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Morning Highlights

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HIGHLIGHTS

- A total of 200 fires have been reported this year. Total acreage burned is 47,050 acres. There were 5 new fires reported yesterday. 1 was in the Mat-Su area and 4 are in the Upper Yukon Zone. There are 26 active fires in the state; 4 in the Tanana Zone, 4 in the Fairbanks area, 1 in Tok, 3 in the Mat-Su area 4 in the Galena Zone, and, 10 in the Upper Yukon Zone. All are being monitored closely.
- There was a dramatic shift in the Mooseheart fire yesterday; the fire crossed the Cosna River and increased in size by 2,000 acres. Three Type 1 crews conducted firing operations around allotments west of the Cosna River and south of the Tanana River. Smokejumpers were deployed to Mooseheart Lake to conduct burn out operations around a structure. The crews will continue burn out operations around structures at the confluence of the Tanana and Cosna Rivers. Aerial firing operations will begin south of the Tanana River. The Northstar Type 2 crew will be transported to the fire. 92 personnel are working on the fire including the Chena, Denali and Pioneer Peak crews.
- Governor Sarah Palin will be at the Alaska Division of Forestry Fairbanks Area office on today to meet with fire personnel and staff. Several AFS staff will participate in the event, which will begin at 10 AM.
- Four new fires were spotted in the Upper Yukon Zone by surveillance flights. These fires are in a limited zone and are being monitored closely.
- The firefighters at the Hughes Creek fire are working on mop up operations. The crews are locating any remaining hot spots and demob is planned for Friday. 40 personnel remain at the fire.
- 16 personnel remain at the Marten Creek fire which continues to creep and smolder in the black spruce and mixed hardwoods. There are no water sources available so the mop up will be heavy. The Type I and 2 crews arrived last evening. The 16 smokejumpers are scheduled to be demobed today.

• 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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