DENVER 1-50 Hits 5-7pm FIRE

Peak Day 12/30/22

WATCHING THIS, WHO ARE NOT IMMEDIATELY AFFECTED SAYING, THERE BUT BY THE GRACE OF GOD GO I. THAT COULD HAVE BEEN MY NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE SEEN IT. IT WILL COLOR HAVE BEEN US. WE DON’T LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS. WE DON’T EXPECT THERE TO BE A RISK THAT A **wildfire**IS GOING TO CONSUME OUR HOME. BUT HERE WE ARE LOOKING AT JUST THE SUBORNS -- STARBUCKS AND HOMES. 600 PLUS HOUSES. THAT COULD BE A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE. >> BUT THAT’S WHAT LOOKING HERE HALF OF US IN THE METRO ARE IMMEDIATELY IMPACTED AND THE REST OF GOING, THAT COULD BE

DESTROYED SO FAR AND THE **fire**IS CONTINUING TO BURN. TO PUT THIS IN PERSPECTIVE, IT’S POSSIBLY THE MOST DEADLY WILD**fire**IN COLORADO HISTORY. LAST YEAR THERE WERE 469 STRUCTURES LOST, 224 HOMES. TROUBLE SOME FIRE, 350 STRUCTURES LOST. PINE GULCH, IT WAS THE SIZE OF THE FIRE. THIS FIRES IS 1600 ACRES ONLY SO FAR AND IT IS DEVASTATING ACROSS THE COMMUNITY OF SUPERIOR. WE HAVEN’T HEARD ANYTHING YET ABOUT STRUCTURES LOST IN THE CITY OF LEWISVILLE BUT WE KNOW THEY ARE UNDER A MANDATORY EVACUATION AS WELL. >> CITY OF BOULDER AS WELL. WE’VE NOT HEARD ANY PROBLEMS IN THE CITY OF BOULDER PROPER. YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW, THERE WERE TWO FIRES THAT STARTED THIS WHOLE THING. ONE TO THE NORTH OF BOULDER, MIDDLE FORK, THAT NOW IS REALLY A NON ISSUE. ONLY ONE WE’RE DEALING WITH IS SOUTH OF BOULDER, THE MARSHALL FIRE. I CAN’T GET OVER THESE IMAGES WE’RE SEEING RIGHT NOW.

>> I WANT TO GET IT TO ALAN WHO HAS BEEN FOLLOWING ALONG FOR SEVERAL HOURS. THE LAST TIME WE SAW YOU THREE AMBULANCES WERE RUNNING LIGHTS AND SIREN AS THEY SEEM TO BE HEADING NORTHEAST OUT OF THE **fire**ZONE. >> LET ME TELL YOU WHAT IS HAPPENING. ARE GOING TO PAN OFF TO ACTIVE FLAMES BEHIND US. THERE IS A VEHICLE PASSING BUT RIGHT THERE YOU CAN SEE HOMES GOING UP RIGHT NOW. THERE ARE EVEN SPOT FIRES BETWEEN HERE AND THERE. I SEE FURTHER GLOW IN THE DISTANCE BEYOND ABOUT. IT LOOKS TO US THAT THERE ARE MULTIPLE HOMES IN THAT AREA.

>> WE DON’T HAVE TORI MASON. SHE WAS IN A POSITION WHERE SHE MAY HAVE HAD TO MOVE. WE HAVE VIDEO OF SOME OF THE HUNDREDS OF HOMES THAT HAVE AND BURNED. DO WE HAVE TORI MASON? >> WE WILL GET BACK TO TORI. >> AS I WAS SAYING EARLIER THE WIND IS SO STRONG IT PUSHED THE **fire**ALL THE WAY ACROSS INDIANA. NONE OF THIS SIDE OF THE STREET WAS ON **fire**AT ALL. KNOW IT’S YOU YOU ARE ON SO YOU MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE FOLKS A BETTER IDEA WHERE THAT IS? TRAFFIC IS MOVING IN THE DIRECTION. PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO GET OUT OF HERE AND THE TIME IS LESSENING. WE ARE GETTING OUT OF HERE SOON AS WELL. >> TORI, THANK YOU.

MY PREFERENCE IS THIS TELEVISION STATION. I THINK WE’RE DOING A GOOD JOB. BUT ALSO DO MAKE USE OF OUR WEBSITE, thedenverchannel.com AND OUR DENVER 7 PLUS APP. I THINK YOU’LL FIND IT TERRIBLY USEFUL BECAUSE CONDITIONS ARE CHANGING SO, SO QUICKLY RIGHT NOW. ALSO THE BOULDER OEM.COM FOR THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INFORMATION OR IF YOU PREFER TO CALL THEM WITH YOUR QUESTIONS, DO NOT CALL 911, PLEASE. 303-413-7730 FOR ALL OF YOUR -- ANYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS FIRE. EVACUATION ROUTES, WHEN YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO GO HOME, HOW YOUR HOME IS DOING AND THE STATUS OF EVERYTHING THAT THEY’LL HAVE FOR YOU ON THAT TELEPHONE NUMBER. >> IF YOU’RE CURIOUS TO THE SCALE OF THE **fire**AND POSSIBLY WHY WE’VE BEEN CUTTING INTO YOUR PROGRAMMING FOR SO LONG, THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE HAS CONFIRMED THERE ARE AT LEAST 600 HOMES

THEY’RE SIGNIFICANTLY DELAYED AND ROUTE 228 SERVICE IS SUSPENDED. THE U.S. 36 MC CASLIN STATION IS CLOSED AND THAT’S THE AREA WHERE WE’VE BEEN SHOWING HOMES ON FIRE. WE ALSO KNOW THAT VISTA ADVENTIST HOSPITAL IN LEWISVILLE HAS BEEN EVACUATED FOR STAFF AND PATIENTS BECAUSE THE **fire**IS GETTING WAY TOO CLOSE AND ALSO SMOKE WAS COMING INTO THE BUILDING SO THEY WERE DEALING WITH THAT. AND AGAIN, IF YOU’RE IN BOULDER COUNTY ANYWHERE NEAR THESE AREAS, PLEASE KEEP UP TO DATE WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. REGISTER FOR THEIR ALERTS BECAUSE THINGS ARE CHANGING RAPIDLY AND AS MIKE JUST SAID, WE WERE EXPECTING WINDS TO DIE DOWN A LOT EARLIER BUT THE FIRE IS CREATING ITS OWN WEATHER SYSTEM AT THIS POINT AND ESSENTIALLY FUELLING ITSELF. >> SO FOR THE VERY LATEST INFORMATION, OF COURSE, LEAVE THE TV ON, OF COURSE.

WILL GO UP. >>> JEFF TODD HAS BEEN REPORTING FROM THE AREA AROUND 88 AND DYLAN ROAD. WE KNOW THE HOSPITAL HAS EVACUATED MANY PEOPLE A TERRIBLE WORKING SITUATION FOR THAT STAFF. >> FOR WHAT WE CAN SEE IT DIDN’T SEEM LIKE THE HOSPITAL SUSTAINED MUCH DAMAGE. CAN’T SAY THAT FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT IS NORTH OF THE HOSPITAL. TAKE A LOOK. WE HAVE SEEN THIS **fire**CONTINUE TO MARCH AND BURN HOME AFTER HOME. **fire**CREWS WORK HERE BUT HAVE SINCE LEFT. THE WIND IS SO STRONG, THE FLAMES ARE SO HOT BUT ONE THING THAT HAS STRUCK ME AS WE HAVE

ARE UNDER WIND AND STORM WARNINGS. UNFORTUNATELY THE SNOW DOESN’T COME IN UNTIL TOMORROW AFTERNOON AS A SHARP COLD FRONT DROPS IN FROM THE NORTHWEST. IT’S GOING TO BE OUR MOST SIGNIFICANT SNOWFALL WE’VE HAD ALL SEASON AND THE MOST SIGNIFICANT MOISTURE WE’VE HAD ALL OUT OF THE SKY SINCE LAST SUMMER, ABOUT THREE TO FIVE INCHES OF SNOW. THE WINDS WILL BEGIN TO EASE. I WISH THEY HAD ABOUT AN HOUR AGO BECAUSE OF THIS **fire**STORM, IT’S TAKING LONGER FOR THE ATMOSPHERE TO START TO SETTLE DOWN. THERE’S COLDER WEATHER ON THE WAY AND SOME SNOW COMING BUT THAT DOESN’T ARRIVE UNTIL TOMORROW AFTERNOON. CONDITIONS WILL GET BETTER BUT IT REMAINS EXTREMELY ACTIVE AND UNPREDICTABLE SITUATION RIGHT NOW DUE TO THE SIZE AND THE HEAT FROM THIS FIRE. >> THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION. NOT FOR THE CONTENT OF THE THAT’S BAD, BAD NEWS BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH. GLAD YOU’RE WITH US TONIGHT ON THIS TURNING OUT TO BE HISTORIC EVENING HERE IN COLORADO. A COUPLE OF UPDATES.

AREA THAT DOES SHOW SIGNS OF EASING BACKWARD BUT BECAUSE THIS **fire**IS SO BIG AND SO HOT NOW, IT’S PULLING IN AIR FROM ALL AROUND TO FEED IT. THE OXYGEN FROM THE FIRE. THAT’S WHY WE’RE CONTINUING TO SEE STRONG AND ERRATIC WINDS THAT MAY LAST LONGER THAN UNFORTUNATELY WE HAD HOPED. THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE ON RADAR. THAT IS NOT PRECIPITATION. THAT IS SMOKE AND IT IS VERY, VERY THICK RIGHT THROUGH THE NORTHERN PART OF THE DENVER AREA, SOUTHWESTERN BOULDER COUNTY ALONG BROOMFIELD AND EXTENDING OUT 75 MILES TO THE EAST OF US, OUT ACROSS THE FAR EASTERN PLAINS, OUT TO AKRON. THAT’S HOW FAR TO THE EAST THE SMOKE IS GOING AT THE PRESENT TIME. THERE’S NOT MUCH TO SEE ON RADAR AS FAR AS PRECIPITATION BUT THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF HOPE COMING OUR WAY. THIS WILL FILL IN SLOWLY BECAUSE THERE’S SO MANY ADVISORIES. WE HAVE EXTREME **fire**CONDITIONS RIGHT NOW BUT WE’RE ALSO UNDER A WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY IN THE SAME AREA WHILE THE MOUNTAINS

RIGHT OVER WHERE THE **fire**IS GOING WE HAVE A COLLISION OF STRONG WESTERLY WINDS COMING IN. JUST AFTER THE NOON HOUR WE HAD WINDS UP TO 70 MILE-PER-HOUR FROM BOULDER DOWN TO SUPERIOR. ABOUT 2:00 75 IN BOULDER. THIS AFTERNOON THE WINDS HAVE BEEN STEADILY CLOCKING DOWN. THE PURPLE SHADED AREA IS THE AREA WE COULD STILL SEE THE WIND GUSTS.

