



Middle Tanana Complex

Friday, July 15, 2022

Daily Update 9:00 am



Total Acres: 57,993 - Yukon Creek (12,489), Marshall Mountain (0.3), Central Creek (4,050), Central Creek Airstrip (6,978), Porcupine Creek (12,391), South Fork (3,785), Gold Hub (16,062), California Creek (700), Gilles Creek (1,538)

Start Date: Various | **Cause:** Lightning

Location: Northeast of Delta Junction | **Fuels:** Timber, grass, understory, and brush

Highlights: Rains across the Middle Tanana Complex have reduced activity on the fires burning in the areas of Shaw Creek, Salcha, and Goodpaster rivers. Evacuation notices are reduced to Level 1 "Ready" for all areas in the complex, including the unincorporated areas near Delta Junction. Property owners are advised to stay alert as a change in fire activity may cause a change in evacuation status.

A virtual public meeting will be held tonight, Friday, July 15, at 7:30 pm. It will be broadcast on the local KDHS Radio 95.5 FM and recorded and posted to the [AK DNR Division of Forestry Facebook](#) page after the meeting. The recording link will be available on the incident's InciWeb page <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8201/>.

Operations: The smokejumpers came off the Salcha River yesterday. The Spotted Bear wildland fire module is continuing to monitor and improve structure protection efforts, checking pumps, hoses, and sprinkler systems along the river corridor.

Along Shaw Creek Road towards the Pogo Mine, the Yukon wildland fire module is monitoring and patrolling the area and ensuring the power lines and travel to the mine remain unaffected.

Near the South Fork Fire along the lower Goodpaster River corridor, the Kaniksu wildland fire module will continue implementing structure protection around cabins and buildings on the north side from river mile 26 to the confluence with the South Fork Goodpaster River.

The Porcupine, Gilles, Marshall Mountain, and California Creek fires are being monitored.

Evacuations: The following locations are in **READY** status: The residents off the road system and recreational cabins in the Lower Salcha River, Middle Salcha River, and Upper Salcha River Zones; along the Goodpaster River from river mile 0 to river mile 8.6, and river mile 8.6 to river mile 33.9; from the confluence with the South Fork Goodpaster River to Seven Mile Creek; the group of cabins along the Goodpaster River at the mouth of Central Creek; Shaw Creek Road and the Pogo Mine area.

Weather: A trough will move across the state tonight, bringing rain back to the complex. Rain on the fires is expected to begin this evening. Today, temperatures will be in the mid-60s and minimum relative humidity in the 30s. The extended weather forecast remains above average for moisture with below average temperatures.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: Temporary Flight Restrictions are in place over the Gold Hub Fire. Flight restrictions are for any aircraft, including drones. If you fly, we can't!

Smoke: Visit <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook/fba6a113> for the current Smoke Outlook for Interior Alaska.

Fire Information:

Fire Information Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM

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