

Northern New Mexico Type 3 Incident Management Team

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Roundabout Complex Update - July 14, 2025

HUSLIA, AK – The **Moldy Fire (#279)** remains the only active fire within the Roundabout Complex, now totaling 73,185 acres. Extreme fire behavior on both the north and south ends of the fire resulted in an increase of about 10,000 acres yesterday. No changes to evacuation levels and no firefighter injuries or accidents were reported.

Moldy Fire (#279) – Fire crews continue to conduct defensive protection measures for Alaska Native allotments along the Huslia and Koyukuk Rivers, and improve access points and defensible lines. An extended dry spell over the past 18 days persists, challenging firefighting efforts. Possible wetting rain is forecasted for this week. Crews are utilizing aircraft to reinforce retardant line and reduce the threat to a communication tower serving Huslia, while keeping the fire west and north of the Koyukuk River. Northern New Mexico Type 3 IMT will be transferring command of the Roundabout Complex to an Alaskan Team later this week.

Caribou Fire (#128), Richards Fire (#251), Billy Hawk Fire (#182), and Billy Hawk 2 Fire (#191) – No changes reported. All four fires remain in monitor status with no new activity.

Start date: June 15, 2025 Cause: Lightning Size: 73,185 acres Completion: 11%

Resources: 3 Type 1 hand crews, 1 Medic, 22 Overhead Total personnel: 97

Fuels: Black Spruce, Tussock, Mixed wood, and Hardwood

Values at risk: The Village of Huslia, Alaska Native Allotments, Infrastructure

Smoke: As dry weather continues and fire increases in size and activity, smoke may be visible from and impact the Village of Huslia. Smoke sensitive populations with specific health issues should limit outside activities during periods of smoke impacts.

Safety: The health and safety of the public and our firefighters is always the highest priority of the Northern New Mexico IMT.