IS A CATEGORY TWO, EF2 TORNADO. WHAT WE’VE DEVELOPED IS REALLY A **fire**STORM. I’M LOOKING AT THIS AND THINKING ABOUT SEEING PICTURES FROM WORLD WAR II, SOME BOMBINGS THAT OCCURRED THERE. THIS **fire**HAS GOTTEN SO BIG, IT’S NOW CREATING ITS OWN WEATHER AND THAT’S PART OF THE REASON WHY WE’RE NOT SEEING THESE WINDS DIE DOWN. IN THIS TIME LAPSE, YOU CAN SEE THE SMOKE IS JUST ROLLING OFF THE FOOTHILLS. WHAT HAPPENS, RAEMEALLY, WAVES O STRONG WINDS COME IN. WHAT WE HOPED IS AFTER SUNSET, THIS WOULD ALL START TO CALM DOWN A LITTLE BIT. BUT THIS **fire**IS SO BIG AND SO HOT NOW, IT’S CREATING ITS OWN WEATHER FOR AT LEAST A COUPLE OF HOURS. GUSTS HAVE DROPPED A LITTLE. 46 NOW AT BOULDER BUT WE HOPED THEY WOULD DROP OFF BY AT LEAST HALF THAT AGAIN BY THIS TIME. THEY HAVEN’T YET BUT HERE IS A MAP OVER THE NEXT THREE HOURS OF THE WIND GUSTS, THE STRONGEST IN THE PURPLE AND RED SHOWING UP JUST TO THE WEST OF THE FIRE

MINUTES ONE THAT REALLY REALLY WEIGHS ON YOU. YOU KNOW, WE’VE BEEN SORT OF DRIVING AROUND CHECKING OUT THE AREA WORD TO GIVE YOU SOME CONTEXT. WE’RE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD JUST NORTH OF THE LEWISVILLE WRECK IN SENIOR CENTER. SO THERE’S A LOT OF HOMES UP IN THIS AREA. AND SO WE WE WERE DRIVING THROUGH HERE. I’M ACTUALLY TRYING TO GET TO A SAFER LOCATION. AND IT WAS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS WE LOOKED TO OUR LEFT SO HOMES ON **fire**THAT THERE WERE NO FIREFIGHTERS AROUND. NO EMERGENCY CREWS AROUND THAT JUST SPEAKS TO THE BREADTH OF THIS **fire**EMERGENCY HAPPENING UP IN THIS AREA. SO WE DECIDED WE DROVE DOWN THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE NO ONE WAS AND WE ACTUALLY KNOCKED ON THE DOOR OF ONE HOME THAT WE HAD JUST SEEN STARTING TO BE ENGULFED IN THOSE FLAMES JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT NO ONE WAS HOME. AND THANKFULLY NOBODY ANSWERED THE DOOR, WHICH IS A REALLY GOOD SIGN. THAT THOSE PEOPLE AND ALL OF THEIR NEIGHBORS HOPEFULLY GOT OUT. I MEAN, IT’S IT’S A GHOST TOWN

MY UNDERSTANDING IS THIS IS A DIFFERENT VANTAGE POINT OF THE FLAMES THAT YOU CAN SEE OFF IN THE DISTANCE. I THINK SLOAN IS JUST A LITTLE BIT CLOSER TO THAT SUBDIVISION AND AGAIN, DON’T LOSE SIGHT, THIS IS NOT JUST A CLUMP OF A **fire**OR **fire**EVENT. THOSE ARE A LOT OF INDIVIDUAL HOMES BURNING RIGHT THERE IN SUPERIOR AT THIS HOUR. >> WE HEARD FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AS WELL AS DIFFERENT MAYORS AND THEY SAY THAT **fire**RIGHT NOW IS ALL DEPENDENT AND FIGHTING IT IS ALL DEPENDENT ON THE WIND. LET’S GO TO OUR CHIEF METEOROLOGIST MIKE NELSON. WHAT CAN YOU GIVE US IN TERMS OF AN UPDATE IN THE WIND GUSTS? >> NOT A LOT OF GREAT NEWS. THIS IS SOME OF THE HISTORIC GUSTS WE’VE HAD SINCE NOON TODAY. 115 MILES PER HOUR IN ROCKY FLATS, REALLY ON THE WESTERN EDGE OF WHERE THE **fire**STARTED. WHITE RANCH OPEN SPACE, 103 MILES AN HOUR AND THEN YOU CAN SEE THE HURRICANE FORCE WINDS IN THE BOULDER AREA. KEEP IN MIND 115 MILES AN HOUR

EXPLODING IN SIZE. >> BURPING MORE THAN TWICE THE ACREAGE OF LAST YEAR’S RECORD **fire**SEASON. >> THEY BE -- >> CATASTROPHIC FLOODS RAVAGE MIDDLE TENNESSEE. >> KNOCKED OFF FOUNDATIONS. JUST FOLT GONE. >> HURRICANE IDA RIPPING THROUGH LOUISIANA. >> THE RAIN -- >> THE REMNANTS OF HURRICANE IDA HAMMERED THE NORTHEAST. >> NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. >> THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ISSUING A FLASH FLOOD EMERGENCY FOR NEW YORK CITY. >> IT WAS FRIGHTENING. >> MANY OF THE VICTIMS DYING IN FLOODED BASEMENTS. >> THE NATION’S DEADLIEST TORNADO OUTBREAK IN MORE THAN A DECADE. >> 88 PEOPLE LOST THEIR LIVES. >> WE LOST EVERYTHING. WE BASICALLY HAVE NOTHING. >> THE F.D.A. AUTHORIZING THE PFIZER VACCINE FOR 12 TO 15-YEAR-OLDS. >> THE DELTA VARIANT IS SPREADING AND THE HOSPITALIZATIONS ARE GOING UP. >> I’M PUTTING PEOPLE THAT ARE MY AGE AND MY PARENTS’ AGE IN BODY BAGS. >> I WILL NOT GET THAT VACCINE. >> AND A BUSY -- >> WE MUST STOP DENYING THAT THE

POSSIBLY THREATEN THIS AREA. NOW LET’S FAST FORWARD. THIS IS EXACTLY WHY. THEY’RE NEVER PREPARED FOR, NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD HAPPEN HERE. I SPOKE TO A RESIDENT WHO LIVED HERE FOR 30 YEARS AND HE SAID NOTHING HAS EVER COME THIS CLOSE. NO EVACUATIONS OF THIS MAGNITUDE, NO THREAT BY A FIRE STORM OF THIS MAGNITUDE AND REALLY, WE’RE WATCHING A HISTORICAL MOMENT HERE, ONE THAT EVERYBODY WISHES WE COULD AVOID. ABSOLUTELY HEARTBREAKING. I’VE BEEN TALKING TO SOME RESIDENTS AND HEARTBREAKING HAVING TO REPORT ON THIS, LOOKING AT THE IMAGES. I MEAN, COME ON. THIS IS UNBELIEVABLE. UNBELIEVABLE, GUYS. >> REALLY IS ABSOLUTELY GUT WRENCHING TO WATCH AND I’M SURE, YOU KNOW, NOT ONLY THE HOMEOWNERS BUT **fire**OFFICIALS PROBABLY FEEL SO HOPELESS KNOWING THERE’S NOT MUCH THEY CAN DO ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW.

RAPIDLY. RIGHT NOW I SEE THE GLOW OF **fire**BURNING PERHAPS A HALF- MILE TO THE NORTHWEST AT THE MOMENT. >> I WOULDN’T BE SURPRISED. WE KNOW THE HOSPITAL ADVENTIST HAS BEEN EVACUATING SOME PATIENTS. I KNOW THEY ARE TRYING TO GET THEM TO TO OTHER HOSPITALS. PERHAPS THOSE AMBULANCES NOT RESPONDING TO A NEW CALL BUT TRANSPORTING PATIENTS TO OTHER HOSPITALS OUT OF HARMS WAY. >> I THINK THE HOSPITALS IN THAT AREA TO THE SOUTH OF US AND TO THE WEST OF US ARE EVACUATED. THAT HOSPITAL TO THE WEST OF US IS ALL CLEAR. I BELIEVE THOSE ARE TWO HER WOULD BE BECAUSE THEY EVACUATED AT THE SAME TIME. I WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS PANDEMONIUM TRYING TO GET

SHOT. >> DEADLY SHOOTING RAMPAGE IN THE ATLANTA AREA. FREE DIFFERENT SPAS. EIGHT PEOPLE KILLED. >> A DEADLY RAMPAGE IN A GROCERY STORE IN BOULDER, COLORADO. LEAVING 10 PEOPLE DEAD. >> NINE PEOPLE WERE KILLED BY THE GUNMAN OPENED **fire**IN A TRANSIT YARD IN SAN JOSE. >> AND WHEN WE GO TO WORK WE WOULD COME HOME AND THAT DID NOT HAPPEN. >> DEADLY SCHOOL SHOOTING AT A HIGH SCHOOL IN OXFORD, MICHIGAN. A FOURTH STUDENT IS NOW -- HAS NOW DIED. >> THIS IS UNIMAGINABLE. >> YEAR-MAN LONG CALLS FOR JUSTICE FOR GEORGE FLOYD. DID NOT GO UNANSWERED. DEREK CHAUVIN, GUILTY, GUILTY, GUILTY. >> I SHOT HIM! OH, MY GOD! >> KIM POTTER FOUND GUILTY IN THE DEATH OF DAUNTE WRIGHT. >> THREE WHITE MEN FOUND GUILTY OF FELONY MEASUREDDER IN THE DEATH OF AHMAUD ARBERY. ALL NOW FACING LIFE IN PRISON. >> HE WILL NOW REST IN PEACE. >> WE THE JURY FIND THE DEFENDANT KYLE H. RITTENHOUSE NOT GUILTY. >> CLEARED OF ALL CHARGES IN THE SHOOTINGS OF THREE PEOPLE DURING A PROTEST LAST YEAR OVER THE POLICE SHOOTING OF JACOB BLAKE.

