



**FOREST SERVICE**  
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# News Brief

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## **Fire Update on Chugach National Forest *Porcupine Island June 2***

The Porcupine Island fire has been contained and is currently being monitored. Burn total is 2.9 acres. The cause of the fire is under investigation. Future updates will be provided.

Citizens are urged to follow these guidelines to keep fire from going wild:

- Extinguish fires completely
- Allow the wood to burn completely to ash if possible
- Pour lots of water on the fire, drown all embers
  - Pour till hissing sound stops
- Stir the ashes and embers with a shovel
- Scrape any remaining logs to remove embers
- Make sure everything is cold to the touch
- If no water is available, use dirt or sand by mixing in with embers
- Do not bury the fire as it will continue to smolder and could catch roots on fire eventually getting to the surface to start a wildfire

If it's too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave.

Information specific to the Chugach National Forest can be found: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/chugach>  
The Alaska Interagency Coordination Center provides current fire information, and maps:  
<http://fire.ak.blm.gov>

To report a wildland fire in Alaska call 1-800-237-3633

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