

Snowy Mountain (K51238)

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| This information is current as of: | August 13, 2018 |
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| Fire camp | Keremeos |
| Incident overview | This wildfire is estimated at 13, 359 hectares in size and is classified as Out of Control. There are 10 helicopters assigned to the incident in order to support ground crews. The fire remains to the west of Chopaka Road and continues to burn within the managed area set by the fire analysis. The south flank remains approximately 3 km from the U.S. border. The BC Wildfire Service Incident Management Team assigned to the Snowy Mountain Fire is working collaboratively with the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources. |
| Weather forecast | A weak trough will sit from the southern interior into Alberta, giving a mix of sun and cloud. In the valley bottom, high temperatures near 22° and relative humidity near 30%. Winds NW-NE 10-20 km/h. For higher elevations, high temperatures near 22° and relative humidity near 36%. Winds W-NW 10-20 km/h. Tonight will be partly cloudy. At higher elevations, low temperatures near 6° C and relative humidity near 70%. Winds becoming NW 5-15 km/h. At lower elevations partly cloudy. Low temperatures near 11° C and maximum RH near 70%. Winds becoming NW 5-15 km/h. Tomorrow, an upper ridge will begin building from the southwest bringing drier conditions with temperatures warming several degrees. Winds will be light and variable. Conditions will be similar on Tuesday and Wednesday with light southwest winds on Tuesday and light to moderate southwest winds on Wednesday |
| Fire behavior prediction | Vigorous surface fire is anticipated today but is not expected to challenge suppression efforts. |
| Challenges | Visibility was a big challenge for crews today as the low pressure system was pushed out and the high pressure weather system that came in trapped the smoke in the valley. |
| Yesterday's achievements | Crews started construction to establish a helipad on the north flank of this fire. They were also successful in building a hose lay and wet line from Barrington Creek to the new helipad location. Wet line completed up Snehumpton Creek to Talus Creek. |
| Today's objectives | In the south, crews will continue to work in the Snehumpton drainage continuing with their hose lays and reassessing the danger trees. On the north flank, crews will continue work on completing the helipad and testing the water in their hoselays. Crews will start demobbing gear from the Three Lakes area in the southwest. |

Definitions: Stages of Control

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| 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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