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## Alaska National Parks Wildland Fire Information

### Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve June 18, 2012 @ 11:30 AM

Surprise... Due to more accurate mapping, a wildfire that ignited just outside the park on June 8, 2012 in fact is located inside "the boot" of Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve. Flying detection (looking for and mapping fires via a helicopter or plane) can be a tough job due to huge sometimes homogenous landscapes, technology, long hours, and fire activity. Interagency wildland fire managers work together to keep Alaskans and firefighters safe and landscapes healthy.

#### Lockwood Hills 2 – ref#191

- Located 110 miles southwest of Bettles, 38 miles southeast of Kobuk, and south of the Kobuk River
- 60 acres
- Lightning-caused on 6/8/12
- No fire activity observed on 6/17/12
- Alaska Fire Service will monitor the fire by mapping it from the air and documenting fire behavior.

Wildfire is a natural process in the boreal forest. It's nature's way of renewing and revitalizing the forest.

Read the most up to date fire information at  
<http://www.nps.gov/gaar/parkmgmt/currentfireinfo.htm>

Visit <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/> and click on *Morning Highlights* for a summary of wildfire activity across Alaska.

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