



INCIDENT UPDATE

Old Tom Creek (K52670)

This information is current as of:	September 10, 2018
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Fire camp	Keremeos
Incident overview	This fire was discovered on August 15, since then ground crews, helicopters, air tankers and heavy equipment have been assigned to this fire. The current size of the fire is estimated at 1,130ha. This wildfire is classified as Being Held. 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.
Weather forecast	Becoming mainly cloudy by afternoon. High temperature 11 C and minimum RH 54%. Winds becoming S 10-20 km/h by afternoon TONIGHT: Mainly cloudy. Isolated showers overnight. Low temperature 2 C and RH recovery to 90%. Winds W 10-20 km/h near 21:00. . TOMORROW: Mainly cloudy with isolated showers and a slight risk of thunderstorms. High temperature 7 C and low RH near 66%. Winds W 15-25 G 35 km/h. Overnight low near 4 C and RH recovery to near 90%. Winds diminishing to NW 10-20 km/h after midnight. OUTLOOK: The low drops down to a position off Vancouver Island on Tuesday, pushing more showers into the southern sections of the region overnight. Temperatures will cool one or two degrees each day and winds will be light southwest each day.
Fire behavior prediction	The region will be in a cool and unstable airmass through the period giving unsettled conditions and varying amounts of rainfall. Precipitation amounts tonight will be up to 2 mm. Overnight temperatures may fall below freezing tonight. Nocturnal inversion not expected due to winds and cloud cover.
Challenges	Steep slopes, challenging terrain
Yesterday's achievements	Yesterday's cooler and wetter weather helped crews make progress on this fire. They were able to perform direct attack strategies and tactics, which enabled them to successfully mop up containment lines.
Today's objectives	Continue to patrol north flank and extinguish any hot spots within 100 ft of perimeter.

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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