

Coffee Brief

Date: June 30, 2024

Preparedness Levels & Alaska Fire Activity

Alaska	4
National	3

Light Initial Attack Activity	
New Fires and Acres: 8 fires for 215 acres	

There are currently 19 staffed fires with 657 personnel. Yesterday's large fire growth was ~29,169 acres.

#253(UYD): ASM-K9

#306(TAD): ASM-K9

#311(KKS): ASM-K7, T-544, S-261/263, J-92 w/ 12 SMKJs

#312(MSS): ASM A4, ASM K-9, T-545, T-544, S-285/286, J-90 w/ 12 SMKJs

Sources: National and AICC Situation Report, AICC Aircraft Logs

Prioritized Incident Details

Тор	12 Alaska Prio	ority Sun	nmary Based or	n Most Recent 209's															
				New and emerging initial attack within Alaska is #1															
Priority	Unit	Seq.#	Incident	Descriptive Location	Size in Acres	Yesterday's Acres	Change Since Last 209	% Contained/ Completed	Expected Contain/Com plete Date	Suppression Strategy	Complexity (Incident Management Organization)	IC	Total Personnel	Crews Assigned		ned T2IA	Helico T-1	oters As T-2	ssigned T-3
1	AKDNS	900	Grapefruit Complex	30 miles NE of Fairbanks on both sides of Highway 2.	40,849.0		40,849.0	0%	10/30	1/0	Type 3 Incident	AK-TAD Duty Officer AK-UYD Duty Officer	94	2	2				
2	AKKAR	300	Lookout	0	9.0	9.0	-	0%	1/0	Full Suppression	Type 4 Incident	0	0						
2	AKDNS	301	Fickett	0	40.0	40.0	-	0%	1/0	Full Suppression	Type 5 Incident	0	0					1	
3	AKTKCN	169	Portage	1 mile south of Georgetown, AK.	823.4	823.4	-	39%	8/1	Point Zone Protection	Type 3 Incident	B.Quimby ICT3	34	1	1				
4	AKDNS	252	Deception Pup	3 miles northwest of Central, Alaska	123.0	123.0	-	50%	10/1	Full Suppression	Type 4 Incident	Julia Lauch ICT3 and Nolin Page ICT3t	91	1	1			1	
4	AKDHCN	259	Flasco	Near Circle Alaska	7.0	7.0	-	0%	7/5	Full Suppression	Type 3 Incident	Idaho Team 3, Julia Lauch IC	10						
5	AKFWQ	119	McDonald	9 miles southwest of Salcha	104,544.9	96,468.0	8,076.9	0%	10/1	Point Zone Protection	Type 3 Incident	IC Kudo IC-T Schumacher	0	2				1	
6	AKDNS	276	Gold King Creek	Gold King Creek	2,803.5		2,803.5	0%	7/10	Point Zone Protection	Type 3 Incident	Stark, Jeffery	36		1				
7	AKKAP	143	American Creek	25 miles northeast from King Salmon	4,650.5	8,184.0	(3,533.5)	3%	9/30	Monitor	Type 5 Incident	Torrey Short	8					1	
8	AKDNS	213	Deep	9 Miles S of Lake Minchumina	6,058.0	1,200.0	4,858.0	35%	9/28	Point Zone Protection	1/0	Rishavy	68		2			2	2
12	AKSWR	209	Naluk	16 Miles SE of Kiana	8,000.0		8,000.0	0%	10/1	Point Zone Protection	1/0	E. Butterfield ICT4 Alaska Fire Service	24						1

Source: AMAC Incident Prioritization List, ICS-209s

Resources

Aviation within Alaska	Total
Air Tactical	3
ASM	1
BirdDog	1
Lats	2
FireBosses	8
Scoopers	4
SMKJ	4
Utility AC	7
Helicopter, Type 1	1
Helicopter, Type 2	8
Helicopter, Type 3	8
Total Aircraft	47

Crews Committed within Alaska						
Type2IA	5					
Type 1	10					
Type 2	8					
Type 1 Module						
Type 2 Module	2					
Suppression Module	2					
Total Crews	27					

Incident Mangaement Teams in Alaska						
CIMT	1					
IMT 1						
IMT 2						
IMT 3	2					
Total IMTs	3					

AVIATION

- -Resources remain prepositioned at FYU/BTT/GAL/PAQ due to smoke.
- -AA-OSG arrived FBK.
- -T-542, T-545 and 2GC/K7 are all back in service.
- -NICC Jet #3 arrived FBK.

