Alaska Interagency Coordination Center Situation Report
Monday - 06/30/2003

Preparedness Level 2

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New - AFS

B373
Lat: 67:00  Status: S/U  Acres: 1.0  Option: UNPLANN
Lon: 145:58  Date Started: 6/29/03  Area: UYD
Legal: 025.0N 008.00E  10  F  Date Out: Owner: NCA
Name: Marten Creek  Cause: Lightning  Admin:
Narrative: 1552 hrs.: The fire was called in by B-3 while en route to B371. Jumpship 05 was diverted from B371 to respond. Eight jumpers were deployed and Tanker 97 dropped retardant. Jumpship 12 made a paracargo run to supplement existing equipment on the fire. The jumpers were using pumps along the edge of the fire and could possibly be ready for demobilization tomorrow evening.

B371
Lat: 67:09  Status: U/U  Acres: 800.0  Option: UNPLANN
 Lon: 146:13  Date Started: 6/29/03  Area: UYD
Legal: 027.0N 002.00E  07  F  Date Out: Owner: NCA
Name: Cornucopia Creek  Cause: Lightning  Admin: Venetie
Narrative: 1320 hrs.: Jumpers and ASM B-3 were dispatched to a smoke report. Caravan 32WA was in the area and did not see a fire.
1449 hrs.: Commercial aircraft 900WA called in a smoke report to the east of the original coordinates and two loads of jumpers, air attack and retardant were ordered. Upon arrival, ASM B-3 reported the fire was already 300 acres and the decision was made to not commit resources.
J-05 was diverted to a new nearby fire along with tanker 97.
1905 hrs.: Surveillance aircraft 63E updated the acreage, reported flame lengths up to 10 feet and wind out of the southeast.

B370
Lat: 67:52  Status: U/U  Acres: 100.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 142:35  Date Started: 6/29/03  Area: UYD
Legal: 035.0N 023.00E  08  F  Date Out: Owner:
Name: Pass Creek  Cause: Lightning  Admin:
Narrative: Fire reported through Anchorage Center FAA. No information other than it was growing fast.

New - DOF

B372
Lat: 61:58  Status: S/C  Acres: 1.0  Option: FULL
Lon: 146:23  Date Started: 6/29/03  Area: CRS
Legal: 002N 006W  07  S  Date Out: Owner: NCA
Name: Mendeltna Creek  Cause: Human  Admin:
Narrative: A Local pilot reported a fire at the mouth of Mendeltna Creek running in driftwood and moving inland toward cabins which were in full protection. State Forestry Helitack responded and began structure protection. Flames had already reached one cabin when firefighters arrived. Supression efforts were hampered by heavy, dry fuels and winds off of Tazlina Lake. The fire was an abandoned camp fire left by rafters passing through the area.

301369
Lat: 61:34  Status: Out  Acres: 0.1  Option: CRITICAL
Lon: 149:45  Date Started: 6/29/03  Area: MSS
Legal: 017N 003W  13  S  Date Out: Owner: PRI
Name: Meadowood  Cause: Human  Admin:
Narrative: One Forestry engine reponded to a call from 9GB reporting a fully engulfed, 9000 square foot wooden structure spotting into the wildlands. Several spots were caught 300 yards away. Fire was extinguished and ANC helitack reconned the area. The wildfire was called out and turned over to the VFD’s on scene.

Active - AFS

AA38
Lat: 64:45  Status: RX  Acres: 165.0  Option: FULL
Lon: 147:12  Date Started: 6/24/03  Area: FCC
Legal: 002.0S 003.00E  20  F  Date Out: Owner:
Name: Chena Lakes Unit  Cause: Prescribed  Admin:
Crews mopped in from fire fire edge 50 feet, covering 80% of the perimeter. They were able to take advantage of the hot, dry weather and burn piles of material causing a potential threat to the fire line. The Chena crew left the fire and transferred to another assignment for the Upper Yukon zone (B299). The Nenana Crew remains. Due to weather conditions, Nenana is expected to remain on the burn for at least 3 or 4 days.