WOULD PRESUME POSSIBLY HUNDREDS OF MORE ONCE THAT SMOKE CLEARS. WE’VE BEEN MONITORING THE TRAFFIC HERE AS WELL BECAUSE THIS FIRE, YOU KNOW, HAS BEEN MOVING CLOSER TO US. REALLY THE STOP AND GO ABOUT AN HOUR AGO. IT’S GOTTEN A LITTLE BETTER NOW BUT EVERYBODY CAN’T HELP BUT TO PULL OVER ALONG THE 128 HERE WHERE WE ARE LOOKING AT THE ROCK CREEK COMMUNITY BECAUSE HOW COULD YOU NOT? IT’S ABSOLUTE DEVASTATION. IT’S THE KIND OF WRATH THAT I DON’T THINK I’VE EVER SEEN AND I’VE COVERED A LOT OF WILDFIRES COMING FROM CALIFORNIA. I’VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. AND YOU KNOW, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES WITH SOME OF THE OTHER FIRES WE’VE SEEN, THOSE FOLKS KNOW, HEY, WE CAN BE EVACUATED. THESE SUPERIOR RESIDENTS THAT WE’VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT, THEY HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IN THE WORLD IS GOING ON. THEY JUST KNOW THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT CAME TO THEIR HOME, PACK YOUR BAGS. THERE MAY BE A WILD**fire**THAT CAN

TO HOME LIKE THIS IT’S SOMETHING ELSE. ERIC, I’LL TELL YOU THAT IT’S VERY DIFFERENT THAN THAT FIRE, WHICH OF OCCURRED AND WAS ABSOLUTELY MASSIVE IN SIZE. BUT SUCH A DIFFERENT A GEOGRAPHIC WITH FAR FEWER HOMES, HOMES THAT ARE MORE SPREAD OUT EASIER TO DEFEND. AND THIS SITUATION HERE, IT JUST MOVED INTO THE SUBDIVISIONS AND IT’S NOT HARD FATHOM. WHY WYATT WHY IT CONTINUES TO GROW AND WHY FIREFIGHTERS HAVE HAVE HAD A DIFFICULT TIME GETTING GETTING AHEAD OF THIS **fire**BECAUSE WE’VE SEEN A JUMP FROM ONE HOUSE TO THE NEXT IN JUST A COUPLE OF MINUTES. HONESTLY, AND AND THIS SITE WE’RE LOOKING AT NOW, I CAN COUNT AT LEAST 8 HOMES IN THIS SUBDIVISION THAT ARE CURRENTLY ON FIRE. AND THAT’S NOT TO MENTION THE ONES THAT WERE BURNING ABOUT AN HOUR AGO. FURTHER NORTH WEST OF THIS **fire**SO, YEAH, A VERY DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHICAL SITUATION AND, YOU KNOW, LISTEN, I’VE I’VE TONS OF

THERE. JUST ABSOLUTELY DEVASTATING. 30 MINUTES AGO WE WERE TALKING ABOUT SOME EMBERS AND SOME OF THE SPOT FIRES WE WERE SEEING. NOW THERE ARE ENTIRE COMMUNITIES COMPLETELY ENGULFED BY THIS HELLISH INFERNO. WE SAW ONE HOME CATCH ON FIRE AND THEN A TREE CATCH ON FIRE AND THEN WITH THE RELENTLESS GUSTS, CONTINUOUS FOR HOURS, WE HAVE BASICALLY SEEN THIS ENTIRE COMMUNITY BECOME THE VICTIM OF THIS **fire**AND IT’S NOT STOPPING ANY TIME SOON. IF WE JUST PAN TO THE RIGHT, EVEN MORE HOMES OFF TO THE RIGHT EAST OF THE ROCK CREEK COMMUNITY ARE CATCHING ON **fire**AND ALL NIGHT LONG, WE HAVE RESIDENTS UP HERE ABSOLUTELY DEVASTATED, IN TEARS WONDERING WHETHER ONE OF THEIR HOMES HAS FALLEN VICTIM TO THIS INFERNO. THE GOVERNOR SAID HUNDREDS OF HOMES ABSOLUTELY DESTROYED AND I

BURNING WAY OUT THERE. WE ARE AT 96th AND DYLAN. SAW THE **fire**COME UP VERY CLOSE WHICH REALLY WAS CAUSING PROBLEMS WITH SPOT FIRES HERE AND EVERYWHERE. THEY DID BRING IN ADDITIONAL CREWS. DENVER **fire**SHOWED UP. A BUNCH OF **fire**ENGINES ROLLED IN. THAT WAS IN ADDITION TO THE WILDLAND FIRES. WITH THE WIND COMING AT YOU IT IS A SAFETY ISSUE. THEY WILL GET THE WATER. IN THIS AREA WE KNOW HOMES ARE LOST TO THE WEST OF US. PEOPLE COMING OUT OF THE AREA ARE TELLING STORIES OF DRIVING THROUGH AREAS. WE COULD BARELY SEE THE VEHICLE IN FRONT IF THERE WAS A VEHICLE A FEW FEET IN FRONT. THEY PASS BURNING HOMES. I TALKED TO PEOPLE WHO HELPED

RINGER THIS YEAR. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AT THE KING SOOPERS UP THE ROAD IN BOULDER AND THEY HAVE SEEN MORE THAN THEIR FAIR SHARE OF THE CERTAINLY NOT THE WAY THEY WANTED TO END 2021. I DON’T KNOW IF YOU CAN STILL HEAR I REMEMBER VERY CLEARLY AND VIVIDLY WHEN WE WERE COVERING THE WILDFIRES LAST YEAR IN 2020. YOU ARE OUT THERE LIVE FOR US COVERING SOME OF THOSE BUT EVER MEMBER, YOU KNOW, WE SHOWED ONE HOME OFF INTO THE DISTANCE. >> THAT WAS BURNING. THIS MUST FEEL ENTIRELY DIFFERENT FOR YOU FOR WHAT YOU ARE WATCHING UNFOLD RIGHT NOW FROM YOUR LIVE PICTURE. >> YEAH, IT’S A COMPLETELY SCENARIO THAT JUST NORTH OF GRANBY. I BELIEVE THAT WAS THE THAT THE EAST TROUBLESOME FIRE FLARED AND WE WATCHED AS THE FLAMES MOVED ACROSS THE HILL TOWARDS ONE HOME ON TOP OF A HILL. AND THAT WAS A HEARTBREAKING IN ITS OWN. RIGHT. AND NOW HERE WE ARE ON TOP OF ANOTHER HERE LATER. AND IT’S MOVING IN ON THOUSANDS OF HOMES TO WATCH IT GO FROM HOME

KNOW, METRO AREA THAT’S ON FIRE THIS EVENING THAT WE’RE REPORTING ON. AND, YOU KNOW, YOU JUST HOPE THAT MOTHER NATURE WILL GIVE THESE FIRST RESPONDERS A BREAK EVENTUALLY. >> THIS WILILILILILD**fire**SMALL I COMPARISON TO LAST YEAR BUT BECAUSE OF WHERE IT IS AT, BECAUSE IT IS THE AREA OF SUBURBIA, IT’S JUST IMPACTING SO MANY FAMILIES RIGHT NOW WHERE IT’S POTENTIALLY THOUSANDS. >> THERE’S HELP COMING TONIGHT. NATIONAL GUARD. RUSSELL, THANK YOU. TAKE A BREAK. HEAVEN KNOWS YOU DESERVE IT. WE’LL CHECK IN WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE EVENING. NICE WORK TO ALL THE CREWS TODAY. THERE IS HELP ARRIVING THIS EVENING. NATIONAL GUARD HAS BEEN ACTIVATED AND HAS BEEN DEPLOYED AND THEY’RE GOING TO COME FOR THE NIGHT SHIFT TO HELP WITH TRAFFIC, WITH ANYTHING EXTRA THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE THAT WILL TAKE IT OFF THE PLATE OF LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS. >> **fire**CREWS FROM AROUND THE STATE AS WELL HAVE BEEN JOINING IN THE EFFORT AS WELL AS LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FROM AROUND

THESE ARE MASSIVE HOMES THAT ARE NOT GOING TO BE HERE IN THE MORNING. >> OH MY GOSH! SO, SO SAD TO SEE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. STAY SAFE. WITH A THAT NOT JUST TO OUR CRUISE BUT EVERYBODY IN THE SITUATION TONIGHT. IF YOU DON’T HAVE TO BE IN THE **fire**STRICKEN AREAS GET OUT IF YOU HAVEN’T DONE THAT ALREADY. WE WANT TO SEND IT TO ALAN JINNI. ALLEN, YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE HOWLING WINDS. WHAT IS THE LATEST ON ALL OF THE SPOT GRASS FIRES? >> THEY HAVE BEEN POPPING UP AND POPPING UP. I WILL SHOW YOU WAY BEHIND US IN THE DISTANCE. YOU CAN SEE THE FIRES BURNING OFF IN THE DISTANCE RIGHT HERE. I HAVE FEEDBACK COMING BACK HERE. THAT IS THE GLOW OF FIRES

LOUISVILLE? TORI THERE IS SOMETHING ON FIRE BEHIND YOU THERE. >> THERE ARE QUITE A FEW THINGS ON **fire**BEHIND ME. I HAVE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. EVERY HOME I COULD SEE IN THE DISTANCE IS ON **fire**AND THE WINDS ARE SO STRONG. IT KEEPS PUSHING THE **fire**TO EACH AND EVERY HOME. THE SUN EVER HAD MAY GO UP IN FLAMES.

HAVE SEEN THIS **fire**OVER THE PAST 30, 40 MINUTES. JUMP FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE MOVING OFF FROM WEST TO EAST THROUGH THIS SUBDIVISION DIRECTLY BELOW US. WE ARE ON HIGHWAY ONE. 28 NEAR INDIANA, LOOKING NORTH. SO WE ARE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SUPERIOR. AGAIN, THE FIRE EARLIER MOVED ACROSS THE TOWARDS MCCASLIN. WE SAW GET CLOSE TO THESE HOMES. THEN FOR A MINUTE, IT LOOKS LIKE IT MIGHT MOVE THE OTHER WAY. BUT EVENTUALLY IT GOT INTO THIS SUBDIVISION. YEAH, ABSOLUTELY DIFFICULT TO WATCH, AS IT JUMPS FROM HOME TO HOME TO HOME MOVING WEST TO EAST. WE HAVE SEEN FIRST RESPONDERS FLYING THROUGH THIS SUBDIVISION ALL AFTERNOON TRYING TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF THERE. AND THEY REMAIN IN THERE RIGHT NOW. WE CAN SEE FLASHING LIGHTS VERY CLOSE TO A FEW OF THOSE HOMES THAT ARE ON **fire**RIGHT NOW. THEY APPEAR TO BE ON THE EASTERN EDGE OF THAT HOME ON **fire**RIGHT THERE. OBVIOUSLY TRYING TO GET ANYONE OUT TO MAYBE IS STILL IN THIS

WE ARE A FEW HUNDRED YARDS AWAY AND WE CAN DO A BIT OF THE HEAT. YOU CAN SEE AS WE LOOK INTO THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, MANY OF THESE HOMES COMPLETELY TAKEN DOWN FROM THE FOUNDATION. ONE THING THAT IS NEW THAT WE ARE SEEING IS A LOT OF THE SMOKE IS NOW CLEARING THE AREA. WE ARE LOOKING THROUGH THIS DRAINAGE AND WE ARE LOOKING ACROSS AT SOME HOMES IN LOUISVILLE. SHE MANY PEOPLE WINDOW THE UNIQUE INTERSECTION THERE ARE A LOT OF RESTAURANTS AND A MOVIE THEATER IN THE AREA AND WE CAN SEE BURNING IN THE AREA. AS MUCH AS THIS **fire**BURNED THROUGH THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR MUCH MANAGE WILL BE ASSESSED TOMORROW IN THE TOWN OF

WHO ARE WATCHING RIGHT NOW, WATCHING THEIR HOMES, YOU KNOW, BECOME VICTIMS OF THIS DEVASTATING AND CATASTROPHIC WILD**fire**THAT WE’VE SEEN HERE IN BOULDER COUNTY. IT’S JUST DEVASTATING AND IT CONTINUES HERE INTO THE EVENING HOURS SINCE WE’RE NOT GETTING, AT THE MOMENT, NO RELIEF FROM THE WIND. >> WHAT’S A WHOLE BALLGAME RIGHT NOW. THE SHERIFF SAID IT, GOVERNOR SAID IT, EVERYBODY SAID IT. WE’RE WAITING FOR THE WIND HERE. THERE’S NOT MUCH THEY CAN DO UNTIL THE WIND DIES DOWN. WHAT STRIKES ME, JESSICA AS WELL, IS THAT EARLY IN OUR COVERAGE, WE SAW A PHOTO OF A HOME ON FIRE. AND OUR BREATH WAS TAKEN AWAY BECAUSE THIS POOR FAMILY JUST LOST THEIR HOME. WE’RE SEEING HUNDREDS AS WE COME ROUTINE NOW THROUGHOUT THE EVEN TO GO SEE CLUSTERS OF HOMES AND NEIGHBORHOODS GO UP IN FLAMES. IT’S LIKE 600 OR SO KNOWN HOMES RIGHT NOW ARE GONE BETWEEN LATE THIS MORNING AND RIGHT NOW.

