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Morning Highlights 2008-60

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Starting Saturday, August 2, Morning Highlights will no longer be updated on a regular basis.

Tanana Valley State Fair Booth



The 2006 Society of American Foresters and State of Alaska fair booth.

The 2008 Tanana Valley State Fair in Fairbanks is August 1-9. If you attend the fair, please visit the Society of American Foresters (SAF) and State of Alaska booth. Primary themes for the booth this year will be: FireWise (protecting your home and property from wildland fire), Fire Information, and Wood Energy. Materials on these themes, and more, have been contributed by many cooperators.

Moist, cool weather conditions have prevented significant fire activity throughout the state this summer. Even though wildland fire and smoke are not a current threat, there is no better time to be proactive and take measures now that could in a future, more active fire season save your house and property. Information about the steps you can take is found at: <http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/06Firewise.pdf>

Fire Information

Alaska: No new fires were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center Wednesday.

The Alaska Type 1 Incident Management Team has been ordered to go to the Siskiyou Complex in northern California.

Lower-48 Fire Situation: According to the National Interagency Fire Center, firefighters continue to make suppression progress in northern California. The American River Complex was contained at 20,541 acres. A total of 28 fires and complexes are burning throughout the western and southern states. California remains the most active with 12 large fires.

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>
 - Guide to Wildland Fire Suppression in AK:
<http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/news/flash/Media%20Guide%20to%20AK%20Wildland%20Fire%20Suppression.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
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov/>

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