



Lime Complex Daily Update

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The Lime Complex consists of two staffed fires and sixteen unstaffed fires. The total size of the combined fires is 829,629 acres, and there are 155 resources assigned to the complex, an area covering 21 million acres. Each of these fires was caused by lightning. All unstaffed fires are monitored for growth and potential threats to identified values.

Highlights: Yesterday the rest of the National Park Service fire crew demobilized from Iliamna and returned to Palmer. Air Operations conducted seven flights between Palmer and various locations, delivering and retrieving supplies. A DC-3 picked up seven pallets of gear in Aniak, totaling approximately 14,000 pounds of supplies including four miles of hose, pumps, and other firefighting equipment. Much of the work conducted yesterday in terms of mopping up and assessments will continue today. Fires 189, 193, 205, 245, and 246 will all be flown today to check for activity.

Weather/Fire behavior: The Aghaluk Mountain fire (#206) received several hours of rain yesterday morning, and the previously spotted smoke plume/hot spot were no longer visible during an afternoon flight. It is going to be warm and dry across the complex today, with occasionally gusty winds, meaning it will be a moderate to active fire day. Highs will be near 80, with relative humidity values near 30%. Additionally, new fires may start to pop up from lightning strikes experienced during the last few days of rain and thunderstorms. However, shower activity is forecasted to return Tuesday and Wednesday.

Staffed Fires in the Complex

Door Mountain Fire (#244) – 104,929 acres. Fire Boss aircraft were able to drop water around Lime yesterday, and Malheur Rappel crew and Galice Wildland Fire Module will continue to mop up around the Lime Village burnout today. The Garden Valley and Idaho Panhandle crews will work on the fire’s eastern flank, near Trout and Tundra Lakes.

Pike Creek (#239)/Koktuli River (#240) – 293,970 combined acres. Grande Ronde crew was working yesterday to protect a cabin on the north side of the fire. Today the air operations team will attempt to insert more folks on the ground north of the Koktuli River to assess some areas not previously visited. The Burns Helitack Module will work in the Koktuli River drainage to gain access on food to several allotments that have not yet been cold-trailed.

The **Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR)** 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 now staged in McGrath but may be working out of waterways in the Iliamna and Lime Village areas. Helicopters and other aircraft providing support to firefighting resources on the ground will also be working in the area. Please avoid this airspace for public and firefighter safety. **Remember—the fire area is a no-fly zone for private drones—if you fly we can’t.**

Unstaffed Fires in Monitor Status

Dummy Creek Fire (#247) ~ 179 acres; **Cabin Creek Fire (#193)** ~ 74 acres; **Gagaryah River Fire (#197)** ~ 38,910 acres; **Kiknik Fire (245)** ~ 45,734 acres; **Maka Creek Fire (#207)** ~ 2 acre; **Nushagak River Fire (#189)** ~ 10 acres; **Stony River Fire (#198)** ~ 40,419 acres; **Telaquana River Fire (#216)** ~ 7,791 acres; **Titnuk Creek Fire (#246)** ~ 53,291 acres; **Upper Talarik (#205)** ~ 7,986 acres; **South Lime Lake Fire (#190)/Swift River Fire (#228)** ~ 88,502; **Door Creek Fire (#273)** ~ 28,528 acres; **Hook Creek Fire (#188)** ~ 4,275; **Aghaluk Mountain (#206)** ~ 115,029