I HAVE BEEN OUT HERE SINCE ABOUT ONE A CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON IN THESE WINS ARE STILL AS STRONG AS I HAVE FELT ALL DAY. WE CAME TO THIS NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE WE THOUGHT THE HOSPITAL WAS IN SOME DANGER. THE GOOD NEWS IS IT SEEMS IF THE HOSPITAL HAS ANY DAMAGE IT WILL BE VERY MINIMAL. THIS NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE NORTH IS COMPLETELY DECIMATED. WE HAVE WATCHED HOMES BURNED DOWN TO THE FOUNDATION AND WE HAVE WATCHED THESE FLAMES CONTINUE TO MARCH TO THE EAST. THESE HOMES YOU ARE SEEING THAT ARE BURNING RIGHT NOW WERE NOT ON **fire**ABOUT 20-25 MINUTES AGO BUT **fire**CREWS HAVE LEFT THE SCENE KNOWING THEY CANNOT DO ANYTHING TO TRY TO SAVE THESE HOMES BECAUSE THE WIND IS TOO STRONG AND QUITE FRANKLY THE **fire**IS TOO HOT.

BLACK FOREST **fire**WAS ACTUALLY 511 HOMES THAT BURNED AND 11,000 ACRES. YOU GUYS JUST SAID THIS ONE IS AT 580 GOES TO THE DENSITY AND THE FLAMES THAT HAVE BEEN FANNED OUT THERE. NOW, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, GREG NIETO JUST SHOWED US YOU. IT’S STILL WINDY FOLKS, BUT WE ARE STARTING TO SEE ONE THING. THE STRONGEST WINDS ARE NOW AS WE EXPECTED, STARTING TO RETREAT UP THE HIGHER TERRAIN. SO WE’RE STILL FEELING IT HERE NEAR THE FIRE. THAT’S NOT SURPRISING. AND YOU CAN SEE THAT AS ITS FANNING THE FLAMES THERE WITH THOSE 4 HOMES THAT ARE BURNING. BUT HERE’S WHAT’S GOING TO HAPPEN. YOU CAN SEE THE WIND SPEEDS. THEY’RE STARTING TO RETREAT. SO THE STRONGEST WIND NOW THAT WILL BE ON SUNSET IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO MARCH UP THE FOOT HILLS. IT’S STILL GOING TO TAKE A WHILE BEFORE THE WIND KIND OF RELAX SAYS IT WILL NEVER GO CALM BECAUSE WE HAVE AN APPROACHING STORM SYSTEM. SO SPEEDS OVERNIGHT. I WAS LOOKING AT FUTURECAST. WATCH WHAT HAPPENS. YOU CAN SEE THE WIND SPEEDS OVERNIGHT NOW ARE AWAY FROM THE **fire**WOULD HAVE GONE UP. THE FOOTHILLS STILL WINDY ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN BY 11 O’CLOCK. TONIGHT. AND THEN THE WINDS TOMORROW,

FIRE. EARLIER WE DID SEE SOME FIRE CREWS TRYING TO GET OUT THAT **fire**WHEN IT STILL LOOKED LIKE A HOME. AS YOU CAN SEE THE WINDS ARE STILL MOVING. THAT CONTINUES TO MOVE DOWN EAST THAT WAY. AGAIN, WHEN WE WERE DRIVING DOWN THE AREA IT FELT LIKE A GHOST TOWN. THERE ARE NEIGHBORS WALKING BACK AND FORTH TRYING TO SCOPE OUT AND SEE WHAT IS MAYBE LEFT OF THEIR HOMES. I DID SPEAK WITH A MAN WHO HAD A HOME AT THE CORNER. WE HAVE BEEN HERE THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND IF YOU TAKE A LOOK OVER TO MY LEFT HAND SIDE THERE

OF FOR SURE. THE GOVERNOR TRIED TO PUT THIS FIRE. WHAT WE’RE DEALING WITH TONIGHT INTO PERSPECTIVE FOR US BECAUSE HE MENTION. >> THE WILDFIRES THAT WE DEALT WITH BACK IN 2020 WHERE THEY WERE MASSIVE WILDFIRES. WE’RE TALKING ABOUT 200 PLUS 20,000 PLUS ACRES. HOWEVER, IT WAS IN A MORE PART OF COLORADO. AND SO IN TERMS OF THE ACTUAL STRUCTURAL DAMAGE, IT WAS FAR LESS MINUSCULE COMPARED TO WHAT WE’RE SEEING UNFOLD RIGHT BEFORE OUR EYES LIFE TONIGHT. >> NO MATTER WHAT CAMERA WE TAKE LIVE, IT’S THE SAME VIEW. AND THAT IS HOMES BEING DESTROYED EVEN AS WE SPEAK. SOMEBODY POINTED OUT TO ME EARLIER, IT’S JUST HEARTBREAKING THAT IN SOME OF THE SHOTS YOU’VE BEEN SEEN CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN THE FOREGROUND. HOMES BURNING IN THE BACKGROUND. WHAT A MISERABLE TIME OF YEAR TO HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPEN AS WE SEE A BIG EXPLOSION OF FLAMES RIGHT HERE. THIS AGAIN, THE AREA ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SUPERIOR NOT FAR FROM MCCASLIN SOUTH OF US, 36 AND NOT FAR FROM THE BUSINESSES AND HOMES THAT WERE DESTROYED EARLIER IN THIS **fire**AGAIN CONFIRMED 500,

OF US. AGAIN, THOSE IMAGES JUST HAUNTING SO MANY HOMES ON FIRE. YOU HEARD THE BOULDER PROBABLY HUNDREDS OF HOMES LOST. AND AT THIS HOUR, I’M JUST GUESSING THAT WE’RE LOOKING AT LEAST A DOZEN HOMES, A MILE OR SO SOUTH OF US JUST GOING UP IN FLAMES TONIGHT AND ALL I CAN TO GET OUT OF THOSE FAMILIES THAT HAD TO EVACUATE AND THE UNBELIEVABLE LOSS THAT THEY MUST BE FEELING. AND THIS WIND JUST WILL NOT DIE DOWN. WE’VE BEEN THINKING. FOR HOURS THAT ONCE WE GET TO NIGHTFALL, THE WIND WILL DIE DOWN. IT HASN’T HAPPENED. AND THE WIND JUST KEEPS KICKING FROM WEST TO EAST. AND THE **fire**IS JUST UNRELENTING AS A RESULT, A REALLY DEPRESSING DAY AND NOW AN AWFUL LONG NIGHT FOR EVERYONE IN BOULDER COUNTY CHAIRMAN ERICA. >> YEAH, YOU KNOW, OF MAYOR AND THE GOVERNOR SHOULD SAY POLIS SAID THERE’S NO WAY TO QUANTIFY THE PRICE OF THIS LOSS. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THE FAMILY HEIRLOOMS AND THE MENTORS THAT HAVE GONE UP IN FLAMES YEAH. AND YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THAT AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF HEARTBREAK TONIGHT IN THOSE COLORADO COMMUNITIES

THIS MORNING. IT STARTED ABOUT 10:30 AND THAT MAY HAVE STARTED BOTH FIRES IN THE AREA. NOW, THE MIDDLE FORK FIRE, THE FIRST **fire**THAT STARTED ABOUT 10:30 THIS MORNING, THAT’S THE ONE NORTH OF BOULDER, AND THEY SAID THAT ONE HAS BEEN CONTAINED AND NO LONGER REALLY AN ISSUE BUT IT IS THE **fire**THAT IS BURNING SOUTH OF BOULDER, THAT IS THE MARSHAL **fire**THAT’S ABOUT 1600 ACRES NOW AND THIS IS THE ONE THAT’S BEEN BURNING OUT OF CONTROL. THE MAYOR AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF SAID THERE ARE SOME AREAS THAT PRIOR FIGHTERS ARE SIMPLY NOT ABLE TO GET TO. SUBDIVISIONS AND NEIGHBORHOODS THEY’RE NOT ABLE TO GET TO RIGHT NOW AND THEY KNOW THERE ARE HOMES BURNING. THEY’RE FIGHTING THE **fire**THAT’S BEEN DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF HIGH WINDS. THEY CAN’T HAVE ANY AIR SUPPORT RIGHT NOW. THERE’S NO TANKERS TO DROP WATER ON THE AREAS AND TRY TO GET THIS UNDER CONTROL SO THEY’RE TRYING TO FIGHT IT HEAD ON AND THEY QUITE FRANKLY CANNOT DO SO. THEY SAID FIGHTING THE **fire**IS

OR **fire**RELATED INJURIES AT THIS POINT, THE BOULDER SHERIFF, THEY’RE VERY CAREFUL TO SAY THAT HE WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF THERE ARE INJURIES AND THERE ARE ONCE WE HAVE A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT’S HAPPENING HERE AFTER THIS EVENT IS OVER, SAID THAT THAT THAT IS TOUGH TO HEAR HIM SAY. ALSO TOUGH TO HEAR IT. THEY WON’T GET REAL GOOD BEAD ON BETTER CONDITIONS, PERHAPS UNTIL TOMORROW WHEN THAT MOISTURE FINALLY COMES IN. SO WE COULD BE A LONG NIGHT HERE IN BOULDER COUNTY FOR SURE. OUR ROB LOWE, ONE OF OUR TEAM OF REPORTERS LIVE UP THERE RIGHT NOW. ROB, WHAT’S HAPPENING WHERE YOU ARE? >> JEREMY, I’M STANDING JUST OUT OF FRAME NEXT. A PHOTOJOURNALIST MIKE ROBERTS AND THE PICTURES KIND OF SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES AS REALLY ONE OF THE SIDE OF SITES HAVE EVER SEEN. AS YOU SAW POLICE CAR DRIVE DOZENS OF HOMES CURRENTLY BURNING JUST SOUTH OF BOULDER JUST WEST OF CHERRYVILLE ROAD. SO WE ARE IN BOULDER JUST ABOUT A QUARTER MILE WEST OF THE BOULDER VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH THAT WE HAD TO EVACUATE ABOUT 20 MINUTES AGO AND TO THE SOUTH