**Assigned Crews:**

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**Narrative:**

Chena

**Type 1**

**Released:** 6/29

Nenana

**Type 2**

**Released:** 6/26

**Assigned Crews:**

- **B366**
  - Lat: 67:52
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 250.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 159:17
  - Date Started: 6/27/03
  - Date Out: 6/27/03
  - Area: GAD
  - Owner: NPS
  - Name: Aklumayuak Creek
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: NOP
  - Narrative: The fire was not flown due to weather limitations.

- **B365**
  - Lat: 67:39
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 250.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 144:05
  - Date Started: 6/27/03
  - Date Out: 6/27/03
  - Area: UYD
  - Owner: FWS
  - Name: Sheenjek
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: ARC
  - Narrative: The fire was not monitored.

- **B360**
  - Lat: 65:32
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 15.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 151:30
  - Date Started: 6/26/03
  - Date Out: 6/26/03
  - Area: TAD
  - Owner: BLM
  - Name: Fleshlanana
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: NOD
  - Narrative: No Updates provided by Tanana Zone.

- **B359**
  - Lat: 65:35
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 50.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 151:20
  - Date Started: 6/26/03
  - Date Out: 6/26/03
  - Area: TAD
  - Owner: BLM
  - Name: Gishna
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: NOD
  - Narrative: 1745 hrs.: The fire was monitored by surveillance aircraft 309VS. The fire was 5% active in a pocket of heat on the west side and backing towards Gishna Creek.

- **B356**
  - Lat: 65:50
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 80.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 147:31
  - Date Started: 6/25/03
  - Date Out: 6/25/03
  - Area: UYD
  - Owner: BLM
  - Name: Bull Creek
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: NOD
  - Narrative: The fire was not monitored.

- **B355**
  - Lat: 68:58
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 1,000.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 162:52
  - Date Started: 6/25/03
  - Date Out: 6/25/03
  - Area: GAD
  - Owner: NCA
  - Name: Surprise Creek
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: YKF
  - Narrative: No updates provided by Galena Zone.

- **B346**
  - Lat: 66:52
  - Status: U/U
  - Acres: 3,000.0
  - Option: LIMITED
  - Legal: 147:17
  - Date Started: 6/24/03
  - Date Out: 6/24/03
  - Area: UYD
  - Owner: FWS
  - Name: Hadweenzie
  - Cause: Lightning
  - Admin: YKF
  - Narrative: 2005 hrs.: The fire was monitored by surveillance aircraft 63E en route from Venetie. The south edge of the fire has hit an old burn which has slowed the spread while the east side was backing and being shaded. Fuel constraints did not allow for mapping.
B342
Lat: 68:00  Status: U/U  Acres: 1,250.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 159:18  Date Started: 6/24/03  Area: GAD
Legal: 030.0N 003.00W 15 K  Date Out: 15
Name: Okolik Lake  Cause: Lightning  Admin: NOP
Narrative: Fire not flown due to poor weather.

B341
Lon: 150:31  Date Started: 6/24/03  Area: TAD
Legal: 022.0N 014.00W 26 F  Date Out: 15
Name: Bonanza Creek  Cause: Lightning  Admin: NOD
Narrative: 1830 hrs.: The fire was monitored by 309VS. There was no smoke.

B337
Lat: 64:32  Status: U/U  Acres: 5.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 155:23  Date Started: 6/23/03  Area: TAD
Legal: 011.0S 017.00E 24 K  Date Out: 15
Name: Scow Mountain  Cause: Lightning  Admin: Doyon
Narrative: The fire was not monitored.

B334
Lat: 66:36  Status: U/U  Acres: 123.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 148:09  Date Started: 6/23/03  Area: UYD
Legal: 020.0N 003.00W 03 F  Date Out: 15
Name: Hodzana  Cause: Lightning  Admin: YKF
Narrative: 2117 hrs.: Jumpship 12 passed by the fire and reported it was smoldering and bumping hardwoods.

