



Morning Highlights

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HIGHLIGHTS

- The Grass River Fire, also known as Fire 250, is burning 30 miles east of Fort Yukon. The Tractor Trail is two miles to the east and the nearest allotments are six miles to the east. The fire was monitored Wednesday evening and was estimated to be 1,500 acres, 70-percent active burning in black spruce and hardwoods, and the growth was to the north. Smoke plumes were as high as 8,000 feet and may be visible in the area and from Fort Yukon. The fire is burning on Doyon lands and no suppression measures are being taken at this time, though the area was supposed to receive precipitation.
- Five new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center (AICC) Wednesday, all of minor significance. The Bear Blanket Slough, Old Minto and Parks Highway fires are the only staffed fires. Mop up continues on Old Minto and Bear Blanket Slough, and a BLM Assessment Team is addressing emergency stabilization and rehabilitation issues on the Parks Highway Fire. Currently 36 fires are active in Alaska. AICC reports that so far this year 246 fires statewide have burned 221,550 acres.
- For additional information about fire activity in Alaska visit:
<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>. Or to access a map:
<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>

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ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov>
 - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
 - Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
- National Fire Situation: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov>
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626, <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/fire/>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- 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.