Fire Update

BLM Alaska Fire Service
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## Crews depart Tlozhavun Fire after hard work yields 100% containment and complete extinguishment

Firefighters on the Tlozhavun Fire have completely controlled and suppressed the 22-acre fire 10 miles south of Fort Yukon and will transition off the incident to support other firefighting efforts. Steady progress on Ptarmigan Complex fires continued Tuesday, including the removal of structure protection equipment because fire is no longer posing a threat to the cabin. Fire managers will continue to watch for and be ready to respond to new starts in northeastern Alaska as warmer, drier weather is expected in the coming days, particularly in the Yukon Flats.

**Tlozhavun Fire** (#448) – As of Tuesday, the Tlozhavun Fire is 100% contained and completely extinguished. Crews removed hose and other suppression equipment from the fire after thorough griding resulted in no detection of residual heat. All 35 fire personnel will be flown out today having achieved goal of full suppression. The fire will no longer be staffed but will continue to be monitored using aircraft and satellite heat detection sensors. The Tlozhavun Fire was discovered 10 miles south of Fort Yukon on July 13.

**Ptarmigan Complex** – Incident management reported Tuesday that 26% of the fire perimeter is contained, meaning firefighters have established a control line around that part of the fire to keep it from spreading. As fire activity moderates, a resource advisor (READ) for the complex is developing a plan to address suppression damage, post-fire stabilization, and longer-term restoration that can help guide crew work over the coming days.

- Alaska Range Suppression Module and Crow Peak Wildland Fire Module extinguished significant heat they discovered while continuing to secure the north edge of the **Turtle Fire** (#243) on Tuesday.
- Fire personnel also removed hoses and other structure protection equipment from the Buckley Bar Cabin after determining it was no longer threatened by the **Buckley Bar Fire** (#264).
- Today, the Crow Peak Wildland Fire Module plans to evaluate smoke coming from the Alligator Fire (#265).
- The Type 4 management team assigned to the Ptarmigan Complex continues to monitor other fires within the complex including the **Birch Fire** (#256) and the **Ikheenjik Fire** (#242).

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