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FIREWISE EVENTS AND TIPS

The State of Alaska Wildland Fire Prevention and Preparedness Week ended on May 18 but fire prevention is really a fulltime effort. Protect yourself, your family and your neighbors by learning about wildland fire prevention practices and preparedness measures. Take the time to evaluate the risk from wildland fire to your home and property. Visit the FireWise Alaska brochure for guidelines:

<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/afs/organization/mgmtplan/firewise.php>

WILDLAND FIRE UPDATE

Two small fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center over the weekend. Both were in the Mat-Su area and both were put out. A couple of fires were reported by pilots over the weekend but reconnaissance by AFS could not locate or confirm the reports. Prescribed burning on the Fairbanks Small Arms Range occurred Sunday but poor burning conditions limited the operation.

PRESCRIBED BURNS

ALASKA FIRE SERVICE MILITARY ZONE: Donnelly Training Area: Bolio Lakes and portions of Oklahoma Range may be attempted starting Tuesday, May 20, weather permitting. A portion the Ft. Wainwright Small Arms Range was burned on Sunday but burning conditions prevented completion.

BURN PERMITS

Burn permits are issued by the Alaska Division of Forestry. To obtain burn permits and information, please contact your local Division of Forestry office:

<i>Fairbanks Area:</i>	907-451-2626
<i>Delta Area:</i>	907-895-2106
<i>Tok Area:</i>	907-883-5134
<i>Mat-Su District:</i>	907-761-6312
<i>Kenai-Kodiak Area:</i>	907-260-4269
<i>Valdez/ Copper River Area:</i>	907-822-5536
<i>Northern Southeast Area (Skagway/ Haines):</i>	907-766-2120

For additional State of Alaska burn permit information, please visit:

<http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/burnpermits.htm>

**In Anchorage, please contact the Anchorage Fire Department's Wildfire Mitigation Office at 267-5020.*

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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>
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/02firewise.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov/>
Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: <http://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/>
- Anchorage Fire Department: www.muni.org/fire
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

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