AIRSPACE/TFRs

#253(UYD): 4/5108 Globe

#312(MSS): 4/5642 Montana Creek - NEW

SMOKEJUMPER

Anticipated smokejumpers available: ~ 21

~ 104 SMKJ's committed

-12 additional SMKJ orders placed up and filled (mainly to backfill boosters who are timing out). NDT 7/1 1200.

Smokejumper Demobilizations

Yesterday: #252/#259(UYD): 12; #276(FAS): 6

Planned for today:

CREWS

- 5 AK contract crews committed and 4 available GACC
- Pioneer Peak on days off, available tomorrow 7/1
- Gannett Glacier available today 6/30

NICC JET MOVEMENT

Jet Mobilizations:

Jet #1 - Arrived 6/25 all Crews on incident

Jet #2 – Arrived 6/26, all Crews on incident

Jet #3 – Arrived yesterday 6/29 – Crew mobilization to fires ongoing

Jet #4 - Mobilizing 7/1, 4 IHCs filled

OVERHEAD/TEAMS

- 51 pending overhead requests
- WY IMT3 in briefed yesterday assigned to Montana Creek Fire #312(MSS)
- CIMT AK Team 3 in briefed yesterday assigned to Grapefruit Complex (UYD) #253(Globe), 248, 249, 192, takeover tomorrow 7/1
- AK CIMTs available GACC only
- Joint Information Center (JIC) activation today 6/30 @ AFS

Source: IROC Reports, National Smokejumper Status Report, AK Incident Aircraft Tracking Spreadsheet & AICC Documentation, 2024 IMT Tracking Report

Weather Summary

Strong high pressure over mainland Alaska will persist through the weekend and into next week. Temperatures five to ten degrees above normal are forecast across much of mainland Alaska, with RH values into the low 20s.

Showers and thunderstorms will develop along the western and southern side of the high pressure system each afternoon and evening.

Southern Alaska will see increasing moisture late this weekend as a low pressure system works its way into the Gulf of Alaska. This will feed spotty showers, leaving many dry areas on the landscape, but will be a fair moderation of fuels. Unfortunately, it is not likely much of this moisture will make it over the Alaska Range where it is most needed.

High pressure starts to get squeezed out the middle of next week, though it doesn't completely disappear but instead reorganizes farther south. At the same time, cooler temperatures and gusty westerly winds come into the Interior. This could be a significant spreading event if it occurs- eyes are focused hard on the medium and long range as this transition occurs.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

Fuels/Fire Potential

Very High and Extreme Fine Fuel Moisture Codes (FFMC) across the state means that surface fuels are receptive to ignitions, both human and natural. Today, Initial Spread Indices have moderated in some areas, but remain Very High to Extreme in the Upper Yukon and a smaller portion of the Copper River Basin. Very dry conditions are expected to persist for the next week in most areas.

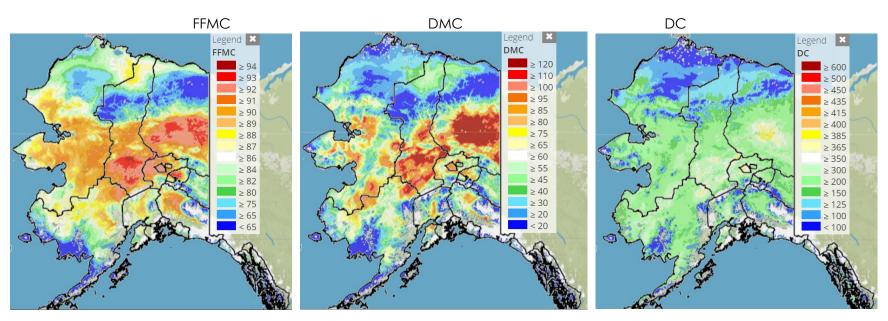
The Yukon Flats continue to have the highest indices throughout all of the burnable fuel column, with Duff Moisture Codes and Buildup Indices showing Very High and Extreme. With lightning in the forecast continuing there over the next couple of days, ignitions and rapid spread are likely.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

Fuels Status Alaska Fire and Fuels Map

No Red Flag Warnings or Fire Weather Watches

Click on the following images for direct links to the maps.



For additional fuels information visit https://akff.mesowest.org/

Sources: AICC Predictive Services – Fuels/Fire Danger web page, Alaska Fire & Fuels web page

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