



WILDFIRE UPDATE

10 km NE of Princeton Wildfire Information Bulletin

Fire Size: 3000 hectares (estimated). The fire has grown in size but this is due to crews conducting backburning operations as well as natural growth.

Status: Active, 10% containment

Resources: 155 firefighters, an Incident Management Team (12), 9 rotary-wing aircraft, 19 pieces of heavy equipment, 7 water tenders, 28 industry personnel and airtanker support as required.

Cause: Suspected human-caused, under investigation

Interface: Yes.

Weather: Weather continues to be stable with a light westerly wind with some gustiness. Winds will increase Saturday and Sunday to 20-30 km/hr gusting to 50 km/hr. There is no precipitation for at least the next 5 days.

Additional Information:

Crews will burn off and mop up areas along the southwest corner today. Crews will continue to build machine guard and lay hose lines around the perimeter of the fire. The primary focus of crews will be building guard in areas closest to structures.

The Incident Management Team currently assigned to the Princeton fire (K60643) will be transitioning off of this fire and handing over to a Type I Incident Management Team from Saskatchewan. This transition will take place over two days. It is not unusual for teams to transition on and off a fire. Personnel do their utmost to ensure continuity in operations and communications when this occurs.

For additional information go to these sites:



Photo taken July 9, 2017

DriveBC: 1-800-550-4997
Website: www.drivebc.ca

Red Cross: www.redcross.ca

BC Smoke Forecast: www.firesmoke.ca

RDOS: <http://www.rdos.bc.ca/home/>

Emergency Management BC: Report a disaster or emergency 1-800-663-3456

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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www.bcwildfire.ca



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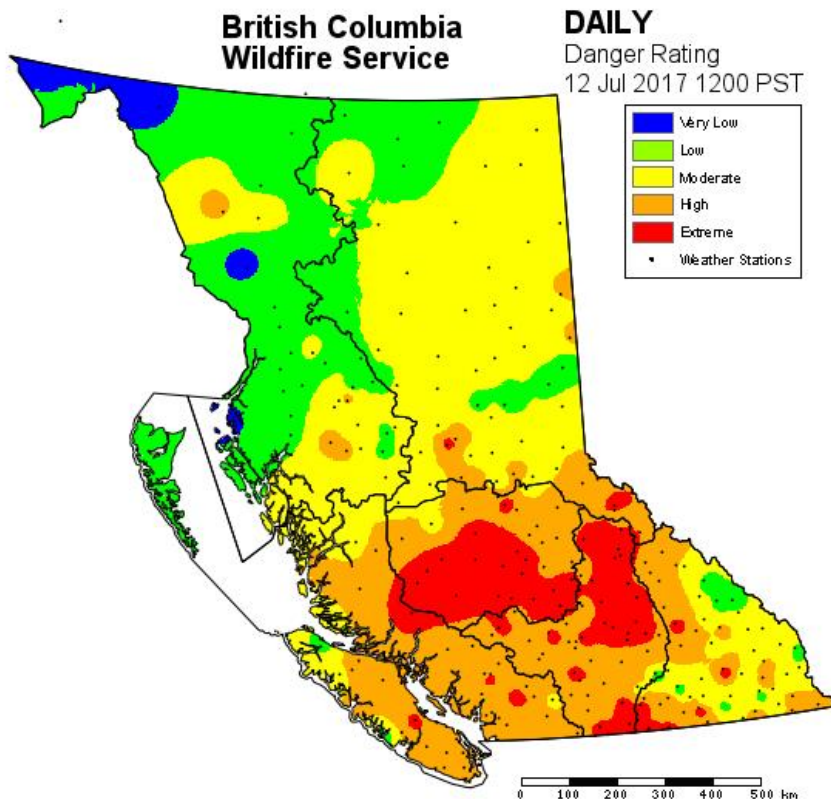


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Fire Danger Rating:



What the danger class ratings mean

Low: Fires may start easily and spread quickly but there will be minimal involvement of deeper fuel layers or larger fuels.

Moderate: Forest fuels are drying and there is an increased risk of surface fires starting. Carry out any forest activities with caution.

High: Forest fuels are very dry and the fire risk is serious. New fires may start easily, burn vigorously, and challenge fire suppression efforts. Extreme caution must be used in any forest activities. Open burning and industrial activities may be restricted.

Extreme: Extremely dry forest fuels and the fire risk is very serious. New fires will start easily, spread rapidly, and challenge fire suppression efforts. General forest activities may be restricted, including open burning, industrial activities and campfires.

Spot a wildfire, smoke or illegal fire activity?

Call 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 on your cell phone

HELPFUL RESOURCES:

Drifting Smoke: <http://firesmoke.ca/>

Smoke Health Concerns: HealthLink BC | dial 8-1-1 | www.healthlinkbc.ca/kbaltindex.asp