

# NASA image: Update on Funny River Fire, southern Alaska

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On May 26 at 9:30 a.m. local time, the Alaska Interagency Incident Management Type 2 Team reported on the status of the fire through the multi-agency Incident Information System known as Inciweb. At that time the fire was reported as 30 percent contained and had affected 158,585 acres. The report noted that the Funny River Fire crossed the Kenai River Sunday afternoon (May 26) near Torpedo Lake just east of the Kenai Keys.

The fire is wind driven fire and the Alaska Interagency Incident Management Type 2 Team noted that it was continuing to spread northeast toward the Skilak Lake Road. The Lower Skilak Lake Campground was evacuated and is closed until further notice. The Kenai Keys area is under an evacuation advisory. The Evacuation Advisory for the Kasilof area (Pollard Loop and Cardwell subdivisions) was lifted, effective Monday, May 26. The evacuation order for the Funny River Road area between mile point 7 and the east end of the road remains in place.

The evacuation advisory for the Keys area on the north side of the Kenai River also remains in effect. For updates on the [fire](#), visit Inciweb: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/3878/>

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