



Coffee Brief

Date: 7/16/2025

Preparedness Levels & Alaska Fire Activity

National	4	Light IA Nationally – New Fires 95
Alaska	3	Light Initial Attack Activity (as of 0700)- New Fires and Acres: 1 fire, <1 acres Large Fire Growth: ~ 7,221 acres

Sources: National and AICC Situation Dashboard

Prioritized Incident Details

ALASKA MAC GROUP PRIORITIES – DECISION 7/16/2025	
1. Initial Attack	
2.	#903 Nenana Ridge CPX (CIMT AK 2), FAS
3.	#223 Himalaya Road (CIMT RM 2), FAS
4.	#902 Roundabout Complex (IMT3 SW), GAD
5.	#904 Goldrun Complex, (IMT3 WY) GAD
6.	#218 Ninetyeight (T3), MID
7.	#199 Lush (T3), TAD
8.	#901 Ptarmigan Complex (T3), UYD

Source: AMAC Incident Prioritization List, ICS-209s

Resources

- Pending Crew Orders

Current Pending	Count of Request Name
CR1I - Crew, Type 1 or 2 IA	1
CR2I - Crew, Type 2 IA	7
CRW1 - Crew, Type 1	2
CRW2 - Crew, Type 2	1
Grand Total	11

Resources within the GACC *(Tactical and Committed to Incidents)*

Resources	
Smoke Jumpers	~13
LAT's	2
Scoopers (Multi/Single)	14
AA / ASM	4
T1 Helicopter	2
T2 Helicopter	10
T3 Helicopter	18
T1 Crews	18
T2IA Crews	11
T2 Crews (Agency / Contract)	13
Suppression Module	9
Wildland Fire Module	3

Source: IROC Reports

Weather Summary

Today, a ridge extends from the Gulf into the Interior. An upper-level low is digging into the ridge, moving north across southwest Alaska and bringing rain along with it. At the same time a surface low is moving from Bristol Bay to the Tanana Valley shifting winds from southerly to easterly in the Interior. Temperatures should be in the low 70s, but could get into the mid 70s where skies manage to stay clear. Relative humidities will be in the 40-50% range for most of the Central and Eastern Interior, with the exception of the Upper Tanana Valley which could get as low as the mid 30s. The west will remain cooler and damper again today.

Ridging will build over Alaska through the weekend, with temperatures warming into the mid to upper 70s by Friday. Relative humidities shouldn't see much of an impact, remaining in the 40s during the day with good overnight recovery. Winds should be largely unremarkable after today. Thunderstorms are generally off the table until Friday where isolated storms in the Interior become a possibility.

The medium range forecast keeps low pressure in the Bering Sea, with waves moving through the state at times. This will keep cooler and damper weather in the west, and warmer and drier weather in the east. The chance for showers and thunderstorms in the east will continue through the period.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

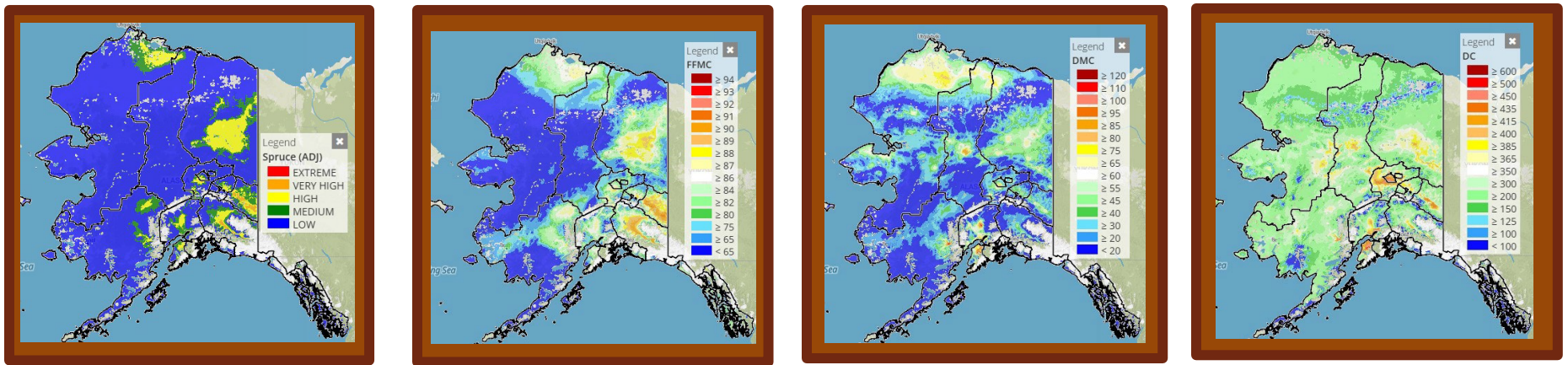
Fuels/Fire Potential

Today should be cool with extensive cloud cover, but not much precipitation. Moisture coming into the west will continue to lower fire potential along the West Coast and western Interior. Winds will be shifting from southerly to easterly as a low travels north from Bristol Bay to the northern side of the Alaska Range. This low may also enhance winds in the Copper River Basin and through the Alaska Range this afternoon, in the drier areas, rapid rates of spread with frequent torching are a possibility.

In the central and eastern Interior, the showery nature of the rain will allow some growth to continue, particularly in the Upper Tanana and Upper Yukon Valleys which are the driest parts of the state. Forecast indices indicate a mosaic of wet and dry fuels throughout the east over the next few days.

The Buildup Index is changing with the incoming rainfall. Currently, its areas of long-term concern are the eastern Interior and South Central, with moderation occurring in the west. The northeast Interior and Tanana Valley are on a drying trend over the next few days, and duff fuels in those areas are likely to dry back into a Very High range of concern.

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 -  [AICC IMT Tracking Report - ConditionalFormatting_updatedv3.xlsx](#)

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