NEWS, AN ENTIRE SUBDIVISION DESTROYED THE SAGAMORE SUBDIVISION 300, 70 HOMES WIPED OUT ON THE WEST SIDE OF TOWN. ANOTHER 210 DESTROYED IN OLD TOWN SUPERIOR. THE TARGET STORE COMPLEX ON FIRE. THE ELEMENT HOTEL, THE ONLY HOTEL IN THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR DESTROYED AND THIS OMINOUS SIGN. I’M GOING TO SIGN AS WE LOOK LIVE THE NIGHT SKY, A GLOW FROM HOMES BURNING STILL AT THIS HOUR. YOU KNOW, I BELIEVE IT WAS ONE OF THE MAYOR’S THERE WHO SPOKE THAT SAID. >> THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ARE IN NEED AND IN CRISIS TONIGHT SAYING THIS HAS BEEN AN ABSOLUTELY HORRIFIC EVENT AS WE SEE AS THESE HOMES IN THIS SUBDIVISION, IN SUPERIOR UP IN FLAMES RIGHT NOW. SOME OF THE NUMBERS THAT WE GOT FROM OFFICIALS HERE THAT **fire**IS ABOUT 1600 ACRES. AND ANOTHER IMPORTANT POINT THAT I WANT TO GET TO REALLY QUICKLY AS OF RIGHT NOW, THERE IS ONE REPORT OF AN OFFICER WHO WAS HURT FROM FLYING DEBRIS AND THERE ARE NO **fire**RELATED CASUALTIES

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 SITUATION NEAR  BOULDER, COLORADO  WHERE FIRES ARE  FORCING FAMILIES TO  EVACUATE.  >> WE SAW SMOKE IN  THAT DIRECTION.  >> Reporter: FLAMES  REACHING THEIR  DOORSTEPS.  PEOPLE DESPERATELY  TRYING TO GET TO  SAFETY.  >> WE’RE EVACUATING,  TRYING TO GET DOWN TO  BOULDER, DENVER, MAYBE  THE MOUNTAINS.  JUST TRY TO FIGURE OUT  SOMETHING.  GOD HELP US.  >> Reporter: ON FOOT  OR BY CAR, ENTIRE  COMMUNITIES ON THE  MOVE TO ESCAPE FROM  THE FAST-MOVING  FLAMES.  >> JUST TRAFFIC.  SO MUCH TRAFFIC.  THAT LITTLE TOWN IS  JUST ALL TRYING TO GET  OUT.  >> Reporter: ONE  HOSPITAL ALREADY  TREATING AT LEAST SIX  BURN VICTIMS.  >> THEY ARE ACTIVELY  RUNNING FROM FIRE  BEHIND THEM.  >> Reporter: PLUMES OF  THICK SMOKE DARKENING  THE SKY.  >> THE FIRE’S CROSSING  RIGHT AT THE GOLF  COURSE AND TRAFFIC IS  BACKED UP IN IT.  >> Reporter: A  POSSIBLE CAUSE DOWNED  POWER LINES, ACCORDING  TO LOCAL OFFICIALS AS  WHIPPING WINDS PLAGUE  THE AREA, STRONG  ENOUGH TO TOPPLE  TRACTOR TRAILERS.  ALL AIRCRAFTS HERE  GROUNDED.  SOME GUSTS MORE THAN  110 MILES AN HOUR,

THE EVENING ENDING OVERNIGHT. SEVERAL COMMUNITIES WERE EVACUATED BECAUSE OF FLOODING LIKE THIS, AND THE RISK OF MUDSLIDES, MAJOR. >> Garrett: JONATHAN VIGLIOTTI, THANK YOU. NEXT TO CBS’S LONNIE QUINN WITH THE FORECAST. LONNIE, GOOD EVENING. >> Reporter: GOOD EVENING TO YOU, MAJOR. TOUGHEST WEATHER ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY IN COLORADO TODAY. THES WIND GUST 115 MILES PER HOUR. CURRENTLY THE WINDS ARE GUSTING AROUND 60 MILES AN HOUR, DOWN TO TE 50s, 40 MILES PER HOUR THROUGH THE OVERNIGHT HOURS. STILL IT’S REALLY HARD TO FIGHT ANY **fire**BURNING OUT THERE AND NO HELP FROM MOTHER NATURE. MORE WIND AND RAIN. WHERE THE RAIN IS FALLING FROM GEORGIA TO SOUTH CAROLINA, SEVERE THUNDERSTORM THREAT FOR THAT AREA TILL 9:00 P.M. NEW YEAR’S EVE, I’M GOING TO FOCUS FROM NASHVILLE TO MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS. NEW YEAR’S EVE, THAT’S WHERE YOU HAVE A RISK FOR SEVERE WEATHER. INTO NEARS DAY, SNOWFALL ANYWHERE FROM KANSAS CITY THROUGH PORTIONS OF THE

WHIT? >> UNTIL THEN, STILL SO MUCH CONCERN. WILL, THANK YOU. >>> LET’S GET RIGHT TO ABC’S SENIOR METEOROLOGIST ROB MARCIANO, AND ROB, YOU’RE TRACKING THOSE DANGEROUS FIRE CONDITIONS IN COLORADO. WHEN ARE THE WINDS EXPECTED TO FINALLY LET UP? > Reporter: WE EXPECT THE STRONGEST WINDS, WHIT, TO RETREAT INTO THE FOOTHILLS OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF HOURS, BUT THIS HAS TURNED OUT TO BE A HISTORIC WHAT WE CALL A MOUNTAIN WAVE EVENT AND IT’S GOING TO FLIP THE SWITCH TO SNOW AS WILL MENTIONED. WE HAVE ADVISORIES THAT ARE UP IN THE COLORADO AREA AND NOW WINTER STORM WATCHES THAT ARE POSTED FOR KANSAS CITY AND CHICAGO, AS THIS LOW THAT WAS IN CALIFORNIA EMERGES INTO THE PLAINS. IT WILL BRING A SEVERE WEATHER THREAT AGAIN TO THE MID SOUTH TOMORROW. BUT ICING CONDITIONS IN KANSAS CITY BY SATURDAY MORNING. LINCOLN WILL SEE SOME ZMOESNOW. THAT PRESSES INTO CHICAGO AND DETROIT BY SATURDAY. THEY HAVED THE TORNADOES TWO WEE AGO. AND THE EXPANDED SEVERE WEATHER THREAT WHERE TORNADOES WILL BE POSSIBLE IN BIG CITIES LIKE SHREVEPORT, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA AND NASHVILLE. THIS IS A HISTORIC HOLIDAY HIGH IMPACT EVENT.

 COVID TESTS YESTERDAY.  FROM WISCONSIN TO  MIAMI WHERE LINES  STRETCH LITERALLY FOR  MILES.  TODAY FLORIDA ALSO  BREAKING ITS ALL-TIME  RECORD FOR DAILY  POSITIVE CASES.  >> WHAT WE HAVE SEEN  IS AN OVERWHELMING  SPIKE IN DEMAND FOR  KESS.  >> Reporter: RON GONEIS  THE MANAGER HERE.  >> Reporter: THE BIDEN  ADMINISTRATION UNDER  **fire**FOR NOT BEING  PREPARED ON TESTING,  PROMISING FREE AT HOME  KITS TO ALL AMERICANS  STARTING AT THE  BEGINNING OF JANUARY,  BUT NOW SAYING THEY  WON’T SIGN A CONTRACT  WITH THE TEST  MANUFACTURER UNTIL  LATE NEXT WEEK.  MEANWHILE, THE CDC  SAYS FEWER  HOSPITALIZATIONS SAYS  OMICRON IS PRESENTING  AS A MILDER DISEASE.  BUT THE SHEER SCALE OF  INFECTION, FORCING 48  STATES TO CALL UPON  THE NATIONAL GUARD,  INCLUDING WISCONSIN  AND GEORGIA.  WATCHING THOSE BOOTS  ON THE GROUND ROLL IN.  >> WE ARE GOING TO SEE  THE NUMBER OF CASES IN  THIS COUNTRY RISE SO

>> I HAVE A PARTY NEAR THE ELEMENT HOTEL THAT’S GOING TO BE TRYING TO EVACUATE ON FOOT TOWARDS YOU. THEY ARE ACTIVELY RUNNING FROM **fire**BEHIND THEM. >> Reporter: ACROSS THE AREA, AT LEAST SIX PEOPLE TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL. THE FLAMES AND SMOKE KNOCKING OUT POWER AND FORCING SEVERAL MAJOR HIGHWAYS TO SHUT DOWN. MILLIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY FACING DANGEROUS WEATHER CONDITIONS. IN CALIFORNIA, A SLOW MOVING STORM DUMPING TORRENTIAL RAIN. FLOODWATERS INUNDATING THIS COMPGROUND IN MALIBU BEFORE DAWN. >> EVERYONE OKAY? >> Reporter: FIRST RESPOND EARNS RACING TO RESCUE FAMILIES AND THEIR PETS. SOME 50 PEOPLE IN ALL BROUGHT TO SAFETY. IN THE SOUTH, A TREE CRASHING DOWN ONTO THE PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, BRINGING UTILITY LINES WITH IT, SHUTTING DOWN THE ROADWAY. WHILE IT’S RAINING HERE IN CALIFORNIA, IT’S BEEN A RECORD-SETTING DRY SEASON IN COLORADO. ADD IN THOSE WINDS, UP TO 100 MILES PER HOUR, AND YOU’RE LOOKING AT PERFECT WILDFIRE CONDITIONS. IT IS SUPPOSED TO START SNOWING IN THE MORNING IN COLORADO, BUT AT THAT POINT, THE DAMAGE WILL HAVE BEEN DONE.

COUNTRY A CRITICAL STAFFING SHORTAGE. WITH FINAL PREPS UNDERWAY FOR THE NEW YEAR’S EVE BALL DROP IN TIMES SQUARE, COVID CASES KEEP RISING TO RECORD HIGHS. TO FIGHT THE SURGE, INCOMING NEW YORK CITY MAYOR ERIC ADAMS SAID IT WILL KEEP IN PLACE A FIRST IN COUNTRY VACCINE MANDATE FOR PRIVATE SECTOR WORKERS. >> OUR FOCUS IS VACCINE AND TESTING, VACCINE AND TESTING, VACCINE AND TESTING. >> Reporter: CITY SERVICES ARE FEELING THE STRAIN. SEVERAL SUBWAY LINES SUSPENDED OPERATIONS BECAUSE OF STAFFING SHORTAGES. THE **fire**DEPARTMENT SAYS 30% OF ITS E.M.S. PERSONNEL IS OUT SICK AND 21% OF NYPD OFFICERS ARE OUT, TOO. THE CINCINNATI, THE MAYOR DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY AFTER MORE THAN TWO DOZEN FIREFIGHTERS CAME DOWN WITH COVID WITH THOSE REMAINING FOCED TO WORK OVERTIME. >> NOBODY CAN RECALL A TIME IN RECENT HISTORY WITHIN THE LAST ALMOST 50 YEARS WHERE FIRING FIGHTERS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO STAY BEYOND THEIR NORMAL HOURS. >> Reporter: NATIONWIDE, COVID CASES ARE RISING SO FAST IT’S

