



Sinnott Fire Update

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Firefighters taking measures to protect properties, Eagle from Sinnott Fire

Size: 1,000 acres	Personnel: 41	Start Date: July 21, 2024	Cause: Lightning
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FAIRBANKS, Alaska – Firefighters are installing protection measures for structures along Mission Creek and the community of Eagle while monitoring the Sinnott Fire. This fire, burning in steep terrain about 4 miles northwest of Eagle, has recently moved toward the Yukon River and the Boulder Creek drainage, following a push south near the Lost Creek drainage.

The community's masticator, usually used for creating proactive fire breaks, is re-opening dozer lines from previous efforts near American Creek north of Eagle. The Yukon Crew is using saws to cut the fire break at the northern end of American Creek where the masticator cannot operate due to thick brush and trees. The fire break will be about 2.5 miles long when complete.

The Denali Wildland Fire Module is focused on property 2 miles south of the fire, setting up a sprinkler system and clearing brush just south of Mission Creek. The Yukon Crew and Denali Wildland Fire Module are both Chugachmiut fire teams based in the Kenai Peninsula.

Firefighters will continue to assess other properties and Native allotments to identify additional sites that might need protection from the fire and come up with a plan to protect them.

Weather Forecast: It will be another hot day with temperatures around 87°F. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms may bring gusty, erratic winds near the fire area. There is only a 10% chance of enough rain to soak the ground. Humidity will be around 40%, with light westerly winds at 5 mph, and southwest winds on the ridgelines shifting to the south in the afternoon. Higher humidity, cooler temperatures, and scattered showers are expected for the weekend.

Status of the Dome Fire near the Taylor Highway: The Dome Fire (#386) burning west of the Taylor Highway near mile 117 should be considered contained and controlled Friday afternoon. The Alaska Division of Forestry & Fire Protection helicopter, engine crew and firefighters working on the fire will then return to Tok. The 3-acre fire is still considered active, but fire managers are confident it will stay within its control lines. However, motorists may still see smoke coming from this wildfire burning next to the highway.

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