

Dalton Highway Complex Update

California Interagency Incident Management Team 14

Monday, July 25, 2022



Firefighters on the **Idaho Bar Fire (#555)** finished mopping up the two interior hotspots as well as 200-feet in from the fire perimeter. Crews are continuing to return of excess equipment and supplies from the fireline and the village of Rampart to the supply cache in Fairbanks.

The Unmanned Aerial System (UAS), or drone, detected two hotspots over the **Prospect Fire (#494)**, while the **MM125 Fire (#441)** continued to show no heat. The UAS collects images and infrared data that help firefighters determine how much surface heat remains in the burned areas of the fire areas in the complex.

Firefighters will finish scouting the perimeter of the **Gold Pan Fire (#565)**. As weather permits, aircraft will fly information-gathering missions while also assisting with removing tools and equipment from the various fires.

The **Fish Fire (##319)**, **Little Salt Fire (#521)**, **Milepost Fire (#317)**, **Montana Gulch Fire (#556)**, **Prospect Fire (#494)**, and **Tozitna Fire (#543)** have all been fully contained.

Dalton Highway Complex (89,100 acres): The acreage total includes all 17 fires in the Dalton Highway Complex. The largest or most active fires in the complex are:

- **Douglas Fire (#336):** 23,124 acres, located on both sides of the Dalton Highway between MP 141 and MP 149
- **Fort Hamlin Hills Fire (#562):** 615 acres, located on the Dalton Highway between MP 70 and MP 73
- **Gold Pan Fire (#565):** 38 acres, located south of Rampart
- **Huron Fire (#372):** 18,822 acres, located between Rampart and the Dalton Highway
- **Idaho Bar Fire (#555):** 112 acres, located 4.5 miles southeast of Rampart
- **MM 125 Fire (#441):** 2,986 acres, located between MP 121 and MP 125 on the Dalton Highway
- **Troublesome Fire (#359):** 13,282 acres, located 11.5 miles east of Rampart

Fire Weather: Winds will increase across the Interior Monday. A strong cold front shifts east Monday evening bringing chances of wetting rain to the Upper Koyukuk Valley. The area east of Fairbanks will have more scattered shower activity due to the downslope flow.

Closures: Arctic Circle Campground is closed due to firefighting activity. The Arctic Circle Wayside (sign location) is open.

Public Safety: When driving on the Dalton Highway, use caution, have patience with the firefighting effort, and always drive with headlights on. The road is narrow; pulling over to stop on the shoulder is discouraged.

Contact Information: 2022.daltonhighwaycomplex@firenet.gov, 907-921-2547 (8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily)

For a complete list of the fires in the Dalton Highway Complex, visit inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8240. For information on all the fires in Alaska, visit akfireinfo.com.