

# Coffee Brief

#### Date: June 26, 2024

Preparedness Levels & Alaska Fire Activity

Alaska	3
National	2

Moderate Initial Attack Activity	
New Fires and Acres: 15 fires for 275 acres	

There are currently 18 staffed fires. Yesterday's large fire growth was ~17,303 acres

# Alaska will move to PL4 today @ noon

#191(UYD): Requested 1 load SMKJs for structure pro. Rolled J-90, they kicked 4.

#252(UYD): Rolled J-90 w/ 12 SMKJs, BD-840, ASM-B42, T-542, T-544, FB-246/247, FB-208/209 (from GAL), S-285/286 (diverted from #213).

#255(UYD): Rolled J-17 from GAL, they were later diverted to #259(UYD). Rolled J-90 w/ 11 SMKJs later in the evening- they only kicked 2.

**#259(UYD):** Diverted J-17 w/ 8 SMKJs from #255; rolled AA-201, diverted FB-208/209/246/247 from #255.

#209(GAD): Rolled ASM-K7 and S-261/263 from FBK- GAL had them return GAL to fuel & hold before they arrived to #209.

#223(GAD): Requested 2 FBs, denied.

**#213(TAD):** Rolled AA-201, S-285/286- they were later diverted to #252, then #259.

#258(SWS): Requested 1 load SMKJs, AA, and tanker. Rolled ASM-K7 from GAL, diverted T-542 from #252(UYD).

#264(FAS): Requested 1 load (none avail-jumped out); 2 FBs – later in the night, rolled J-17 w/ 8 SMKJs.

Sources: National and AICC Situation Report, AICC Aircraft Logs

# Prioritized Incident Details (\*NOT official order – waiting for prioritization) Top 12 Alaska Priority Summary Based on Most Recent 209's

	New and emerging initial attack within Alaska is #1																		
Priority	Unit	Seq.	Incident	Descriptive Location	Size in	Yesterday's	Change Since Last	% Contained/C	Expected Contain/Comp	Suppression	Complexity (Incident Management	IC	Total	Crews Assigned			Helicopters Assigned		
Pric	Oilli	#	ilicidelli	Descripiive Locuilori	Acres	Acres	209	ompleted	lete Date	Strategy	Organization)	ic .	Personnel	T-1	T2	T2IA	T-1	T-2	T-3
1	AKTKCN	201	Cribby Creek	2 miles north of Red Devil, AK.	400.0		400.0	9%	7/31	Full Suppression	1/0	B.Quimby ICT3	28	2					
2	AKDNS	213	Deep	9 Miles S of Lake Minchumina	322.0		322.0	35%	9/28	Full Suppression	Type 3 Incident	Rishavy	65	1	2	1		2	2
3	AKFWQ	119	McDonald	9 miles southwest of Salcha	50,261.9		50,261.9	0%	10/1	Point Zone	Type 3 Incident	IC Kudo IC-T Schumacher	83	2				2	
4	AKTKCN	169	Portage	1 mile south of Georgetown, AK.	1,500.0		1,500.0	1%	8/1	Point Zone	Type 5 Incident	B.Quimby ICT3	29	1		1			
5	AKEID	191	Van Hatten	54 mi southeast of Circle, Alaska	249.0		249.0	0%	10/1	Various	Type 3 Incident	IC Roland	4						
6	AKSWR	209	Naluk	6 Miles SE of Hockley Hills	1,464.0		1,464.0	0%	10/1	Point Zone	Type 5 Incident	Dustin Widmer FMO Galena Zone Alaska Fire Service	0						
7	AKADD	172	South Fork George River	16 miles north of Red Devil, AK.	5,043.3		5,043.3	0%	8/1	Point Zone	Type 4 Incident	ICT3 Quimby	0	1					
8	AKDNS	156	Ivy Creek	13 miles North of McGrath, AK	69.8		69.8	98%	6/23	Full Suppression	Type 4 Incident	Phillips	20		1				
9	0	222	Tekeaksakrak	0	248.0		248.0	0%	1/0	Monitor	Type 4 Incident	0	0						
10	0		0	0	-		-	0%	1/0		1/0	0	0						

