



Anaconda Creek & West Fork Fires

Fire Information 907-378-7181

Fire Update – Sunday July 5, 2015

Rob Allen, Incident Commander

Firefighters focused their efforts on containment of the Anaconda Creek Fire and completing a contingency line south of the fire yesterday. Despite the increased temperature and lower relative humidity, there was no increase in fire activity. The West Fork Fire continues to be monitored, but is showing no signs of smoke.

Yesterday's warming trend will continue through Monday and temperatures are likely to approach 90 degrees. Relative humidity values could drop to 20 percent, but will remain higher in shaded areas. Moisture is expected to return to the area beginning Tuesday with a forecast for wetting rains by the end of the week.

Management of the Anaconda Creek Fire will transition to a Type 3 fire organization on Monday, July 6 at 8:00 a.m. The Type 3 organization will be shadowing the Alaska Type 2 Team today for a smooth transfer of command. Crews will continue building containment lines on the southern edge of the Anaconda Creek Fire today. Remaining crews will return to the contingency line to improve work completed by dozers yesterday. Fire personnel and equipment, including helicopters, will continue to operate on Chena Hot Springs Road between Two Rivers Elementary (MP 19) and Twin Bears Camp (MP 30). Please drive with caution in the area.

Closures remain in effect for all trails north of Chena Hot Springs Road in the Chena River State Recreation Area. All trails south of Chena Hot Springs Road are open. Chena Hot Springs and local businesses also remain open. For more information about closures please contact Brooks Ludwig at (907) 451-2698, or brooks.ludwig@alaska.gov.

Temporary flight restriction (TFR) is in effect over the Anaconda Creek Fire. The West Fork TFR has been lifted. Pilots are advised to visit www.pilotweb.nas.faa.gov to view these Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs), and additional TFRs also in place across Alaska.

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4321/>

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Quick Facts Incident Summary	
Approximate Acreage	Anaconda: 1091 acres West Fork: 231 acres
Fire Containment	Anaconda: 68 % West Fork: 100 %
Incident Commander	Rob Allen
Start Date	June 20, 2015
Cause	Lightning
Total Personnel	246
Structures Lost	0
Jurisdiction	Alaska Division of Forestry
Cooperators	Fairbanks North Star Borough, Alaska State Troopers, Bureau of Indian Affairs