Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry & Fire Protection

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 765,691 acres and there are 191 resources assigned to the complex. Each of these fires were caused by lightning. All unstaffed fires are monitored for growth and potential threats to identified values.

<u>Highlights</u>: Structure protection measures continue to be deployed and firefighters implement pre-planned defensive actions as necessary for values at risk. Temperatures and RH values will moderate today and tomorrow with a slight chance of rain. Expect fire activity to moderate as well, providing opportunity to bolster defenses, expand reconnaissance for additional values at risk, and stay ahead of any future fire growth.

<u>Weather:</u> Some moisture was observed yesterday over the fires in the southwest portion of the planning area. That front will gradually move eastward today bringing a chance of rain into the eastern fires along with increased cloud cover. Winds will remain out of the south and southeast from 8-10 mph and temperatures will decrease with highs in the 60s.

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) – 187,199 combined acres. Mop up of the defensive firing operations completed earlier this week to protect structures north of Fire #228 will be completed today. The remaining personnel and equipment will be pulled out and reassigned. Six Fire Boss planes supported crews with water drops on the Door Mountain Fire yesterday and will continue this morning. Firefighters in the Lyman and the Lime Village areas, as well as near Stony River, Trout Lake and Tundra Lake continue to reinforce control lines and improve structure protection measures, implementing pre-planned defensive actions as values become threatened.

Pike Creek (#239)/Koktuli River (#240) – 271,117 combined acres, Lightning start. The fire is 35 miles north of Iguigig. Resources remain in place along the Mulchatna River, continuing to provide site protection with sprinklers and hose lays. Firefighters secure fire edge where necessary and mop up to protect values at risk. Supported by UAS and aerial assets, crews are extending reconnaissance further north and south to identify and prepare to protect additional values at risk.

Aghaluk Mountain (#206) – 115,620 acres, Lightning start, point protection and structure protection are ongoing. The fire remains 51 miles east of Aniak. Resources from this fire continue to provide 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 remain active in this area when smoke and weather allow for safe flying. Fire Boss planes are working out of Lake Iliamna, as well as helicopters and other aircraft providing support to firefighting resources on the ground. Please avoid this airspace for public and firefighter safety.

Unstaffed Fires

Dummy Creek Fire (#247) \sim 179 acres; Cabin Creek Fire (#193) \sim 74 acres; Gagaryah River Fire (#197) \sim 37,951 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 38,738 acres; Telaquana River Fire (#216) \sim 7,791 acres; Titnuk Creek Fire (#246) \sim 53,291 acres; Upper Talarik (#205) \sim 7,986 acres

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