



Middle Tanana Complex

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Daily Update 9:00 am



Total Acres: 60,861 - Yukon Creek (12,489), Marshall Mountain (0.3), Central Creek (6,339), Central Creek Airstrip (6,978), Porcupine Creek (12,391), South Fork (3,785), Gold Hub (16,062), California Creek (700), Gilles Creek (2,117)

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

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

Highlights: This will be the last fire update from the Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team (Mike Almas, Incident Commander) that has managed the Middle Tanana Complex since July 6. A Type 3 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team (Josh Bransford, Incident Commander), will assume command of the complex on Monday, July 18, 2022, at 8:00 am.

The change in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

Operations: The structure protection mission along the Salcha river corridor is complete. Pumps, hose lays, and sprinklers will remain in place until the threat from the Yukon Creek Fire has passed. If fire activity increases, crews will return to start pumps and monitor sprinkler systems.

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

The Kaniksu wildland fire module completed its structure protection mission on the north side of the Goodpaster River corridor. They will boat and fly out today. Pumps, hose lays, and sprinklers will remain in place. If South Fork Fire activity increases, crews will return to start pumps and monitor sprinkler systems.

The Porcupine, Gilles, Marshall Mountain, and California Creek fires are in monitor status.

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 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: On Saturday, the temperatures surrounding the fire area were in the mid-60s, while relative humidity remained above 50%. Variable winds were gusting around ten mph. Today, temperatures will again be in the 60's with relative humidity above 50%. Isolated showers will increase in the afternoon and evening.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: There are no temporary flight restrictions over the fire area.

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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