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HIGHLIGHTS

- No new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center in the last 24 hours. For a map of all fires in Alaska, visit: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
- Smoke from the Parks Highway Fire is intermittently present in the Tanana Valley. Due to the fire's large acreage, there is a considerable amount of unburned fuel within the fire perimeter. Smoke may be visible from the interior of the fire throughout the summer as the unburned vegetation burns during dry periods. For further information on the Parks Highway Fire visit: <http://www.parkshighwayfire.com/>
- Travelers on the George Parks Highway are advised to drive cautiously as they may encounter reduced visibility due to smoke.
- A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is still in effect for the Parks Highway Fire. For additional information on the specifics of the TFR go to the following website: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc>
- Currently 14 fires are active in Alaska. The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) reports that so far this year 189 fires statewide have burned nearly 157,107 acres. For additional information about fire activity in Alaska, please visit: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>

- For additional references, see next page -



ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov>
- Parks Highway Fire:
(907) 832-1835, (907) 451-3031, <http://parkshighwayfire.com/>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info):
(907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov>
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns):
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/>
- National Parks Service: www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information:
<http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov>

The Bureau of Land Management Alaska Fire Service provides wildland fire suppression services for all Department of the Interior and Native Corporation lands in Alaska, and assists those entities with other fire management activities including: guidance and interpretation of fire policy for BLM Alaska and management of the BLM Alaska aviation program. In addition to fire suppression missions, AFS also conducts prescribed fires in accordance with various partner agreements.