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Alaska Incident Management Team

Lime Complex Daily Update

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The Lime Complex consists of eight staffed fires and ten unstaffed fires. The total size of the combined fires is 602,010 acres. There are 275 resources assigned to the complex.

<u>Highlights</u>: The Alaska Green Team assumed command of the complex at 7:00 AM this morning. Rising temperatures and dropping humidity contributed to fire growth in several places across the planning area yesterday, including fire #240 and #239. Smoke continues to impact visibility and slow the operational pace. Structure and point protection remain the focus of firefighting resources. Aerial resources are being utilized to support crews on the ground. All unstaffed fires are monitored by air for growth and potential threats to values at risk.

<u>Weather:</u> Red Flag conditions are expected across the fire areas today with hot, dry, and windy conditions. Increased afternoon winds from 15-20 mph are expected. Morning smoke is expected to move out of the fire area with increased winds. Temperatures will be in the mid 70s-80s. RH values will range from 20s to 30s. There is a slight chance of an afternoon thunderstorm east of Lime Village.

Staffed Fires in the Complex

North Point Protection Group consists of the South Lime Lake Fire (#190)/Swift River Fire (#228), Door Mountain Fire (#244), Door Creek Fire (#273) and the Hook Creek Fire (#188) - The North Point Protection Group is implementing structure protection measures around structures north of Fire #228 in the Lyman area, near Stony River Lodge and around Trout and Tundra Lakes. The Winema Hotshots, along with Malheur Rappelers began defensive firing operations last night to remove fuels near identified values at risk.

Pike Creek (#239)/Koktuli River (#240) - 196,312 combined acres, Lightning start. The fire is 35 miles north of Iguigig. Fire modules are working north and east from Jason's Corner, implementing hose lays and sprinkler systems around identified sites in the area. Firefighters are working to identify areas with greater potential for fire spread where continuous fuels align with values at risk. Fire bosses continue to deliver water drops to the fire perimeter along the Mulchatna River to assist ground resources and protect identified cabin sites.

Aghaluk Mountain (#206) - 116,309 acres, Lightning start, point protection and structure protection are ongoing. The fire remains 51 miles east of Aniak. Resources from this fire are providing support to fire #228 as well as planning for future threats in the area.

The <u>Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR)</u> remains in place over the southern portion of the planning area near Lake Iliamna. Aerial water drops and logistical air support will remain very active in this area as long as smoke and weather allow for safe flying. Ten Fire Boss planes are working out of Lake Iliamna, as well as helicopters and other aircraft in the area. Please avoid this airspace for public and firefighter safety.

Unstaffed Fires

Dummy Creek Fire (#247) \sim 178 acres; Cabin Creek Fire (#193) \sim 74 acres; Gagaryah River Fire (#197) \sim 35,652 acres; Kiknik Fire (245) \sim 45,734 acres; Maka Creek Fire (#207) \sim 1 acre; Nushagak River Fire (#189) \sim 10 acres; Stony River Fire (#198) \sim 36,329 acres; Telaquana River Fire (#216) \sim 7,791 acres; Titnuk Creek Fire (#246) \sim 53,290 acres; Upper Talarik (#205) \sim 5,644 acres

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