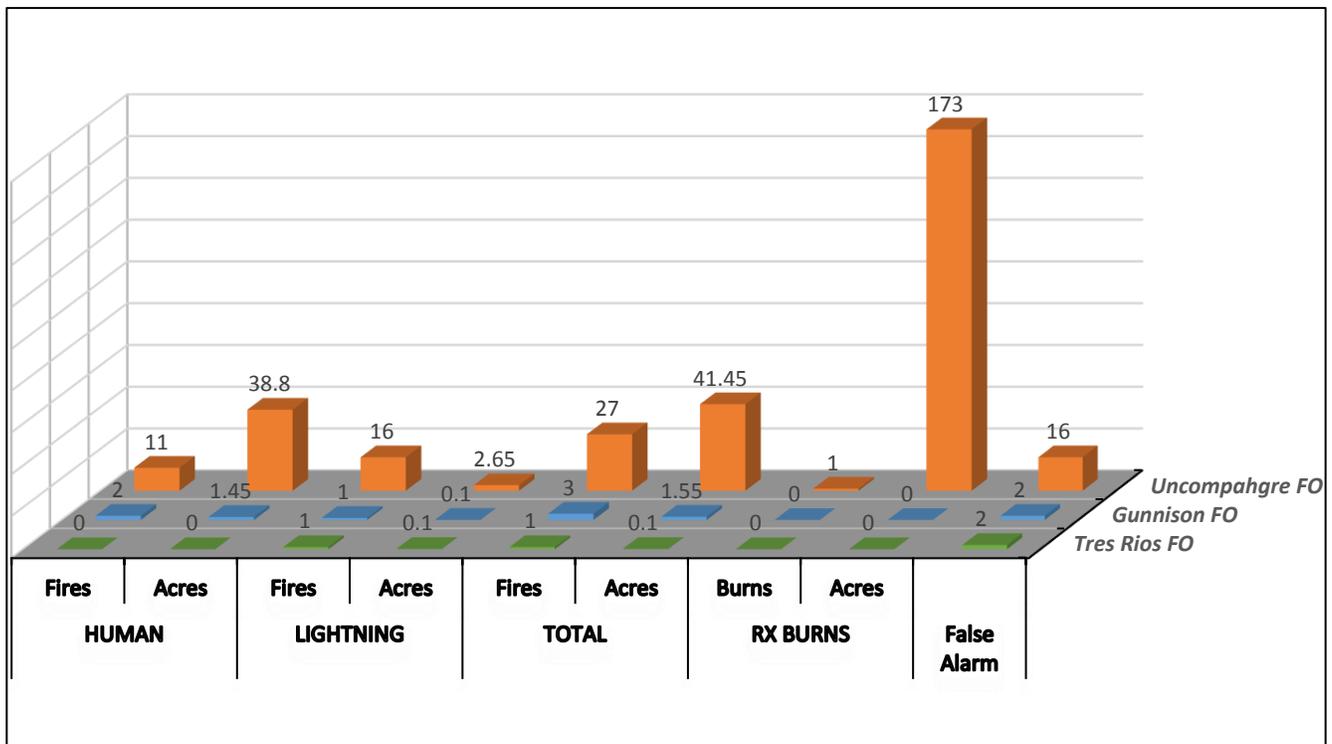
Grand Valley RD is split between MTC and GJC dispatch centers stats are only for MTC dispatch area



# SOUTHWEST DISTRICT BLM FAM

Agency	HUMAN		LIGHTNING		TOTAL		RX BURNS		False Alarm
	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Burns	Acres	
Gunnison FO	2	1.45	1	0.1	3	1.55	0	0	2
Uncompahgre FO	11	38.8	16	2.65	27	41.45	1	173	16
Tres Rios FO	0	0	1	0.1	1	0.1	0	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>40.25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2.85</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>43.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>20</b>

## BLM



# BLACK CANYON NATIONAL PARK AND CURECANTI NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

Agency	HUMAN		LIGHTNING		TOTAL		RX BURNS		False Alarm
	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Fires	Acres	Burns	Acres	
Black Canyon NPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Curecanti NPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## MONTROSE AREA COUNTIES

County Fires Federal response	Fires	Acres	False Alarm
Delta	2	0.2	2
Gunnison	1	38	
Montrose	6	9.8	4
San Miguel	2	0.2	
Ouray			
Hinsdale			
Saguache			

COUNTY FIRES reported by County	Fires	Acres
Delta	NR	
Gunnison	1	1
Montrose	31	43.7
San Miguel	1	0.1
Ouray	NR	
Hinsdale	NR	
Saguache	NR	



## MTC 5 YEAR AVERAGE

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Average	+/- AVG
# Fires	78	44	34	71	58	57	-1.4
# Acres	475.03	97.35	4.5	170.9	107.88	171.132	-69.70