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Wildfire near Nenana Suspends Train Traffic

Passengers to continue to Fairbanks by bus

ANCHORAGE, Alaska –The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) suspended train traffic this afternoon due to the Tamarack Fire that is burning south of Nenana. A portion of the wildfire jumped the tracks near MP 406 and is burning on both sides.

Passengers traveling northbound will be off-loaded at the Denali Depot and continue to Fairbanks by bus. Over 700 passengers will be transported.

It is unknown the extent of damage, if any, to the tracks. ARRC officials will inspect the area before train traffic resumes.

The ARRC is sending two bulldozers, two water trucks and a railgrinder with a 20,000-gallon water tank and two water cannons to assist fire officials combating the wildfire.

Depending on fire conditions, the Alaska Railroad expects full-passenger service to resume between Anchorage and Fairbanks by tomorrow.