

Mt. Gottfriedsen (K52361)

This information is current as of:	August 20, 2018
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Fire camp	Merritt ICP
Incident overview	This incident was discovered on August 9 th . The current size of the fire is estimated at 633ha. This fire is now Under Control.
Weather forecast	Extensive smoke will continue to give poor visibility. High temperature 19 C and low RH near 28%. Winds becoming NE 20-30km/h gusting to 45 km/h during the afternoon. No inversion expected in the morning if strong winds eventuated over Sunday night / Monday morning. There is some uncertainty as to how the smoke may challenge temperature, wind speeds and RH. Overnight low near 10 C and RH recovery to near 50%. Winds becoming NE 10-20 km/h after sunset. On Tuesday an upper ridge leans further into BC, and temperatures will reach into the high teens to low twenties. Winds will be light to moderate northerlies. On Wednesday temperatures will continue to reach the high teens / low twenties, with south westerly winds predicted. An upper trough will approach the region on Thursday, bring moderate and gusty south westerlies, and temperatures may drop 2-3 degrees. No rain is predicted.
Fire behavior prediction	Gusty conditions may eventuate on the fireground today, which could cause some flare ups and spotting. If breakouts occur, there is potential for fast rates of spread in all fuel types today, with continuous crowning predicted to occur in areas of slash and understory that have active flame. Fire behaviour is predicted to be highly vigorous and intense throughout the afternoon and evening. Crews should be aware of conditions. If smoke lifts, the forecast conditions are more likely to be realized, and fire behaviour can enhance. Drier than average conditions will enable slash fuels to be extensively involved and burn with high intensities.
Challenges	Small hotspots discovered outside of control line in forest regen. Afternoon northwesterly winds.
Yesterday's achievements	Crews have achieved 100ft depth of mop up for 95% of the fire perimeter. Crews have gone to 200ft in areas where there are still green patches.
Today's objectives	Grid patrolling of locations where hotspots were located yesterday. Continuation of mop up to a depth of 200ft and other selected areas. Prepare fire ground for a scan over the next couple of days. Continuation of military personnel being integrated into existing Type 2 crews.

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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