**fire**COMES AS A HISTORIC HEAT WAVE AND DROUGHT STRIKES THE WEST AND SCIENTIST SAY SCHIE MET CHANGE IS MAKE THE WEATHER MORE EXTREME. WE’LL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE WILD FIRES FOR YOU AND BRING YOU THE LATEST TONIGHT ON THE NIGHT TEAM AT 10:00. >> Lynn: NOW AT 6:30, THE FLORIDA WITH ANOTHER SHOCKING SURGE OF COVID CASES THAT HAS A MASK MANDATE RETURNING TO SOME SCHOOLS. MASKS WILL BE MANDATORY FOR ALL ADULTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACILITY. >> Lynn: A CONTINUED RUSH TO GET TEST AND TESTING KIDS KITS. >> I’M GOING GET TWO FOR ME AND MY MOTHER. >> Lynn: AS SOUTH FLORIDA DEALS WITH THIS RECORD SHATTERING RISE. >> THE SUNSHINE STATE REPORTING THE LARGEST NUMBER OF CASES YET AT MOSH THAN 58,000 IN A SINGLE DAY. >> Joe: SCHOOLS SCRAMBLING TO MAKE MASK CHANGES BEFORE STUDENTS AND STAFF RETURN TO CLASSES ON MONDAY. 7’S TJ PARKER REPORTS. >>> CONCERNED FOR THE OMICRON VARIANT HAS SOUTH FLORIDA SCHOOL

SEARCH FOR A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY. THE PRIME SUSPECT IN A TRIPLE MURDER IN TEXAS. THE TEENAGER CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. >>> AND AMERICA STRONG TONIGHT. A GRADUATION STORY TO REMEMBER. >>> GOOD EVENING. THANKS FOR JOINING US ON A BUSY THURSDAY NIGHT. I’M WHIT JOHNSON, IN FOR DAVID. AND WE BEGIN TONIGHT WITH THAT BREAKING NEWS. LIFE-THREATENING FIRES BREAKING OUT IN BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO, AT THIS HOUR. THE GOVERNOR DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY JUST A SHORT TIME AGO. RESIDENTS FORCED TO EVACUATE WITH ALMOST NO NOTICE. THE IMAGES JUST COMING IN. DRIVERS BLINDED BY THICK SMOKE BLOWING ACROSS THE ROADS. POWERFUL WINDS DOWNING POWER LINES, IGNITING FAST-MOVING GRASS FIRES. HOMES AND STRUCTURES GOING UP IN FLAMES. THE **fire**SPREADING IN JUST A MATTER OF HOURS. REPORTS OF BURN VICTIMS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. CUSTOMERS IN STORES SUDDENLY TOLD TO HELD FOR THE EXITS.

>> Announcer: THIS IS 7 NEWS AT 6:30. >>> >> Lynn: GOOD EVENING EVERYONE. 7 NEWS AT 6:00 BEGINS AT 6:30 RATHER BEGINS WITH A DEVELOPING STORY OUT WEST. >> Joe: WE’RE TALK ABOUT AN IN NOAR LEADING TO ENTIRE TOWNS EVACUATED BY COLORADO NIGHT. LET’S GET TO THE PICTURES. FLAMES BURNING AS SMOKE FILLS THE SKY. A LIVE LOOK FOR YOU RIGHT NOW. IT’S JUST ONE OF MANY, THE ONE YOU’RE LOOKING AT AND GET THIS FANNING THESE FLAMES HURRICANE FORCE WINDS. IN FACT ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE WE’RE TALKING ABOUT SPEEDS OF MORE THAN 100 MILES PER HOUR. PEOPLE LIVING NEAR DENVER HAVE BEEN FORCED OUT BY THE **fire**AND THE SMOKE. SOME HAVING TO LITERALLY MAKE A RUN FOR IT. >> THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE WHICH HAS ABOUT 21,000 PEOPLE LIVING THERE ARE ALSO UNDER EVACUATION ORDERS. 13,000 PEOPLE LIVING IN THE NEARBY TOWN OF SUPERIOR ALSO TOLD TO LEAVE.

>>> TONIGHT, BREAKING NEWS AS WE COME ON THE AIR. LIFE-THREATENING WILDFIRES SWEEPING THROUGH PARTS OF COLORADO. LATE TODAY, THE GOVERNOR DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY. REPORTS OF MULTIPLE INJURIES, BURN VICTIMS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITALS. HIGH WINDS FUELING THE FLAMES. TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN THE DENVER SUBURBS TOLD TO GET OUT RIGHT NOW. EVACUATIONS UNDER WAY THROUGHOUT BOULDER COUNTY. POWERFUL GUSTS DOWNING POWER LINES. TRANSFORMERS EXPLODING. STORE CUSTOMERS RUSHING FOR THE EXITS. THE AREA EXPECTING SNOW TOMORROW, BUT IT MAY NOT COME SOON ENOUGH. ROB MARCIANO STANDING BY WITH THE **fire**CONDITIONS AND SEVERE WEATHER THREATS AHEAD OF THE NEW YEAR. >>> ALSO TONIGHT, THE HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS OMICRON VARIANT SURGING ACROSS AMERICA. THE NATIONAL CASE AVERAGE

MIAMI 83. FORT LAUDERDALE 84. WHAT IS TYPICAL FOR A HIGH IS 76 TO 77. AND NO RAIN TODAY ACROSS THE AREA. 78 IN FORT LAUDERDALE AT THE MOMENT. THE SAME IN POMPANO BEACH. WEST KENDALL AND KEY WEST. 77 IN MIAMI AND PEMBROKE PINES. THE PRESSURE FALLING, THE WIND OUT OF THE SOUTHEAST AND THE HUMIDITY AT 82%. HERE’S THE STORM TRACKING RADAR. DRY ACROSS THE BAHAMAS. THIS AFTERNOON HOWEVER WE’RE ACTUALLY DETECTING ONE DOWNPOUR SITTING RIGHT ACROSS EASTERN COLLIER COUNTY. THAT IS GOING TO BE MOVING TOWARDS THE WEST OVER THE NEXT 30 TO 45 MINUTES. THE BIG VIEW HERE ACROSS THE U.S., THAT **fire**ACROSS COLORADO HOPEFULLY BY TOMORROW, THEY MAY GEET GET SNOW MOVING IN AND KIND OF HELP TO PUT IT OUT BUT THE ACTIVITY AS FAR AS RAIN IS AND THUNDERSTORMS THIS WEEKEND. WE’RE LOOKING AT A FRONT MOVING IN WITH AN AREA OF LOW PRESSURE, PLENTY OF RAIN AND THUNDERSTORMS FROM LOUISIANA WILL AT WAY THROUGH THE APPALACHIANS FOR US.

>> >> Joe: WE CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS DEVELOPING STORY NEAR DENVER COLORADO. ABOUT 30 MINUTES OUTSIDE DENVER COLORADO. A WILD **fire**REALLY GROWING IN SIZE THERE. HIGH WINDS UP TO 105 MILES PER HOUR REALLY FUELING THOSE FLAMES. YOU SEE THE SMOKE BILLOWING INTO THE SKY THERE AS FIREFIGHTERS REALLY TRY TO GET THAT UNDER CONTROL. BUT IT STILL RAGES ON AT THIS HOUR. A LIVE LOOK FOUR RIGHT NOW IEWFT COLORADO. >> Lynn: MORE ON THE EVACUATIONS AND WHAT THEY ARE GOING THROUGH COMING UP. ALSO POLICE RUSHING TO RESCUE A MAN AT A FLORIDA ZOO WHO HAD AN ILLEGAL ENCOUNTER WITH A TIGER. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ANIMAL LEAVING SOME PEOPLE OUTRAGED. >> Joe: A NIGHTMARE FOR ONE TOWN RIGHT BEFORE THE NEW YEAR. WHAT CAUSED DESTRUCTION LIKE THIS AHEAD AT 6:30. >> Lynn: AND AN APARTMENT BUILDING WITH SOMEONE TRAPPED INSIDE AND A CHILD WHO NOTICED THE DANGER IS BEING CALLED A HERO. >> Joe: AND THEY GET MANY CALLS BUT THESE WERE THE MOST COMMON PROBLEMS "HELP ME HOWARD" AND PATRICK FRASER DEALT WITH

WARNING THAT THEY COULD NOT ONLY SEE STRONG THUNDERSTORMS IS A POTENTIAL FOR HAIL IS THERE AND MAYBE EVEN AN ISOLATED TORNADO. BUT THE BIG STORY THIS HOUR IS ACROSS COLORADO WHERE WE HAVE A HUGE **fire**HERE RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO EVACUATE. RIGHT NOW 69 MILES PER HOUR WINDS. 105 MILES PER HOUR GUSTS REPORTED A LITTLE WHILE AGO BUT THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE OUT THERE. THIS IS THE VIDEO COMING IN OF THE STRONG GUSTY WINDS FUELING THE FLAMES. NOW, TWO TOWNS HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO EVACUATE. THE THEY ARE ABOUT 4 MILES PART FROM EACH OTHER. WE’RE LOOKING AT LOUISVILLE WITH 21,000 RESIDENTS AND SUPERIOR WITH ABOUT 13,000. NOW, THIS **fire**HAS BEEN DUBBED THE MARSHALL FIRE. AND THIS IS GOING TO BE A HUGE THREAT TONIGHT AND THROUGHOUT THE DAY TOMORROW AS THOSE GUSTY WINDS ARE NOT LETTING UP. >> MEANWHILE CLOSE TO HOME. WE HAVE A HUGE DOME OF HIGH PRESSURE THAT IS GOING TO BLOCK ALL THAT MESS FROM MOVING HERE.

STATE DOESN’T PROSECUTE OTHER MEN. >> Reporter: PRINCE ANDREWS ATTORNEYS ARE EXPECTED TO ARGUE FOR A DISMISS SAL OF THIS LAWSUIT NEXT WEEK. >> Joe: COMING UP HERE ON 7 NEWS AT 5:30, A SICK TRICK. >> TURNING INTO A SCARE EVER THE SNOW. >> Lynn: A CORE RECOGNIZE GOWS CHILD HAILED A HERO FOR RUNNING INTO. THAT AT DRIVER BURN BLOAG HIS OIN CAR TO KITS. WHO DID THAT. >> TIKTOK. >> Phil: ALL RIGHT. LET’S TAKE A LOOK AT COLORADO. WE HAVE A HUGE **fire**TAKING PLACE. LOUISVILLE WITH 21,000 RESIDENTS HAS BEEN ORDERED TO EVACUATE. AND THE SAME IN SUPERIOR WITH 13,000 RESIDENTS. THEY ARE TOLD TO GET OUT OF THE WAY AS THIS BLAZE IS BEING FED BY HURRICANE FORCE WINDS. WE’LL HAVE THE VERY LATEST COMING UP IN WEATHER. >>> >>

>> Lynn: ALL RIGHT. BEFORE WE GO I WANT TO TAKE A LIVE LOOK AT A RAGING WILD FIRE THIS IS A LIVE PICTURE OUT OF COLORADO. TWO COMMUNITIES NEAR DENVER WERE ORDERED TO EVACUATE TODAY. THE WIND IS FUEL THIS WILD FIRE. IT IS REALLY INTENSE. YOU CAN SEE THE SMOKE SMOKEY ORANGE SKIES THERE. THE **fire**BREAKING OUT IN COLORADO. A LOT OF PEOPLE HAD TO EVACUATE. >> Joe: WE’LL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THAT STORY FOUR THROUGHOUT THE SHOW AND BRING YOU THE LATEST AS WE GET IT.

