



INCIDENT UPDATE

North Baezaeko (C11937)

This information is current as of:	August 27, 2018
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Fire camp	Location: Sylvia’s Café on Nazko Road
Incident overview	<u>Status</u> : Out of Control <u>Size</u> : Mapped at 11,500 hectares <u>Resources</u> : 84 fire fighters, 20 pieces of heavy equipment, 10 helicopters for Baezaeko Complex <u>Containment</u> : 15% <u>Guarded</u> : 40%
Weather forecast	Today : Sunny with clouds moving in later afternoon. Winds W-NW 8 to 15 km/h becoming SW-W 10 to 15 in the late morning and gusts to 25. Min RH near 30%. High 21. Outlook for Monday to Wednesday : Monday night mainly cloudy. Lows near 5°C with good recovery. Winds SW-W 10 to 20 km/h through the night with 20 to 30 at higher elevations. Light winds near dawn. Tuesday : Westerly brings in a weak cold front in the late afternoon that pushes south in the early evening. Sunshine with increasing clouds and scattered showers developing late afternoon. Winds SW 20 km/h gusts 30 shifting to W-NW behind the front. Highs near 22 with humidity in the upper 20s before cooling takes place late afternoon. Tuesday night mainly cloudy with isolated showers as an upper trough moves through. Winds become light with good recoveries. Wednesday a NW flow returns but the air mass is moist and unstable with clouds and a few showers. Rain amounts 5 to 10 mm possible. Highs near 16 with high humidity. Winds W 10 to 15 km/h gusts 25.
Fire behavior prediction	Low rates of spread are forecasted however heavier fuel pockets may flare up and cause torching of trees. Fire is burning deep where there is deep duff and root systems.
Challenges	Challenges crews face on this fire are difficult terrain, aggressive fire behaviour (due to lack of precipitation) on this fire, and an extraordinary amount of danger trees.
Yesterday’s achievements	The crews minimized the spread of this wildfire to the east with direct attack and bucketing helicopters. This wildfire is now 40% guarded and 15% contained.
Today’s objectives	Crews will concentrate on the southeast flank. Low precipitation and cooler temperatures has helped the containment stay static on this fire. Crews will complete a contingency line (guard) south of this wildfire (66A road) tying into the 2017 Plateau. Heavy equipment will continue daylighting (widening) the 6700 road (south of wildfire) to the Blackwater River and work to complete the machine guard on the 6800 road. Structure Protection units have been installed on the cabin on Teepee lake as well as maintenance on other units in the area.
Other	An Evacuation Alert and Order has been implemented by the Cariboo Regional District. For more information, please visit the Cariboo Regional District Website: www.cariboord.bc.ca

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.