

Coffee Brief

Date: 7/12/2025

Preparedness Levels & Alaska Fire Activity					
National	3	Light IA Nationally – New Fires 126			
Alaska	4	Light Initial Attack Activity (as of 0700)- New Fires and Acres: 4 fires, 20 acres Large Fire Growth: ~ 51,125 acres *approx 32,000 acres was 5-7 days catch up on 6, 209 fires.			

Sources: National and AICC Situation Dashboard

Prioritized Incident Details	
	ALASKA MAC GROUP PRIORITIES – DECISION 7/12/2025
	1. Initial Attack
	2. #903 - Nenana Ridge CPX (CIMT AK 2), FAS
	3. #223 - Himalaya Road (CIMT SW 3), FAS
	4. #904- Goldrun Complex,(T3) GAD
	5. #902 – <u>Roundabout</u> Complex (IMT3), GAD
	6. #237 - Bear Creek (T3 NR 8), FAS
	7. #901 - Ptarmigan <u>Complex</u> (T3), UYD
	8. #218- Ninetyeight (T3), MID
	9. # 199- Lush (T3), TAD
	10.#225 -Elephant (T4),TAD

Source: AMAC Incident Prioritization List, ICS-209s

Resources

• Pending Crew Orders

Current Pending	Count of Request Name	
CR1I - Crew, Type 1 or 2 IA		0
CR2I - Crew, Type 2 IA		4
CRW1 - Crew, Type 1		1
CRW2 - Crew, Type 2		1
Grand Total		6

Resources within the GACC (Tactical and Committed to Incidents)

Resources	
Smoke Jumpers	~6
LAT's	2
Scoopers (Multi/Single)	8
AA / ASM	5
T1 Helicopter	2
T2 Helicopter	10
T3 Helicopter	19
T1 Crews	20
T2IA Crews	12
T2 Crews (Agency / Contract)	16
Suppression Module	10
Wildland Fire Module	3

Source: IROC Reports

Weather Summary

Ridging is building in over northern Alaska today. This will bring warming and drying conditions throughout the state for the weekend, with temperatures into the 70s today and into the low 80s on Sunday. Winds will be light in most areas, though parts of the northwestern Interior will see some blustery winds at times. Expect near Red Flag conditions in the Kobuk Valley today, which is noteworthy as there is a lot of fire activity and boots on the ground there.

Showers and thunderstorms are a slim possibility in the south today, with the main focus in interior Southwest. Tomorrow, the footprint expands to cover the southern Interior as well. Monday looks to be a very active lightning day across much of the Interior, with highest lightning concentrations in the east. There is a chance that Red Flag Warnings will be issued for lightning activity in some eastern Interior zones on Monday.

Next week sees a shift in the ridge with low pressure coming in from the west on Monday and Tuesday. This is likely to bring some wetting rains to western Alaska, and the chance for showers and thunderstorms to the east. On Wednesday, the models are wavering between ridging building back in and more troughing aloft; these solutions would lead to two very different weather regimes. Tune in again tomorrow for the latest updates on that medium range forecast period.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

Fuels/Fire Potential

The warming and drying trend across the Interior is rapidly drying out fine fuels, increasing the potential for new starts once again. The western Interior and especially the Northwest will be the focus again today. Fuels there have missed any recent precipitation. Expect frequent torching, occasional crowning and spread rates up to around 3/4 mph today.

The areas that had some rain but didn't take the full brunt of the stalled trough and its associated rainfall this past week will see more active fire movement today. In particular, the Tanana Valley is an area to watch as fuels become more flammable today and will exhibit occasional torching. However, the area from Minchumina to Fairbanks to Ft. Yukon was the wettest, dousing the Duff Moisture Code and the Drought Code along that line, and fires there are less likely to see much growth this weekend.

Southern Alaska also has some areas of greater concern. South Central has moderately dry surface fuels, while the duff layers there have become quite dry over the last month. New ignitions there are more likely this weekend, especially with people out recreating in the nicer weather. Fires there could present a challenge to control measures, as well as strain resources already dedicated to existing fires.

Fuels Status Alaska Fire and Fuels Map



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

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

Notable from around the State and additional links for information

Link to the Risk Management Assistance Dashboard Intel Matrix for AK is now available at https://arcg.is/10DD43

Links to SharePoint IMT/Crew Tracking Spreadsheets:

Crew Glidepath - 2025 Crew Tracking Report.xlsx IMT Assignments - 2025 IMT Tracking Report - ConditionalFormatting updatedv3.xlsx

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