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# Morning Highlights

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*\*Highlights will next be updated Monday, June 23, unless fire activity increases\**

## CELEBRATE THE MIDNIGHT SUN!!!!

There are many ways to start a fire- even unintentionally. Fire personnel encourage you to enjoy the weekend as you celebrate Alaska's midnight sun, but also to use caution with anything that could start a fire.

Human-caused fires in Alaska have been started by campfires, cigarettes, fireworks, off-road vehicles, burn piles, tool sharpening, and the list continues. Weekend weather is predicted to be warmer and drier for much of the state; all it will take is a spark. Let's work together to prevent fires and keep the skies smoke-free.

For brochures about using a burn barrel safely, building a safe campfire, and other wildland fire reference materials, please visit:  
<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php> --- Part D: Brochures and Educational Materials

Saturday, June 21, starting at noon, BLM Alaska Fire Service, the Alaska Division of Forestry and the National Park Service will jointly staff a Downtown Association of Fairbanks' midnight sun festival booth (located at #241 on 2nd Street, across from Springhill Suites). You are invited to drop by and learn about protecting your home and property from wildland fires, take your picture in a wooden cut-out of a smokejumper, pick up give-away items, and more. For information about the street fair and a map of booths and vendors, go to:  
<http://www.downtownfairbanks.com/Events/MSFforms/MSFmain.html>

## FIRE UPDATE

Three new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center Thursday. All of the fires were human-caused and were put out or contained by State and local firefighters. So far this year 204 fires have burned nearly 4,190 acres.

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## BURN PERMIT INFORMATION

Burn permits are issued by the Alaska Division of Forestry. To obtain burn permits and information about permitted burn restrictions, 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/burn/>

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

## 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>
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group- Education and Reference Materials: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php>
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/06Firewise.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/burn/>
- 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](http://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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