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THE EVENING ENDING OVERNIGHT. SEVERAL COMMUNITIES WERE EVACUATED BECAUSE OF FLOODING LIKE THIS, AND THE RISK OF MUDSLIDES, MAJOR. >> Garrett: JONATHAN VIGLIOTTI, THANK YOU. NEXT TO CBS’S LONNIE QUINN WITH THE FORECAST. LONNIE, GOOD EVENING. >> Reporter: GOOD EVENING TO YOU, MAJOR. TOUGHEST WEATHER ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY IN COLORADO TODAY. THES WIND GUST 115 MILES PER HOUR. CURRENTLY THE WINDS ARE GUSTING AROUND 60 MILES AN HOUR, DOWN TO TE 50s, 40 MILES PER HOUR THROUGH THE OVERNIGHT HOURS. STILL IT’S REALLY HARD TO FIGHT ANY **fire** BURNING OUT THERE AND NO HELP FROM MOTHER NATURE. MORE WIND AND RAIN. WHERE THE RAIN IS FALLING FROM GEORGIA TO SOUTH CAROLINA, SEVERE THUNDERSTORM THREAT FOR THAT AREA TILL 9:00 P.M. NEW YEAR’S EVE, I’M GOING TO FOCUS FROM NASHVILLE TO MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS. NEW YEAR’S EVE, THAT’S WHERE YOU HAVE A RISK FOR SEVERE WEATHER. INTO NEARS DAY, SNOWFALL ANYWHERE FROM KANSAS CITY THROUGH PORTIONS OF THE GREAT LAKES, DETROIT IS COLD AS

 >> Reporter: TONIGHT A  LIFE THREATENING  SITUATION NEAR  BOULDER, COLORADO  WHERE **fire**S ARE  FORCING FAMILIES TO  EVACUATE.  >> WE SAW SMOKE IN  THAT DIRECTION.  >> Reporter: FLAMES  REACHING THEIR  DOORSTEPS.  PEOPLE DESPERATELY  TRYING TO GET TO  SAFETY.  >> WE’RE EVACUATING,  TRYING TO GET DOWN TO  BOULDER, DENVER, MAYBE  THE MOUNTAINS.  JUST TRY TO FIGURE OUT  SOMETHING.  GOD HELP US.  >> Reporter: ON FOOT  OR BY CAR, ENTIRE  COMMUNITIES ON THE  MOVE TO ESCAPE FROM  THE FAST-MOVING  FLAMES.  >> JUST TRAFFIC.  SO MUCH TRAFFIC.  THAT LITTLE TOWN IS  JUST ALL TRYING TO GET  OUT.  >> Reporter: ONE  HOSPITAL ALREADY  TREATING AT LEAST SIX  BURN VICTIMS.  >> THEY ARE ACTIVELY  RUNNING FROM **fire**  BEHIND THEM.  >> Reporter: PLUMES OF  THICK SMOKE DARKENING  THE SKY.  >> THE **fire**’S CROSSING  RIGHT AT THE GOLF  COURSE AND TRAFFIC IS  BACKED UP IN IT.  >> Reporter: A  POSSIBLE CAUSE DOWNED  POWER LINES, ACCORDING  TO LOCAL OFFICIALS AS  WHIPPING WINDS PLAGUE  THE AREA, STRONG  ENOUGH TO TOPPLE  TRACTOR TRAILERS.  ALL AIRCRAFTS HERE  GROUNDED.  SOME GUSTS MORE THAN

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TRYING TO EVACUATE ON FOOT TOWARDS YOU. THEY ARE ACTIVELY RUNNING FROM **fire** BEHIND THEM. >> Reporter: ACROSS THE AREA, AT LEAST SIX PEOPLE TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL. THE FLAMES AND SMOKE KNOCKING OUT POWER AND FORCING SEVERAL MAJOR HIGHWAYS TO SHUT DOWN. MILLIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY FACING DANGEROUS WEATHER CONDITIONS. IN CALIFORNIA, A SLOW MOVING STORM DUMPING TORRENTIAL RAIN. FLOODWATERS INUNDATING THIS COMPGROUND IN MALIBU BEFORE DAWN. >> EVERYONE OKAY? >> Reporter: FIRST RESPOND EARNS RACING TO RESCUE FAMILIES AND THEIR PETS. SOME 50 PEOPLE IN ALL BROUGHT TO SAFETY. IN THE SOUTH, A TREE CRASHING DOWN ONTO THE PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, BRINGING UTILITY LINES WITH IT, SHUTTING DOWN THE ROADWAY. WHILE IT’S RAINING HERE IN CALIFORNIA, IT’S BEEN A RECORD-SETTING DRY SEASON IN COLORADO. ADD IN THOSE WINDS, UP TO 100 MILES PER HOUR, AND YOU’RE LOOKING AT PERFECT WILD**fire** CONDITIONS. IT IS SUPPOSED TO START SNOWING IN THE MORNING IN COLORADO, BUT AT THAT POINT, THE DAMAGE WILL HAVE BEEN DONE. WHIT? >> UNTIL THEN, STILL SO MUCH CONCERN. WILL, THANK YOU.

MURDER IN TEXAS. THE TEENAGER CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. >>> AND AMERICA STRONG TONIGHT. A GRADUATION STORY TO REMEMBER. >>> GOOD EVENING. THANKS FOR JOINING US ON A BUSY THURSDAY NIGHT. I’M WHIT JOHNSON, IN FOR DAVID. AND WE BEGIN TONIGHT WITH THAT BREAKING NEWS. LIFE-THREATENING **fire**S BREAKING OUT IN BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO, AT THIS HOUR. THE GOVERNOR DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY JUST A SHORT TIME AGO. RESIDENTS FORCED TO EVACUATE WITH ALMOST NO NOTICE. THE IMAGES JUST COMING IN. DRIVERS BLINDED BY THICK SMOKE BLOWING ACROSS THE ROADS. POWERFUL WINDS DOWNING POWER LINES, IGNITING FAST-MOVING GRASS **fire**S. HOMES AND STRUCTURES GOING UP IN FLAMES. THE **fire** SPREADING IN JUST A MATTER OF HOURS. REPORTS OF BURN VICTIMS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. CUSTOMERS IN STORES SUDDENLY TOLD TO HELD FOR THE EXITS. YOU SEE THERE. SMOKE FILLINGING THE AIR OUTSIDE.

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>>> TONIGHT, BREAKING NEWS AS WE COME ON THE AIR. LIFE-THREATENING WILD**fire**S SWEEPING THROUGH PARTS OF COLORADO. LATE TODAY, THE GOVERNOR DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY. REPORTS OF MULTIPLE INJURIES, BURN VICTIMS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITALS. HIGH WINDS FUELING THE FLAMES. TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN THE DENVER SUBURBS TOLD TO GET OUT RIGHT NOW. EVACUATIONS UNDER WAY THROUGHOUT BOULDER COUNTY. POWERFUL GUSTS DOWNING POWER LINES. TRANSFORMERS EXPLODING. STORE CUSTOMERS RUSHING FOR THE EXITS. THE AREA EXPECTING SNOW TOMORROW, BUT IT MAY NOT COME SOON ENOUGH. ROB MARCIANO STANDING BY WITH THE **fire** CONDITIONS AND SEVERE WEATHER THREATS AHEAD OF THE NEW YEAR. >>> ALSO TONIGHT, THE HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS OMICRON VARIANT SURGING ACROSS AMERICA. THE NATIONAL CASE AVERAGE CLIMBING TO AN ALL-TIME HIGH.

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U.S. many of these travel troubles will likely continue into the new Year 3 in an alley, ABC News, New York. >> Brandon, thank you. Well, time now for the Mount in in this snapshot of the stories making headlines across the region in Boulder County, Colorado. Look at these images. Crews are responding to what they’re calling a life-threatening situation. Several small grass **fire** spreading fast burning hundreds of homes and forcing 2 entire towns to evacuate. Authorities say the **fire** sparked from downed power lines. And tonight strong winds are fueling the flames. In Montana. 2 snowmobilers were killed in an avalanche near Cooke City. Authorities say the time of the slide, 4 people were on the to were able to escape. But the other 2 were buried. The avalanche broke 5 feet deep in roughly 300 feet wide. And finally in California, South Lake Tahoe saying a record breaking amount of snow. Take a look at this time lapse video showing the heaviest snow blanketing one backyard just this month alone. Lake Tahoe

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500, 80 HOMES AND BUSINESSES DESTROYED. IT IS UNREAL TO EVEN THINK OF YEAH. THIS IS AN AREA SOUTH OF BOULDER. IT’S NORTH OF DENVER. THE **fire** SPREAD SO QUICKLY THERE. 1600 ACRES JUST WITHIN HOURS. >> WE’RE HEARING A HOTEL AND A TARGET HAS BOTH BURNED AND EVACUATIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT AT A HOSPITAL IN THE AREA. AND 6 PEOPLE ALREADY IN THE HOSPITAL. BUT THE COUNTY SHERIFF, THEY’RE SAYING IT IS LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE SEVERE INJURIES AND THAT THERE WILL PEOPLE WILL BE PEOPLE WHO WERE NOT ABLE TO SURVIVE THIS. >> WE KNOW SO MANY OF YOU HAVE FRIENDS AND FAMILY HERE. SO WE ARE STAYING ON THIS STORY COMMITTED TO KEEPING YOU UPDATED THROUGHOUT THE EVENING.

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REPORTING LIVE FROM DOWNTOWN FLAGSTAFF. LUZDELIA ABC, 15, ARIZONA THANKS. NEW YEAR’S CELEBRATIONS CANCELED BUT STILL PLENTY OF OTHER WINTER FUN TO BE HAD CALLED SNOW PLAY HOTLINE. >> THE BEST SPOTS FOR SLEDDING PLAYING IN THE SNOW AND SO MUCH MORE. THAT NUMBER FOR 4 TO 5, 6, SNOW. >> NOW TO THE BREAKING NEWS OUT OF COLORADO. THE NATIONAL GUARD BEING DEPLOYED TONIGHT TO BATTLE THOSE DANGEROUS **fire**S IN COLORADO. THIS ISN’T REAL BECAUSE THIS THIS IS A LIVE LOOK. THIS IS GOING ON RIGHT NOW. THE **fire**S OUTSIDE BOULDER, THREATENING THE TOWNS OF LEWISVILLE AND SUPERIOR. THE SHERIFF THERE SAYS ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE BURNING HUNDREDS OF HOMES AND BUSINESSES. AS WE’VE REPORTED TO YOU THIS EVENING, ALREADY DESTROYED. NOW ON TOP OF ALL THAT THE POWER IS OUT BECAUSE THE **fire**S TOOK OUT ALL THE PIE OR POWER LINES THERE. WE KNOW ONE **fire** HAS GROWN TO 1600 ACRES IN A MATTER OF HOURS. AGAIN, THESE ARE LIVE PICTURES. THOSE ARE PEOPLE’S HOMES.

