



Minto Lakes Fire

Tuesday July 19, 2022
Daily Update



Acres: 37,554 acres | **Containment:** 53% | **Total personnel:** 110
Start Date: June 21, 2022 | **Cause:** Lightning | **Location:** Located between Washington Creek and the Chatanika River **Fuels:** Hardwoods and hardwood litter, timber, black spruce

Highlights: Dedicated work by firefighters has resulted in an evacuation downgrade for the Chatanika River Corridor to a level 1 (Ready) Status. The areas of heat left in the deep duff still require significant wetting rain to be fully extinguished. Back hauling of unneeded equipment is expected to be completed today. Repair work has been finished in many areas of the fire and crews will continue working to complete it.

Future updates will continue to be posted online. For any information needs please call the Joint Information Center at (907) 356-5511 or for more information visit: <https://www.facebook.com/AK.Forestry/> | akfireinfo.com/

Operations: The fire activity remains diminished with a few spots of heat in black spruce stringers, large diameter logs and in deep duff. Consistent moist weather conditions and hard work has enabled resources to achieve incident objectives. The footprint of the fire is nearly secured. Heavy equipment is repairing the dozer line that was put in place to protect the communities east of the fire. Structure preparation work has been completed, among the communities of Himilaya and Hayes Creek and un-needed supplies are being removed. Along the Chatanika river moving west from the communities of the Himilaya/Hayes Creek assessments along the river, as well as the structure group around the Murphy Dome area have been completed and logged for later use.



Evacuations: For the Fairbanks North Star Borough Emergency Operations evacuation map. Follow the FNSB Government Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/FNSBGov>) for updates and notifications. Receive FNSB Emergency Alerts via text message by texting: FNSBWildFire2022 to 67283. <https://tinyurl.com/MintoLakes>. Follow the FNSB Government Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/FNSBGov>) for updates and notifications. Receive FNSB Emergency Alerts via text message by texting: FNSBWildFire2022 to 67283.

Weather: Up to a quarter inch of rain is expected to fall on the fire by mid-day. Temperatures will be in the mid-40s. Minimum humidity will be in the 60 to 70 percent range or higher. Winds will be lighter at 5-10 mph at all elevations with some gusts to 15 mph over the ridgetops.

Closures: State of Alaska, Emergency Burn Closure was lifted as of July 14, 2022, at 9 am please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ypwpm7y> for more information.

The Alaska Bureau of Land Management has issued fire prevention orders

- [Fire Prevention Order AK020-22-002](#), issued June 25, 2022, for federal lands administered by the Fairbanks District Office, including the Central Yukon and Eastern Interior Field Offices.
 - [Fairbanks District Office Boundary Map](#)
- [Fire Prevention Order AK020-22-001](#), issued June 6, 2022, for federal lands in the Gilmore Trail and Gold Run Creek area near Fairbanks, including the NOAA facility on the Steese Highway.
 - [Fire Prevention Order AK020-22-001 map](#)

<https://akfireinfo.com/> or call the Fairbanks District Office at 907-474-2200. Alaska State Parks has closed the Whitefish Lake Campground and boat ramp.

Smoke: Visit <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke> for information about the latest Alaska smoke conditions. <https://www.facebook.com/AK.Forestry/> | akfireinfo.com/