

Alaska Monthly Fire Potential Outlook



- **Forecast:**

- June fire potential is expected to be normal statewide. The late fire season is questionable due to uncertainty of changes in the El Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO).

- **Factors:**

- High pressure is forecasted to build in over Alaska for the first week of the month, bringing a warming and drying trend. It is typical for June to be a warm, fairly dry month.
- June is typically Alaska's busiest month as temperatures peak, precipitation is minimal, and both lightning and human outdoor activity reach their maximum. There is no reason to expect this year to be any different.
- ENSO is currently in a neutral state. If it remains neutral, activity will taper off with increasing rains by the end of July and into August. If El Nino becomes dominant, it is likely that end-of-season rainfall will be delayed, and the fire season could be very active through August..