



## SOUTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM #5

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### AGGIE CREEK FIRE UPDATE

Thursday July 16, 2015 AM

**Acres:** 31,885  
**Cause:** Lightning  
**Containment:** 44%  
**Total personnel:** 422

**Start Date:** June 22, 2015  
**Location:** 30 miles NW of Fairbanks, AK  
**Fuels/Topography:** Timber, grass/rugged terrain

**Yesterday:** For the second day, there was no new growth on the fire. Crews continued mop-up of existing fire perimeter line to extinguish any remaining heat near the fire line. The fire continued to hold heat and smolder in interior pockets of previously unburned timber.

**Today:** The fire is predicted to receive warmer, dryer winds off of the Alaska Range today. With higher temperatures and lower humidity, fire managers will remain vigilant and continue active mop-up work. Sprinkler systems in nearby neighborhoods will continue to be removed as needed. The fire is expected to continue creeping and smoldering internally.

**Smoke:** Residual smoke from interior smoldering forest fuels may impact local areas in the Elliott Highway area. Caution is recommended.

**Closure:** None. The area closure for the White Mountain National Recreation Area has been lifted. For full details please visit: <http://akfireinfo.com/>

#### **Fire Information:**

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