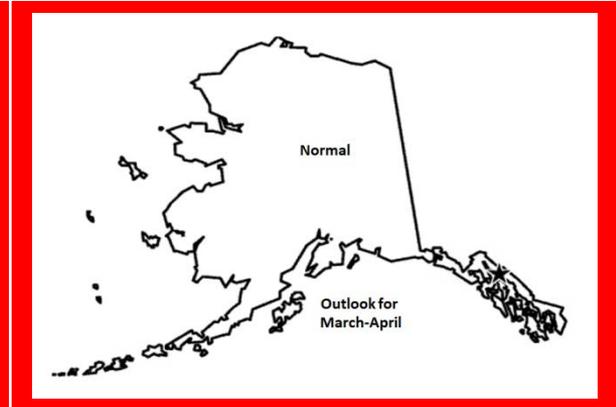
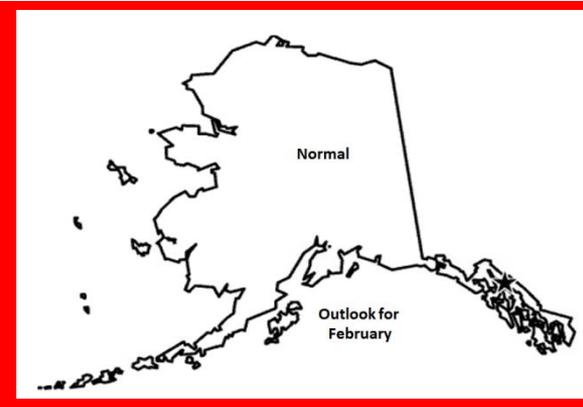
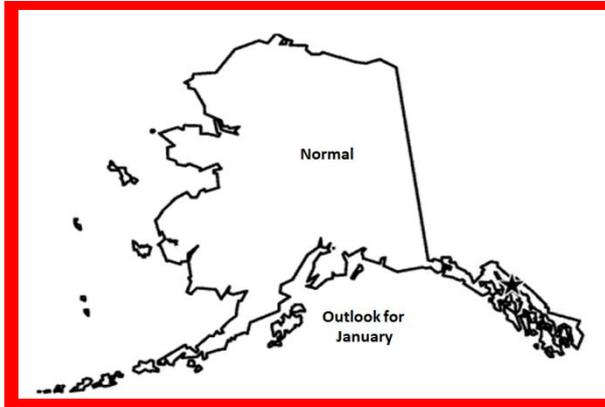


# Alaska Monthly Fire Potential Outlook



## Forecast:

- The forecast for January through April is normal across all of Alaska. Alaska is out of fire season. Daylight hours are short, sun angle is low and snow cover is predominant over most of the state.

## Factors:

- The U.S. Drought monitor still identifies areas of abnormally dry across portions of the Interior from the eastern Seward Peninsula to the central Interior and the upper Tanana Valley and the central Brooks Range and North Slope. The area of Abnormally Dry has been shrinking.
- Warmer than normal conditions are forecast for the entire state on the CPC maps for the whole winter. Greater than normal precipitation shows for the Gulf of Alaska coastline, but drier than normal is likely for the western Interior and West Coast for the majority of the winter. Temperatures are expected to remain near or below freezing for most locations from this point forward.
- The Canadian Fuels and Fire Danger Rating System (CFFDRS) Fire Weather Indices are no longer being calculated this year. Calculation will begin again next spring after the snow melts.