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Morning Highlights

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HIGHLIGHTS

435 fires have been reported this year for 331,011.7 acres burned. There were 6 new fires reported yesterday: 2 in the Tanana Zone, 2 in the Galena Zone and 1 in the Upper Yukon Zone and 1 in the Mat-Su Area. .

There are 96 active fires in the state: 20 in the Galena Zone, 28 in the Tanana Zone, 26 in the Upper Yukon Zone, 5 in the Fairbanks Area, 1 in the Kenai Peninsula, 12 in the Southwest Area 1 in the Tok Area and 2 in the Mat-Su Area. All are being monitored closely. 217 fires have been human caused and 217 have been lightning caused.

Big Creek (#420)

- Creeping and smoldering were observed. Crews secured a section of the fire (Division A) and continued to secure the right flank (Divisions B & C). Three additional Type II crews are expected to arrive today. 175 personnel are working on fire. This fire is located near Ruby.

Crews on the Fire:

Allakaket #1 Type 2
Grayling Type 2
Midnight Sun Type 1
Ruby Type 2

Denali Type 1
Kaltag #2 Type 2
Pioneer Peak Type 1
Tanana #2 Type 2

Boney Creek (#416)

- The fire continues to smolder. Good work by the crews and damp weather has moved the demob up a day. Completed pulling hose on right flank and half of the hose remains on the left flank. Northern section is complete. 107 personnel working on the fire. The fire is located southwest of Tanana.

Crews on the fire are:

Allakaket Type 2
Noorvik #1 Type 2
Stebbins #2 Type 2

Ft. Yukon #3 Type 2
St. Marys Type 2
Venetie #1 Type 2

Wild (#443)

- One Type 2 crew was mobilized to the fire. The Chena Hot Shot crew is working on the Koyukuk River, completed, and secured 3/4 of a mile of hose line. The Northstars are working the Wild River, completed 1/2 a mile of saw line, and secured the edge of the fire. The Scammon Bay Type 2 arrived early evening. There was precipitation onto the fire mid-afternoon which helped minimize fire activity into the evening. Crews will continue to secure the southern perimeter tomorrow. This fire is located in the Bettles area. 62 personnel are working on the lightning caused fire.

Crews:

Chena Type 1 Northstar Type 2
Scammon Bay Type 2

Other Information

- Pilots are advised to check NOTAMs as Temporary Flight Restrictions are in effect for the following fires: Applegate and Dugan Hills. These TFRS may be lifted later today, please check your NOTAMs before flying. The TFR include a 5 mile radius around the fire and a 5,000 foot ceiling. Fire air operations personnel ask that pilots please respect TFRs and avoid airspace over wildland fires, even if a TFR is not in place, because of safety concerns. For specific information, visit:
<http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc>.

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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