

UXO Concerns Influence Fire Fighting Tactics

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Fairbanks, Alaska Fire crews fighting and monitoring the Willow Creek fire 10 miles south of Fairbanks were forced to fight the fire from the air and from the Tanana River due to the potential for UXO in the area. So far, just over 2,000 acres have burned but no residential homes have been threatened. The fire, which was reported on 10 June, was caused by reportedly caused by lighting. The Tanana Flats area where the fire started was a former bombing range used the 1940s through the 1990s.