



# INCIDENT UPDATE

## Sugar Mountain (K41791)

<b>This information is current as of:</b>	August 12, 2018
<b>Incident Commander (IC)</b>	Jane Park
<b>Contact information</b>	Information Officer: Kim Weir Fire Information Officer MonasheeComIN@gov.bc.ca 780-852-8852 Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
<b>Fire camp</b>	A camp is being set up near Lumby for Aug.13.
<b>Incident overview</b>	The area of this fire was mapped at 332 hectares on Aug. 9. There is a Tolko Industries Limited’s equipment task force team including personnel and 11 pieces of heavy equipment working on the suppression of this fire. There are 8 helicopters are available for support as needed. This wildfire is classified as out of control
<b>Weather forecast</b>	Between yesterday and today, the Monashee complex of wildfires, in which this fire is located, received up to 10mm, but as little as 0 mm of rain. The weather forecast is calling for mainly cloudy with morning showers today and a high near 19 C. Sunny skies with cloudy periods and warming temperatures are expected for Monday.
<b>Fire behavior prediction</b>	The recent rain and cooler temperatures will result in less fire behavior for a few days, but the building ridge will result in rapid drying of fuels and increases in fire behaviour.
<b>Challenges</b>	Windy conditions today could lead to falling trees and hazardous conditions for machinery on the ground. The terrain is steep and very challenging. Safety of the crews is the number one priority.
<b>Yesterday’s achievements</b>	Machines are making progress and the east and west guards are complete. Progress was also made on the northwest guard but not complete.
<b>Today’s objectives</b>	Equipment continues to work on the northwest guard.
<b>Other</b>	An Area Restriction Order was put in place on Aug.4 on northeast side of Sugar Lake, the Sugar Creek recreation site on the North-East corner of Sugar lake, and the Kate Creek FSR access road. The Order was put in place to address a public safety concern arising from this wildfire and to avoid interference with fire control.  We ask the public to respect these orders and not to enter these areas for the safety of fire fighters.

**Definitions: Stages of Control**

- Out of Control:** Describes a wildfire that is not responding (or only responding on a limited basis) to suppression action, such that the perimeter spread is not being contained.
- Being Held:** Indicates that (with the resources currently committed to the fire) that sufficient suppression action has been taken that the fire is not likely to spread beyond existing or predetermined boundaries under the prevailing and forecasted conditions.
- Under Control:** Indicates that the fire has received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.
- Out:** Indicates that the fire has been extinguished.

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