



FIRE NAME

R91947 Alkali Lake Holdovers

FIRE SIZE:

Various 1—80 ha

FIRE STATUS:

Being Held

RESOURCES:

There are currently 12 firefighters working on these holdovers from 2018. In addition there is a 14 person Incident Management Team and 5 helicopters shared between these holdovers and wildfire R90376. Additional resources are supporting the fire camp established in Dease Lake.

UPDATES:

Firefighters will continue mopping up, working up to a hundred feet inside the perimeter of the largest holdover. Crews will also patrol the surrounding area assessing for heat and extinguishing any spots as necessary.

The main areas of concern are being successfully suppressed, aided by cooler, damper weather. However, holdovers from the 2018 Alkali Lake fire have smouldered deep underground over the winter before re-emerging as the spring brought warmer and drier conditions.

BCWS anticipates continuing to find these holdovers. The public may see smoke rising from holdovers over the summer and are asked to immediately report it so that BCWS can send staff to assess the area.

Weather is expected to remain largely cloudy with showers in some areas.



Crews are digging deep into the duff layer to extinguish holdovers.

Photo: Glen Parry

EVACUATION ALERTS AND ORDERS:

No evacuation alerts or orders are in effect.

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

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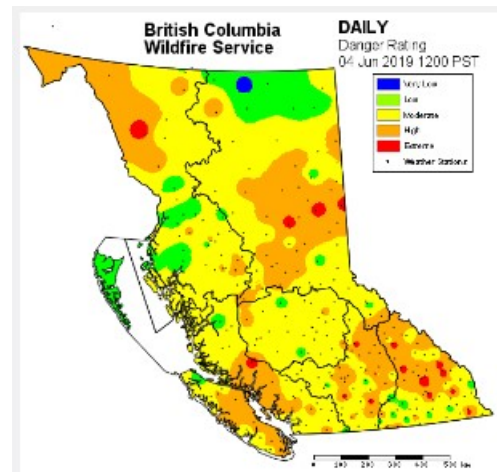


FORECAST:

SYNOPSIS: A broad upper low well off the coast and a weak trough line across northern BC continue to be the major players in the weather for the Fire Centre. Two surges of moisture coming our way today. In the north clouds across the north half of the Cassiar zone pushing slowly south and east with scattered showers and isolated thundershowers. To the south a frontal wave crossing southern BC into Alberta leaves its trailing trough along the southern border of the region with scattered showers developing in the far south later afternoon. Elsewhere the unstable air mass with variable clouds and isolated showers. Isolated thundershowers expected in all areas south of Van Dyke with a risk near Atlin. Temperatures low to upper teens and pockets of 30% humidity in the south. Winds generally light but gusty in the unstable air mass. Tonight the thicker moisture in the north moves offshore leaving behind clouds with breaks but also lingering isolated showers. To the south the trough sits across the far south with a band of rain across southern Nadia zone to the coast. Thursday as the offshore low moves onto the south coast a NE flow aloft for the Fire Centre. This enhances the moisture in the south and it spreads north with a rain area reaching to Smithers with clouds and sun breaks and isolated to scattered showers elsewhere with thundershowers. Temperatures near 10 in the rain area with mid to upper teens elsewhere. Light winds except strong easterly into the southern Nadia zone.

WEDNESDAY: Cloudy with isolated showers north. Clouds and sun south half. By early afternoon scattered showers except dry far south. Risk of thundershowers NW sections. Snow level rising to 1700 m. Wind N-E 10 to 15 km/h gusts 25. Gusts to 60 near thundershowers. MAX TEMP: 10 to 16. MIN RH: 40% plus.

FIRE DANGER RATING



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Fire Bans and Restrictions in the Cassiar Fire Zone

For more information visit <http://bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca/hprScripts/WildfireNews/DisplayBan.asp?ID=586#CampfireBans> Currently, open burning and campfires are prohibited in the Cassiar Fire Zone.

Picking more mushrooms from the 2018 wildfires

Check with local First Nations to inquire if a permit is required to access the area for mushroom picking.

Fire 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: indicated that (with the resources currently committed to the fire) 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: The fire has received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.

Out: The fire has been extinguished

HELPFUL RESOURCES:

View an interactive map by clicking [here](#) or visiting www.bcwildfire.ca

Drifting Smoke: www.bcairquality.ca/bluesky/west/index.html

Smoke Health Concerns: HealthLink BC | dial 8-1-1 | www.healthlinkbc.ca/kbaltindex.asp

Spot a wildfire, smoke or illegal fire activity? Call 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 on your cell phone