

Snowy Mountain (K51238)

This information is current as of:	August 28, 2018
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Fire camp	Keremeos
Incident overview	<p>This wildfire is estimated at 16,414 hectares in size. The increase in the fire perimeter size is due to an area increase in the north flank as well as the inclusion of K52431 along the Canada US border. The fire activity remains within the identified fire analysis area the status of this fire remains Being Held. This means we do not expect the fire to spread beyond this determined area. The BC Wildfire Service continues to monitor and respond to the Snowy Mountain fire. If temperatures remain warm, visibility improves and relative humidity decreases, fire activity within the perimeter of this fire will increase and be visible to surrounding communities.</p> <p>This fire is located in the Snowy Protected Area. For information please visit the BC Parks website at http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/snowy.</p>
Weather forecast	<p>Mainly sunny. High temperatures 17 C and low RH near 36%. Winds becoming W 15-25 G 35 km/h by late afternoon. The airmass will become stable to 1200m, with breakdown temperature of 16C.</p> <p>Tonight: Overnight low near 6 C and RH recovery to near 75%. Winds diminishing to light W starting near 18:00.</p> <p>Outlook: The upper low in the Alaskan Panhandle forms a trough along the coast on Tuesday night and over BC by Wednesday afternoon. This will bring temperatures in the lower double digits and moderate west winds. Showers may form, but these are expected further north of the fire area. A broad upper trough will be over the region on Thursday with temperatures in the lower double digits with light to moderate west winds. Drier conditions will prevail. Friday will see the beginnings of the next upper ridge with temperatures warming by two or three degrees and light west winds.</p>
Fire behavior prediction	In areas that received decent rainfall (10mm), cold temps and high minimum RH has dampened the FFMC and slightly reduced the DMC, which has slowed down potential rates of spread. Areas that received minimal rainfall can expect and fire behaviour to start picking up, with the drier warmer air making fine fuels become available. The underlying indices are still much higher than average for this time of year, so any increases in wind will create the potential for fire behaviour to pick up.
Challenges	The steep terrain at the Barrington drainage continues to challenge crews.
Yesterday's achievements	Demobbed gear throughout the fire and set up a sprinkler line west of Barrington drainage. Crews patrolled lines.
Today's objectives	No crews will be on Snowy today. However, it will be monitored by resources assigned to the Old Tom Creek fire.

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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