

## Snowy Mountain (K51238)

<b>This information is current as of:</b>	August 31, 2018
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<b>Fire camp</b>	Keremeos
<b>Incident overview</b>	<p>This wildfire is estimated at 17,068 hectares in size. 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. Community members can still expect to see smoke within the perimeter over the coming weeks. This is common with large wildfires and will continue until the region receives significant rainfall or snowfall. If smoke is seen coming from well within a fire's perimeter and the area is surrounded by black, burned material, this is typically not a concern</p> <p>This fire is located in the Snowy Protected Area. For information please visit the BC Parks website at <a href="http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/snowy">http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/snowy</a>.</p>
<b>Weather forecast</b>	<p>Sunny with a few cloudy periods. Winds W 15 to 20 km/h in the afternoon. Afternoon gusts to 35 km/h. Minimum RH 28%. High temperature near 17 C. 10% chance of a shower.</p> <p><b>Tonight:</b> Low temperatures around 7 C with good RH recovery expected around 70 to 75%.</p> <p><b>Outlook:</b> On Saturday, a weak upper ridge will provide a mix of sun and cloud, with dry conditions. Gusty W to NW winds may eventuate in the afternoon. High temperatures are expected to reach the mid teens, and minimum RH dropping to the 30 to 35% range. Over the next couple of days dry conditions are likely to prevail. Winds are expected to rise in the afternoon each day, with gusts around 30 – 40 km/h. Gusts may be stronger at higher elevations of the fire.</p>
<b>Fire behavior prediction</b>	<p>Fuels have had a good chance to dry out after some gusty conditions over the past few days. Surface fires may begin to pick up again as FFMC values approach 90. In areas of active fire, intermittent crowning is possible in the C3 at the peak of the day, particularly with wind gusts. Moderate to fast rates of spread are possible, but likely only for the peak of the day. The DC and DMC indices are above normal for this time of year, and are likely to remain high until decent rainfall.</p>
<b>Challenges</b>	Steep terrain and large geographical area.
<b>Yesterday's achievements</b>	Fire was patrolled by the air and minimal fire activity was observed. BC Park staff flew the fires that are located within the parks.
<b>Today's objectives</b>	No crews will be on Snowy today. However, it will be monitored by resources assigned to the Old Tom Creek fire. Sprinkler system is still set up in the Barrington drainage. If required, crews will start up the system.

### 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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