

Riley Fire Update





Fire Information: 2024.Riley@firenet.gov

432 acres, 100% contained, 137 personnel

Saturday, July 13th, 2024

Riley Fire Reaches 100% Containment

HEALY, Alaska – Firefighters have closed the remaining small gap in the fire line, and it is now at 100% containment. Today's work will be to ensure that a 300-foot buffer around the perimeter is free of any remaining hot spots. Additionally, fire line rehabilitation measures, such as water diversion bars along the fires edge have been completed. Smoke may be visible within the interior of the fire, especially with increased southerly winds anticipated today.

Normal operations remain in effect at Denali National Park and Preserve. Denali National Park Tours Doyon/Aramark Joint Venture and the National Park Service have welcomed visitors back. Some areas, however, are closed due to firefighting support activities.

Area closures include:

- Riley Creek Campground
- Riley Creek Day Use Area
- Horseshoe Lake Trail
- Mt. Healy Overlook Trail

Trail and campground closures are expected to re-open in the coming days pending firefighting activity completion. Visit the <u>Denali National Park and Preserve</u> website for additional information. The incident information line will no longer be active starting today, for fire information contact Denali National Park at: 907-683-9532, 9 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., daily.

Weather: Southerly winds will continue Saturday, averaging 20 MPH and gusting to 30 MPH. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Fire Investigation: The National Park Service is requesting information from anyone who may have witnessed the initial stages of the Riley Fire, specifically between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 30, 2024. Anyone who was in the vicinity of the Horseshoe Lake Trail, Mt. Healy Trail, Sugarloaf Trail, or on the southbound passenger train during that time and has information relating to the fire should contact the *Tip Line* at 888-653-0009.

Evacuations: All evacuation statuses have been lifted.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: A temporary flight restriction (TFR) remains in place over the Riley Fire until July 19th but has been modified. The Denali air strip remains closed to public use. Find more information at: <u>4/7281 NOTAM Details</u> (faa.gov).