

Coffee Brief

Date: June 28, 2024 – UPDATED @0811 – added a staffed fire and personnel

Preparedness Levels & Alaska Fire Activity

Alaska	4	Moderate Initial Attack Activity
National	3	New Fires and Acres: 15 fires for 698 acres

There are currently 14 staffed fires with 394 personnel. Yesterday's large fire growth was ~38,234 acres.

#209(GAD): AA-201

#253(UYD): BD-905, T-542, T-544, FB-208/209/246/247, S-261/263, 1 pounder load of 4 SMKJs

#276(FAS): AA-0AX, BD-905, T-542, T-544, S-285/286

#297(FAS): AA-0AX and FB-246/147

#300/#301(TAD): Rolled J-92 w/ 12 SMKJs from GAL, ASM-K7 and S-285/286

Prioritized Incident Details

Top 12 Alaska Priority Summary Based on Most Recent 209's

New and emerging initial attack within Alaska is #1																			
Priority	Unit	Sea.#	Incident	Descriptive Location	Size in	Yesterday's	Change Since Last	% Contained/	Expected Contain/Com	Suppression	Complexity (Incident Management	IC	Total	Crev	ws Assig	ned	d Helicopters Assigned		
Pri	Omi	seq. #	incideni	Descripiive Localion	Acres	Acres	209	Completed	plete Date	Strategy	Organization)	IC .	Personnel	T-1	T2	T2IA	T-1	T-2	T-3
1	AKDNS	253	Globe	6 miles north of Wickersham Dome	1,518.0	1,518.0	-	0%	9/28	Monitor	Type 4 Incident	IC Matush	11	2					
2	AKDNS	252	Deception Pup	3 miles northwest of Central, Alaska	150.0	150.0	-	75%	10/1	Full Suppression	Type 5 Incident	IC Anderson	44	2					
3	AKDHCN	259	Flasco	0	7.0		7.0	0%	1/0	Full Suppression	Type 3 Incident	0	0						
4	AKADD	172	South Fork George River	16 miles north of Red Devil, AK.	6,299.1	6,299.1	-	0%	8/1	Point Zone	Type 4 Incident	ICT3 Quimby	20	1					
5	AKTKCN	169	Portage	1 mile south of Georgetown, AK.	858.5	858.5	-	1%	8/1	Point Zone	Type 3 Incident	B.Quimby ICT3	34	1		1			
6	AKTKCN	201	Cribby Creek	2 miles north of Red Devil, AK.	91.2	91.2	-	9%	7/31	Full Suppression	Type 3 Incident	B.Quimby ICT3	28	2					
7	AKTKCN	171	Eightmile Creek	0	2,855.2	2,855.2	-	0%	1/0		1/0	0	0						
8	AKADD	170	Downey Creek	0	107.8		107.8	0%	1/0	Point Zone	1/0	0	0						
9	AKFWQ	119	McDonald	9 miles southwest of Salcha	83,980.8	62,507.0	21,473.8	0%	10/1	Point Zone	1/0	IC Rudo IC-T Schumacher	73	4				2	
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	2
ASM	1
BirdDog	1
Lats	2
FireBosses	6
Scoopers	4
SMKJ	4
Utility AC	4
Helicopter, Type 1	1
Helicopter, Type 2	8
Helicopter, Type 3	6
Total Aircraft	39

Crews Committed within Alaska						
Type2IA	2					
Type 1	9					
Type 2	3					
Type 1 Module						
Type 2 Module	1					
Suppression Module	2					
Total Crews	17					

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

AVIATION

- Prepositioned J-90 and FB-208/209 > FYU; J-92 and S-261/263 > GAL due to smoke this evening
- FB-222/223 slowly making their way north (RON CYXY)
- B42 departed > L48 (RON KTN)
- Practice jump w/ J-90 for the boosters today

AIRSPACE/TFRs

4/0375 McDonald 4/2933 Deep 4/4936 Globe

SMOKEJUMPER

Anticipated smokejumpers available: ~ 22 ~ 91 SMKJ's committed

12 SMKJ Booster orders have been filled

Smokejumper Demobilizations

Yesterday: #245(FAS): 4; #213(TAD): 6

Planned for today: #252(UYD): 20; #259(UYD): 14

CREWS

- 3 AK contract crews committed and 6 available GACC
- North Starts available today
- Gannett Glacier on days off, available tomorrow 6/29

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 - Mobilizing 6/29, Crews filled: 2 - IHC, 2 - T2IA

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

OVERHEAD/TEAMS

- 80 pending overhead requests
- GB IMT 3 ID Team 1 Take over today for Central cluster: 252, 259, 184, 153, 262
- Vigor Complex (UYD) 253 (Globe), 248, 249- Ordered IMT3
- AKIMT3 ordered Rostering ongoing
- BUYT ordered

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 the Interior and South Central Alaska, with RH values into the low 20s and even upper teens.

Showers and thunderstorms will develop along the western and southern side of the high pressure system each afternoon and evening. It is likely that thunderstorms near the Al-Can border in the Interior will be dry over the next few days. Today, gusty easterly winds of 10 to 20 mph will develop across the northern Interior. This has led to Red Flag Warnings for Abundant Lightning and Hot, Dry, and Windy conditions across the northern Interior, and Abundant Lightning in the southern half of the central and eastern Interior for today. The Lightning warnings are likely to continue into Friday.

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. At this time, that event looks to be at least one week away.

Source: Alaska 7-Day Outlook

Fuels/Fire Potential

Very High and Extreme Fine Fuel Moisture Codes (FFMC) across the state means that fuels are receptive to ignitions, both human and natural. In addition, Initial Spread Indices across many areas are Very High to Extreme due to stronger winds in the forecast today. Winds will drop off today, but the 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 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

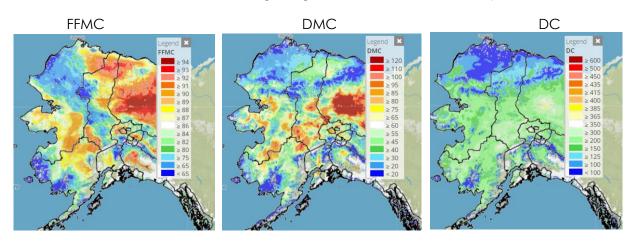
AKZ911-290800- South Slopes Of The Eastern Brooks Range-

...RED FLAG WARNING NOW IN EFFECT FROM 1 PM THIS AFTERNOON TO MIDNIGHT AKDT TONIGHT FOR LIGHTNING...

AKZ933-290800-Yukon Flats-

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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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