



INCIDENT UPDATE

Placer Mountain (K61241)

This information is current as of:	August 07, 2018
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Fire camp	Princeton Fire Base
Incident overview	Placer Mountain wildfire is estimated at 2,372.0 hectares in size and is classified as out of control. There are 11 helicopters assigned to the entire complex that are being interchanged amongst the two wildfires (the other wildfire being Snowy Mountain).
Weather forecast	There will be mainly sunny skies today, with the exception of smoke lingering in the valley bottom. The valley bottom will experience northwesterly winds gusting 10-20 km/h and temperatures around 35 degrees. For higher elevations, temperatures will reach 26 degrees and winds will be light variable blowing at 5-15 km/h. The upper ridge will persist Wednesday through Friday, which will increase temperatures at all elevations.
Fire behavior prediction	The fire on Placer Mountain will be a creeping to running surface fire today, depending on what areas received precipitation.
Challenges	Crews continue to be challenged by the steep terrain on this wildfire. Rattlesnakes are present in some areas as well.
Yesterday's achievements	Firefighters had a successful day yesterday mopping-up and patrolling.
Today's objectives	Today, crews will continue to focus their efforts on patrolling and mopping-up, specifically on the northwest and southeast areas. Fire equipment will be demobilized in areas where it is no longer required, due to the significant headway made by ground crews.
Other	This fire has made good progress thus far, attributable to favourable weather conditions and hard work done by crews. The 90% containment figure is a reflection of this success.

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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