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INJURED. THE SHERIFF DID NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF MORE INJURIES OR EVEN DEATHS. LOTS WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE STRUCTURES, BOTH HOMES AND BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN BURNED AND LOST. HUNDREDS OF STRUCTURES. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU OUR **fire** PERSONNEL ARE WORKING AS HARD AS THEY CAN TO SAVE ADDITIONAL STRUCTURES AS WE SPEAK. AMA: MORE THAN 1600 ACRES HAVE BURNED, FORCING THE EVACUATION OF 35,000 PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITIES OF SUPERIOR AND LOUISVILLE. BROOMFIELD IS UNDER PRE-EVACUATION ORDERS. LET‘S TAKE A LIVE LOOK FROM BOULDER COUNTY WHERE YOU CAN SEE THIS **fire** RAVAGING WHAT USED TO BE AT HOME. GOSH, BARELY ANYTHING LEFT AT A THIS POINT. SO SAD TO SEE. GOOD EVENING. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US. DAN: THOSE IMAGES ARE SOMETHING WE‘VE SEEN MANY TIMES IN COLORADO. WE MOVE FROM WILD**fire**S TO WINTER STORMS. WE ARE DEALING WITH COMPLETELY

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NEED THIS TIME. IT’S OUTSIDE GAMBLING GROUPS AND THEY’LL DO ANYTHING TO WIN. DON’T SIGN THESE PETITIONS. >> WE MAY BE OLDER BUT WERE YOUNG ENOUGH TO GET IT. >> BREAKING NEWS IS JUST ONE TOUCH AWAY. DOWNLOAD THE FREE ABC ACTION NEWS APP. >> PAUL LAGRONE: HAPPENING RIGHT NOW, DEVELOPING SITUATION. WE’RE WATCHING MULTIPLE **fire**S TONIGHT BURNING IN BOULDER, COLORADO. THIS IS TAPE PLAYBACK FROM JUST A FEW MOMENTS AGO. THIS **fire** CAUSING EVACUATIONS IN THAT AREA. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SAYING THAT IF YOU SEE **fire** AND BACKED AWAY, GO EAST, GO NORTH. BUT WE’VE NOW. SO THE SITUATION OBVIOUSLY URGENT. WE COULD SEE THE FLAMES CLOSE TO JUMPING THE HIGHWAY. THERE HASN’T DONE SO YET, BUT THAT COULD HAPPEN AT ANY MOMENT. HIGH WINDS DRIVING THIS THING. 110 MILES PER HOUR. A SIMILAR **fire** CALLED THE CALWOOD **fire** DESTROYED PARTS OF THAT AREA IN 2020. AND WE ARE TOLD MULTIPLE STRUCTURES ARE ON **fire** BOULDER, COLORADO. TONIGHT. IT’S A STORY. WE’LL STAY ON TOP OF IT. TESLA HAS RECALLED 475,000 VEHICLES DUE

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NORTHWEST. IT WAS SPORADIC WEATHER PATTERNS CONNECTED TO CLIMATE CHANGE THAT CREATED A ONCE IN A MILLENIA HEAT WAVE RESULTING IN SOME OF THE HIGHEST TEMPERATURES EVER RECORDED IN THE REGION. TEMPERATURES IN PORTLAND, SEATTLE AND PARTS OF CANADA SOARING WELL ABOVE 100 DEGREES ADLIBS 228 PEOPLE DYING IN WASHINGTON STATE AND OREGON ALONE. >> ELECTRICITY WENT OFF AND SO IT’S QUICKLY GETTING WARMER AND WARMER KICKING OFF AN UNPRECEDENTED SUMMER OF HEAT. TWENTY TWENTY ONE WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS THE HOTTEST SUMMER ON RECORD FOR THE UNITED STATES. MEGA **fire**S IN THE WEST BURNING FOR MONTHS. THE BOOTLEG **fire** IN OREGON BECOMING THE STATE’S BIGGEST THIS YEAR BURNING MORE THAN 400 430000. THE DIXIE FARM BECOMING THE SECOND LARGEST TO EVER SCORCHED PARTS OF CALIFORNIA. >> I DIDN’T KNOW WHERE I WAS, WHOSE HOUSE IS WHAT AND IT WAS A WASTELAND. WE’RE JUST GRATEFUL TO BE ALIVE . >> WE’VE GOT EACH OTHER THE 20

BE EVACUATED BECAUSE THERE ARE SEVERAL GRASS **fire**S BURNING OUT THERE. THIS IS HAPPENING JUST NORTH OF DENVER ABOUT A HALF HOUR OUT OF DENVER. YOU CAN SEE THE SMOKE FROM THE **fire**S BLOWING IN THE WIND. >> A HOSPITAL IN THE AREA NOW WORKING TO EVACUATE THE PATIENTS THERE AND THIS **fire** WRAPPING UP A YEAR OF EXTREME CATASTROPHIC WEATHER EVENTS. SCIENTISTS SAY CLIMATE CHANGE CONTRIBUTES TO THE WORSENING CONDITIONS THIS YEAR ALSO BROUGHT HISTORIC LEVELS OF FUNDING FOR CLIMATE RELATED PROJECTS AROUND THE NATION. NBC’S AL ROKER WALKS US THROUGH THE SEVERE WEATHER AND CLIMATE POLICY EFFORTS OF TWENTY TWENTY ONE, 2021. ANOTHER BLISTERING YEAR OF CLIMATE AND WEATHER EXTREMES FROM WILD**fire**S AND DROUGHT TO CATASTROPHIC FLOODING HURRICANES ALMOST NO STATE ESCAPING UNSCATHED THIS YEAR SEEM TO PICK UP WHERE 2012 LEFT OFF WITH ONE MAJOR EXCEPTION. FOUR YEARS AFTER WITHDRAWING FROM THE PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT, NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN BRINGING THE U.S. BACK INTO THE FOLD.

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LIVING WITH A RISK FACTOR THEY MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT. I AM JOSIE STERMAN FOR SPOTLIGHT ON AMERICA. >> THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT INFORMATION. YOU CAN BATCH MORE OF HER IN- DEPTH REPORTING ON WJLA.COM. LOOK UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT ON AMERICA SECTION. CARL? >>> WELL, ALISON, A BREAKING UPDATE ON NEWS WE BROUGHT YOU A FEW MINUTES AGO. A WILD**fire** IS FORCING EVACUATIONS IN COLORADO RIGHT NOW. WE JUST GOT THIS NEW VIDEO IN FROM THE CITY OF SUPERIOR. YOU CAN SEE HOW HARD IT IS TO SEE ANYTHING ON THAT ROAD THERE. DRIVING THROUGH THAT DENSE SMOKE, VACCINATIONS ARE UNDER WAY THERE AND THE NEARBY CITY OF LOUISVILLE, COLORADO. HIGH WINDS ARE FANNING THE FLAMES AND CAUSING THE **fire** TO SPREAD OUT QUICKLY. ALISON, WHEN YOU FIRST BROUGHT US THIS, YOU SAW THE THICK PLUME OF SMOKE OUT THERE. IT IS GETTING EVEN WORSE AND GETTING CLOSER TO KEEPING IT THERE. >> YEAH. SO SCARY. LIKE YOU SAID, FROM AFAR IT WAS SUCH A DIFFERENT SCENE. TO SEE UP CLOSE WHAT THE PEOPLE ARE DEALING WITH, BILL, IT IS

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BUT JEFF SAYS TOO LITTLE TOO LATE. >>> POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR A MAN WHO ROBBED A POSTAL WORKER WHO WAS DELIVERING MAIL IN THE BRONX. THE ROBBER APPROACHED THE 43- YEAR-OLD WORKER ON MONDAY, THREATENED TO SHOOT THE POSTAL WORKER, THEN TOOK SOME OF THE MAIL. THAT POSTAL WORKER SUFFERED NO SERIOUS INJURIES. >>> A CAR CRASHED INTO A GAS PUMP AND CAUSED QUITE A **fire** AS YOU CAN SEE. THE DRIVER LOST CONTROL WHILE TRAVELING DOWN THE ROAD .2 CARS WERE DESTROYED, THE ONE THAT CRASHED AND ANOTHER THAT WAS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE PUMP THERE WERE NO INJURIES THANKS TO OTHER CUSTOMERS WHO RACED OUT AND HELPED. >>> A CALIFORNIA COMPANY MAY HAVE COME UP WITH A SOLUTION TO THE SHORTAGE AND TRUCK DRIVERS. IT IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF TECHNOLOGY REPLACING A HUMAN. A BIG RIG COMPANY COMPLETED ITS FIRST ROAD TEST OF A DRIVERLESS TRUCK.

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EXPLODING IN SIZE. >> BURPING MORE THAN TWICE THE ACREAGE OF LAST YEAR’S RECORD **fire** SEASON. >> THEY BE -- >> CATASTROPHIC FLOODS RAVAGE MIDDLE TENNESSEE. >> KNOCKED OFF FOUNDATIONS. JUST FOLT GONE. >> HURRICANE IDA RIPPING THROUGH LOUISIANA. >> THE RAIN -- >> THE REMNANTS OF HURRICANE IDA HAMMERED THE NORTHEAST. >> NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. >> THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE ISSUING A FLASH FLOOD EMERGENCY FOR NEW YORK CITY. >> IT WAS FRIGHTENING. >> MANY OF THE VICTIMS DYING IN FLOODED BASEMENTS. >> THE NATION’S DEADLIEST TORNADO OUTBREAK IN MORE THAN A DECADE. >> 88 PEOPLE LOST THEIR LIVES. >> WE LOST EVERYTHING. WE BASICALLY HAVE NOTHING. >> THE F.D.A. AUTHORIZING THE PFIZER VACCINE FOR 12 TO 15-YEAR-OLDS. >> THE DELTA VARIANT IS SPREADING AND THE HOSPITALIZATIONS ARE GOING UP. >> I’M PUTTING PEOPLE THAT ARE MY AGE AND MY PARENTS’ AGE IN BODY BAGS. >> I WILL NOT GET THAT VACCINE. >> AND A BUSY -- >> WE MUST STOP DENYING THAT THE

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>> 12 STORY APARTMENT BUILDING COLLAPSING OUTSIDE MIAMI BEACH. >> DESPERATE TO FIND SURVIVORS. >> TIME TO END AMERICA’S LONGEST WAR. >> MAYHEM IN KABUL. THE AIRPORT OVERRUN. >> THE DEADLIEST ATTACK ON U.S. FORCES IN AFGHANISTAN IN A DECADE. MARKING THE END OF AMERICA’S LONGEST WAR. >> THOUSANDS OF DIPLOMATS, ACTIVISTS AND WORLD LEADERS BRINGING THE GLOBAL CLIMATE CRISIS TO THE CENTER STAGE. >> WE ARE DROWNING. >> THE WORLD HAS WARMED MORE IN THE LAST 29 YEARS THAN IN THE PAST 110 YEARS. >> ARCTIC AIR, POWER GRIDS FAILING, AND MILLIONS LEFT TO COPE WITH THE BITTER COLD. TEXAS GETTING PUMMELED WITH SNOW. >> LIKE A WALK-IN FREEZER. >> PEOPLE FREEZING TO DEATH INSIDE THEIR HOMES. >> DANGEROUS HEAT WAVES HITTING BOTH COASTS. >> IT FEELS LIKE AN ARMAGEDDON. DISBLMPLETS RECORD-SHATTERING TEMPERATURES IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST NOW BLAMED FOR DOZENS OF DEATHS. >> IT’S LIKE YOU’RE ON **fire**. >> NEARLY TWO THIRDS OF THE WEST EXCEPTIONAL OR EXTREME DROUGHT. >> WILD**fire**S ACROSS THE WEST

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