



# INCIDENT UPDATE

## SAGE CREEK WILDFIRE (N12024/CBZ-001)

<b>This information is current as of:</b>	August 9, 2018
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<b>Fire camp</b>	PINCHER CREEK ATB
<b>Incident overview</b>	1148 hectares in size (estimated) 69 personnel on site (61 AB/8 BC) 8 helicopters are signed to the complex. Air support, as required 1 airtanker 3 heavy equipment  This wildfire is classified as: Mutual Aid – Assistance Started
<b>Weather forecast</b>	Sunny with a maximum temperature of 36°C, relative humidity of 10% and winds SW 15 km/h. No precipitation in the forecast. A strong upper ridge of high pressure continues to build northward from the four corner states, shifting east by Friday. Extensive smoke is anticipated with a southwesterly flow developing this afternoon.
<b>Fire behavior prediction</b>	Minimal growth expected over the next 24 hours
<b>Challenges</b>	Crew placement due to steep slopes; shifting winds due to mountain terrain
<b>Yesterday's achievements</b>	Crews and equipment continued to build guard on the east and west sides of fire along perimeter. Bucketing and airtanker drops continued in priority areas.
<b>Today's objectives</b>	Heavy equipment will continue constructing dozer lines. Crews will provide support with pump and hose. Aerial suppression will continue to limit further spread along the perimeter.
<b>Other</b>	With increasingly hot and dry weather, wildfires can change rapidly. If you are planning to enter the backcountry, please remain situationally aware of existing wildfires and avoid areas with active firefighting operations.

**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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