

## Mt. Gottfriedsen (K52361)

<b>This information is current as of:</b>	August 16, 2018
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<b>Fire camp</b>	Merritt ICP
<b>Incident overview</b>	This incident was discovered on August 9 <sup>th</sup> . The current size of the fire is estimated at 633ha. An Incident Management Team in Merritt is overseeing this incident.
<b>Weather forecast</b>	Mainly sunny with smoke. Isolated thunderstorms are possible. If storms eventuate, they are likely to be dry and fast moving. High temperature 28 C and low RH near 15%. Winds becoming W-NW 10-20 km/h by afternoon. Overnight low near 13 C and RH recovery to near 60%. Winds light W-SW overnight.  The upper trough tracks with an embedded upper low south of the region on Friday, with isolated convection. Temps will remain in the high 20s and winds will be NW 10-20 km/h. An upper ridge in the eastern Pacific on Saturday will put the region under a northwest flow. Weather conditions will be sunny with temperatures near 30C and light northwest winds.
<b>Fire behavior prediction</b>	Understory and slash fuels are likely to burn with high intensity. Visibility may begin to improve again today, as ventilation improves with the slightly unstable atmosphere. Inversion up to 1500m with a breakdown temp near 20C. As the smoke lifts crews should expect fire behavior to increase with the warmer and drier conditions.
<b>Challenges</b>	Working to establish an additional repeater to improve communications. Increase in flare ups and fire intensity due to the weather.
<b>Yesterday's achievements</b>	The entire fire perimeter is now wrapped with hose. Crews created a new control line to separate an area of green timber from the fire perimeter. Mop up and aerial suppression continued.
<b>Today's objectives</b>	Continue danger tree assessment and, mop up and consolidation of containment lines.

### Definitions: Stages of Control

<b>Out of Control:</b>	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.
<b>Being Held:</b>	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.
<b>Under Control:</b>	Indicates that the fire has received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.
<b>Out:</b>	Indicates that the fire has been extinguished.

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