B332
Lat: 67:18  Status: U/C  Acres: 1,303.0  Option: MODIFIED
Lon: 159:38  Date Started: 6/23/03  Area: GAD
Legal: 022.0N 004.00W 30 K  Date Out: 15
Name: Salmon River  Cause: Lightning  Admin: KOP
Narrative: Fire in monitor status, not flown today due to poor weather conditions.

B331
Lat: 64:50  Status: U/U  Acres: 650.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 152:41  Date Started: 6/22/03  Area: TAD
Legal: 001.0S 026.00W 36 F  Date Out: 15
Name: Big Mud  Cause: Lightning  Admin: NOD
Narrative: 1705 hrs.: Surveillance aircraft 9VS later reported the fire was 30% active with occasional torching in black spruce and 5-8 mph winds moving the fire slowly southeast. An old burn to the south of the fire should limit the fire’s spread in that direction as well as to the east.

B328
Lat: 65:58  Status: U/C  Acres: 463.0  Option: MODIFIED
Lon: 156:28  Date Started: 6/22/03  Area: GAD
Legal: 007.0N 011.00E 36 K  Date Out: 15
Name: Octopus Lake  Cause: Lightning  Admin: KUK
Narrative: Fire was not flown today due to poor weather conditions, remains in monitor status.

B327
Lat: 64:44  Status: U/U  Acres: 10.0  Option: LIMITED
Lon: 151:29  Date Started: 6/22/03  Area: TAD
Legal: 002.0S 019.00W 21 F  Date Out: 15
Name: Cosna River  Cause: Lightning  Admin: L&W
Narrative:
1648 hrs.: The fire was monitored by surveillance aircraft 309VS. There were interior smokes in the same area as previous flights, with no change in acreage.

**B305**
- **Lat:** 66:24
- **Status:** U/U
- **Acres:** 37,000.0
- **Option:** LIMITED
- **Lon:** 158:22
- **Date Started:** 6/18/03
- **Legal:** 011.0N 002.00E
- **Date Out:**
- **Name:** Kerulu Creek
- **Cause:** Lightning
- **Admin:** SWK

Narrative: Fire not flown today due to poor weather conditions. Fire remains in monitor status.

**B299**
- **Lat:** 65:52
- **Status:** S/U
- **Acres:** 94,936.0
- **Option:** LIMITED
- **Lon:** 148:59
- **Date Started:** 6/17/03
- **Legal:** 010.0N 007.00W
- **Date Out:**
- **Name:** Erickson Creek
- **Cause:** Lightning
- **Admin:** L&W

Narrative: 2020 hrs.: The fire was flown by detection aircraft 309VS. The fire is now burning into the Lost Creek drainage and burning to the west. The eastern flank was too smokey to map but a column was evident on the southeast side. Chena Hotshot crew ordered for site protection at the Lost Creek Pad Bridge.

**B296**
- **Lat:** 65:35
- **Status:** U/C
- **Acres:** 1,473.0
- **Option:** FULL
- **Lon:** 144:46
- **Date Started:** 6/17/03
- **Legal:** 009.0N 014.00E
- **Date Out:**
- **Name:** Albert Creek
- **Cause:** Lightning
- **Admin:** L&W

Assigned Crews:
- Chena IHC
- Type 1
- Assigned: 6/30

**B361**
- **Lat:** 64:01
- **Status:** S/C
- **Acres:** 5.0
- **Option:** LIMITED
- **Lon:** 148:23
- **Date Started:** 6/26/03
- **Legal:** 012S 003.00E
- **Date Out:**
- **Name:** Lignite Creek
- **Cause:** Human
- **Admin:** L&W

