



Alaska National Parks Wildland Fire Information

Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve June 6, 2012 @ 10:30 AM

Lightning occurrence typically peaks in June. Some lightning strikes have occurred across Alaska this fire season but yesterday the 4092 strikes recorded were impressive albeit not unusual. Visit <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>, click on *Historical Lightning* and select June 5 at 6 AM as the starting date and June 6 at 6 AM as the ending date. A lightning strike map will appear. Some strikes started a new wildfire in Yukon-Charley Rivers NP.

Marie Creek Fire - ref# 146

- Reported on June 5, 2012 by a National Park Service plane
- Located 50 miles northwest of Eagle and 60 miles southeast of Circle
- 5 acres
- When reported the fire was 100% active, smoldering in black spruce and tundra on a wide arctic mesa, and one area was torching
- Fire staff will monitor the fire by mapping it from the air and documenting fire behavior observations.

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

Current fire information is posted at <http://www.nps.gov/yuch/parkmgmt/currentfireinfo.htm>.

Visit <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/> and click on *Maps/Imagery/Geospatial, Statewide Fires* to view a map of active fires in Alaska.

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