Source: AMAC Incident Prioritization List, ICS-209s

# Resources

Aviation within Alaska	Total
Air Tactical	1
ASM	2
BirdDog	1
Lats	2
FireBosses	6
Scoopers	4
SMKJ	3
Utility AC	3
Helicopter, Type 1	1
Helicopter, Type 2	6
Helicopter, Type 3	6
Total Aircraft	35

Crews Committed within Alaska					
Type2IA	3				
Type 1	7				
Type 2	3				
Type 1 Module					
Type 2 Module					
Suppression Module	2				
Total Crews	15				

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

#### **AVIATION**

- -J-92 O/S mechanical (broken gauge). OAX O/S as well.
- -OAK approved for DOI fires- no USFS yet.
- -76Z completed second half of fuel delivery mission for YFDC > MHM.
- -OPE, 76Z, and Everts Air ships N208CE and N715HE mobilized Del Rosa IHC and Laguna IHC>RDV.
- -Everts Air N838GV mob'ed Big Bear IHC>MHM / demobed Gannett Glacier from MHM.

#### AIRSPACE/TFRs

4/0375 McDonald 4/2933 Deep

#### **SMOKEJUMPERS**

Anticipated smokejumpers available: ~ 9 +24 boosters after in briefing ~ 101 SMKJ's committed

- All 24 of our SMJ Boost orders have been filled, should be trickling into the shack over the next couple of days.

### **Smokejumper Demobilizations**

Yesterday: #238(TAD): 8; #201(SWS): 8; #246(FAS): 4; #200(GAD): 7 Planned for today: #222(GAD): 12; #245(FAS): 4; #246(FAS): 4

#### **CREWS**

- 5 BLM Contract crews available
- Jet #1 crews were dispersed to their various fires

#### **NICC JET MOVEMENT**

#### Jet Mobilizations:

Jet #1 – Arrived yesterday 6/25

Jet #2 – Mobilizing 6/26

Jet #3 – Mobilizing 6/29 – Crew orders pending

Jet #4 - Pending

#### **OVERHEAD/TEAMS**

- 31 pending overhead requests
- GB IMT 3 ID Team 1 2024 AICC Support ongoing mobilization to AK

Source: IROC Reports, National Smokejumper Status Report, AK Incident Aircraft Tracking Spreadsheet & AICC Documentation, 2022 IMT Tracking Report

#### Weather Summary

A dome of moderately strong high pressure over mainland Alaska will persist through next weekend. This weather pattern will bring several days of temperatures 5 to 10 degrees above normal across the Interior and South-Central Alaska...with the hottest temperatures coming on Thursday and Friday.

Showers and predominantly wet thunderstorms will develop along the western and southern side of the high pressure system each afternoon and evening through the week. It is possible that thunderstorms along the Al-Can border in the Interior will be dry during the second half of the work week. Also, on Thursday easterly winds of 10 to 20 mph will develop across the northern Interior...given the warm temperatures and dry fuels, this may become a Red Flag scenario.

Eventually the high pressure will break down, and that event may bring a period of hot, dry, and windy weather as the weather scenario transitions.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

# Fuels/Fire Potential

The Yukon Flats continues to have highest indices across the board from the surface into the duff layers.

Values of Initial Spread Index (ISI) will climb across western Alaska today as southerly winds pick up.

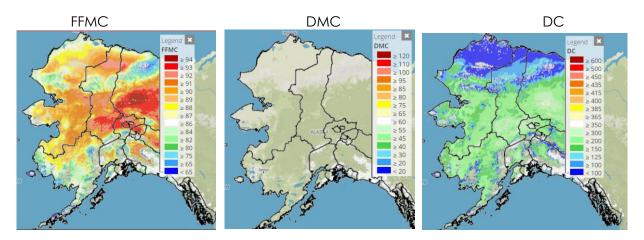
Persistent warm weather this week will further warm and dry the subsurface duff layers. Watch for rising values of Duff Moisture Code (DMC) and the Build-up Index (BUI).

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

Fuels Status Alaska Fire and Fuels Map

There are no Fire Weather Watches or Warnings

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



For additional fuels information visit <a href="https://akff.mesowest.org/">https://akff.mesowest.org/</a>

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

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