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Morning Highlights

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HIGHLIGHTS

- There have been a total of 165 fires reported this year. Total acreage burned is 34,531.2 acres. There were 2 new fires reported yesterday. There are 16 active fires in the state; 1 is on the military lands, 1 in the Tanana Zone, 6 in the Fairbanks area, 1 in the Kenai area, 1 is near Tok, 1 is located on the Chugach National Forest, 2 in the Mat-Su area, 2 in the Upper Yukon Zone and 1 in the Southwest area. All are being monitored closely.
- The Mooseheart fire acreage is at 14,500 acres due to updated mapping. There was a steady rain in the area through the night Sunday. The Chena and Tanana crews are working on the allotments on the west and east sides of the confluence of the Tanana and Cosna River, respectively, to evaluate protection of structures and set up hose lays as required. The IC hopes to bring all 7 smokejumpers off the lake area today and move them to a permanent residence on the Cosna River for structure prep. They will leave some equipment at structures near the lake in case of flare ups. The crews will assess the Buffalo Ranch Allotment today. 75 personnel are on site.
- 17 firefighters are on site continuing mopup efforts on the Pandora Fire, near Fairbanks. Three smokes were found this morning. Fire personnel will be downsized to 1 IA squad today. Control of the fire was declared at 8: 30 AM today.
- 18 firefighters are on site of the Agate Fire, in the southwest part of the state. This fire was lightning caused. Rainfall overnight aided suppression efforts. They worked the hot areas and gridded the perimeter. Today they are continuing to work the remaining hotspots. The fire was called contained last evening at 8 PM. They expect to call control of the fire tonight.
- The Ferry Fires are 60% contained. Four smoldering spots were detected; one was outside the retardant line. This fire has burned deep and is requiring extensive mop up. Crews were transported along the 8 mile section of the track by 3 High Rollers. The fire did not receive any precipitation. Tentative demob date is 5/31.

● 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>
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/pdfs/02firewise.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>

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