



Wildland Fire Updates

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Report Fires: 911
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This update will not be updated over the weekend unless significant changes in activity occur.

7/26 Stuart Creek 2 Fire Information

Thank you to all who attended the public meeting last night at the Pleasant Valley Community Center. The Alaska Interagency Incident Management Team is conducting a brief survey to learn which methods of communicating fire information are most effective. To participate, please visit Survey Monkey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/stuartcreekfire>.

Stuart Creek 2 Fire Contacts and Information

- <http://www.inciweb.org/incident/3468/>
- (907) 451-0597
- Follow on Twitter: #StuartCreek2 #AK #AKMID
- Alaska Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation – Closure Information for Chena River State Recreation Area <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/asp/curevnts.htm>

It is important that homeowners in Alaska create defensible space. The Alaska Firewise brochure provides guidelines for emergency preparedness and measures that can be taken to prepare a home and property for wildland fire: <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/firewise09.pdf>.

7/26 Moon Lake and Tetlin Junction Ridge Fire Updates

Inciweb: <http://inciweb.org/incident/3459/>

7/26 Statewide Statistics

A total of 56 fires are active statewide; four are staffed. According to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center, so far this year 498 fires have burned 1,072,163 acres.

7/26 Wildland Fire Potential

The weather forecasters continue to predict statewide warm, dry weather for the weekend. The expected 80-degree temperatures are above normal for this time of year. The precipitation we have received this week has helped, but is not a sign that we no longer have fire potential. Please use caution with anything that could start a fire. Human-caused fires continue to be our primary source of wildland fires statewide. Check for Division of Forestry Burn Permit Suspensions, which are directly tied to the Burn Permit Program (<http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn>), before burning debris.

Due to fishing and other outdoor activities, fires that originate from campfires pose a concern.

Unattended and abandoned campfires continue to be a source for wildfires. A safe campfire is one that burns only the vegetation that you add to it. Check with landowners or managers for information about local regulations before you build a fire. Locate campfires in places where they cannot spread. Keep tools and water on hand and do not leave a fire unattended. Thoroughly extinguish any heat by stirring it using a shovel or a stick to expose burning material while drowning it with water.

7/25 Smoke

Smoke can pose health concerns for the public. Visit the “Protect Yourself from Smoke” website for information at <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/Wildfires/>. Keep informed of local fire information sources and air quality reports. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has smoke information at <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm> and <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/smokemain.htm>. For “Frequently Asked Questions” visit http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/smoke_qa.htm.

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“You are responsible for every fire you start”

Information Gathering/Additional References

www.inciweb.nwccg.gov

www.twitter.com

Alaska Fire Service account: **@BLM_AFS**

Alaska Division of Forestry account:

@AK_Forestry Bureau of Land

Management account: **@BLMAlaska**

National Park Service account:

@AlaskaNPS

US Fish and Wildlife Service account:

@USFWSAlaska Alaska Fire

Consortium: **@AKfirescience**

www.facebook.com

BLM Alaska Fire Service account:

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Alaska Division of Forestry account:

AK.Forestry

Bureau of Land Management account:

BLMAlaska

National Park Service account:

AlaskaNPS

US Fish and Wildlife Service account:

USFWSAlaska

www.youtube.com

Alaska Division of Forestry account: **AlaskaDNRDOF**

National Park Service account: **AlaskaNPS**

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/>
- Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
- Alaska Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
- National Fire Situation Report: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>
- Interagency Newsroom (Media Guide): <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/newsroom.php>
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group - Education and Reference Materials: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php>
- Alaska Fire Consortium: <http://akfireconsortium.uaf.edu>

- Protect your home and property!: <http://firewise.org/> and
- <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/firewise09.pdf>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns):
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov/>
- BLM Alaska Fire Service: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/afs/>
- Alaska Division of Forestry: <http://forestry.alaska.gov>
 - o Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn/>
- National Parks Service: <http://www.nps.gov/akso/nature/fire/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Anchorage Fire Department: www.muni.org/fire
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://tfr.faa.gov/tfr2/list.html>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

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