Active - DOF

**B31361**
- **Lat:** 64:52
- **Status:** U/U
- **Acres:** 200.0
- **Option:** LIMITED
- **Lon:** 145:26
- **Date Started:** 6/25/03
- **Legal:** 001N 011E
- **Date Out:**
- **Name:** Teuchet
- **Cause:** Lightning
- **Admin:** L&W
The fire was flown and it was 50% active with torching on the south flank and backing down the slope. The fire appears to have natural barriers on the ridgetops to the north and west, with adjacent fuels of sparsely black spruce. The nearest structure on the map, 001S O12E NWNE SEC 23 located at the confluence of Gold Creek and the North fork of the Salcha River, was not located during the flight due to heavy smoke in the area. The fire has increased in size to 200 acres.

### Bibliographic Information

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**Legal:** 017N 013E 13 C  
**Date Started:** 6/24/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** U/C  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Area:** TAS  
**Admin:**  
**Assigned Crews:**
- Copper River #1  
- Delta I  
- Fairbanks I  
- Midnight Sun  
- Northstars  
- St. Michaels  
- Tazlina

**Option:** FULL

### Narrative

6/29 Fire is in monitor status.

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**Name:** Pipe Creek  
**Legal:** 003N 006W 01 S  
**Date Started:** 6/14/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** U/U  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Area:** KKS  
**Admin:** KNA

**Option:** MODIFIED

**Narrative:** No report on this fire from KNWR, still on monitor status.

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**Name:** Ptarmigan  
**Legal:** 005N 004E 24 F  
**Date Started:** 6/14/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** U/C  
**Cause:** Human  
**Area:** FAS  
**Admin:** PRI

**Option:** FULL

**Narrative:** The fire was flown and there were no smokes showing.

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**Name:** SAND CREEK  
**Legal:** 007S 013E 33 F  
**Date Started:** 6/14/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** S/U  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Area:** DAS  
**Admin:** STA

**Option:** FULL

**Assigned Crews:**
- Copper River #1  
- Delta I  
- Fairbanks I  
- Midnight Sun  
- Northstars  
- St. Michaels  
- Tazlina

**Narrative:** Four crews were demobilized. Excess equipment along Goodpaster is still being removed. Securing the perimeter between Sand Creek and Liscum Slough continues. Fire activity was minimal after the previous night’s showers. Fire is creeping in pockets of spruce & hardwoods along the Southwest perimeter, along the west flank, and within islands of fuel in the interior of the fire. The plans for 6/30 are to assess structures at Volkmar Lake and transfer to Type 3 organization.

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**Name:** Porcupine  
**Legal:** 003S 015E 13 F  
**Date Started:** 6/14/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** U/U  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Area:** L&W  
**Admin:**

**Option:** LIMITED

**Narrative:** The fire was flown and there were no smokes showing.

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**Name:** LEFT BANK  
**Legal:** 027S 023E 21 K  
**Date Started:** 6/13/03  
**Date Out:**  
**Status:** U/C  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Area:** SWS  
**Admin:** NCA

**Option:** FULL

**Narrative:** Remains in monitor status. Fire not flown today.
**B202**  
Name: Tok River  
Status: U/C  
Acres: 5,595.0  
Date Started: 5/27/03  
Date Out: 5/27/03  
Cause: Human  
Owner: NCA  
Admin:  
Narrative: 6/29 Fire is in monitor status.

**B197**  
Name: Rex Bridge  
Status: U/C  
Acres: 1,500.0  
Date Started: 5/26/03  
Date Out: 5/26/03  
Cause: Human  
Owner: PRI  
Admin:  
Narrative: The fire was flown and there were no smokes showing.

**Out - AFS**

**B368**  
Name: Kantishna  
Status: Out  
Acres: 0.5  
Date Started: 6/28/03  
Date Out: 6/29/03  
Cause: Lightning  
Owner: STA  
Admin: L&W  
Narrative: The fire was declared out and demobed by helicopter 920. The final size was 0.5 acres.