



FIRE NAME
K21001

FIRE SIZE:
40,266 hectares (estimated)

FIRE STATUS:
Out of Control

Conditions:

- Fire activity yesterday, July 10th challenged fire guards.
- An airtanker successfully prevented the fire from breaching the guard on the south-southeast of the fire, but guards north of Sedge Lake may have been crossed. Currently there is too much smoke to see how far the fire is past Sedge Lake.
- Fire growth in the southeast was observed in the direction where planned ignitions were set to occur.
- The fire is currently over Mt. Uren and is close to the Sabiston contingency guard.

Objectives:

- **Sparks Lake (K21001) South Branch:**
 - Structure protection on Deadman drainage
 - Establish control line on the east side of community
 - Identify control lines northwest of Deadman Valley
 - Hand guard construction from Uren Flats to the Deadman Valley bottom
 - Re-asses control lines on the Sabiston Forest Service Road
- **Sparks Lake (K21001) North Branch:**
 - Structure triage and protection
 - Assess and ensure burnt over roads are navigable
 - Establish control lines on east flank of north branch from branch break to Vidette Lake
 - Establish control lines on north end of branch from Vidette Lake to Duck Lake
 - Establish control lines on west flank of branch from Duck Lake to Branch Break



Increased fire behaviour was observed yesterday afternoon, July 10, 2021.

RESOURCES:

Fire fighters – 128 **Support Staff** – 106

Total Personnel including firefighting- 234 persons

Heavy Equipment - 55

Helicopters – ten assigned

EVACUATION ALERTS AND ORDERS:

Evacuations: The Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) has issued Evacuation Orders for a total of 170 properties and Evacuation Alerts for 704 properties.

More information is available here: [Thompson- Nicola Regional District](#).

The Chief and Council of the [Skeetchestn](#) Indian Band have implemented an Evacuation Order for their community as of 10 pm, July 2, 2021.

Area Restriction: An Area Restriction for the Sparks Lake Fire is in effect as of July 1, 2021, at 12 noon PST. For a map of the effected area go [here](#).

Structural Protection:

Firesmarting and triaging communities to determine equipment and resources if fire expands. Six structure protection crews, ten Skeetchestn Fire Department firefighters and water tender, four structure protection unit trailers, two structural protection specialists, and two water tenders with operators.

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

Sparks Lake Information Section

Telephone: 778-364-1265 | Email: BCWS.SparksLakeInfo@gov.bc.ca



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[BC Forest Fire Info](#)



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The Sparks Lake Fire Incident Management Team is resourcing six additional fires:

- C41097—SE of Young Lake, 166 hectares in size
- C41412—2.3 km from Young Lake, 1.5 hectares in size
- C41416—2.3 km east of Young Lake, 13 hectares in size
- K21433— 5 miles NE of Criss Creek, 46 km northwest of Kamloops, 132 hectares in size
- C41560—Coal Creek, 0.30 hectares in size
- C41610 —2km south Young Lake, 0.01 hectares in size

Increased fire activity was observed yesterday, July 10. All six fires are being monitored and will be bucketed by helicopters as required.

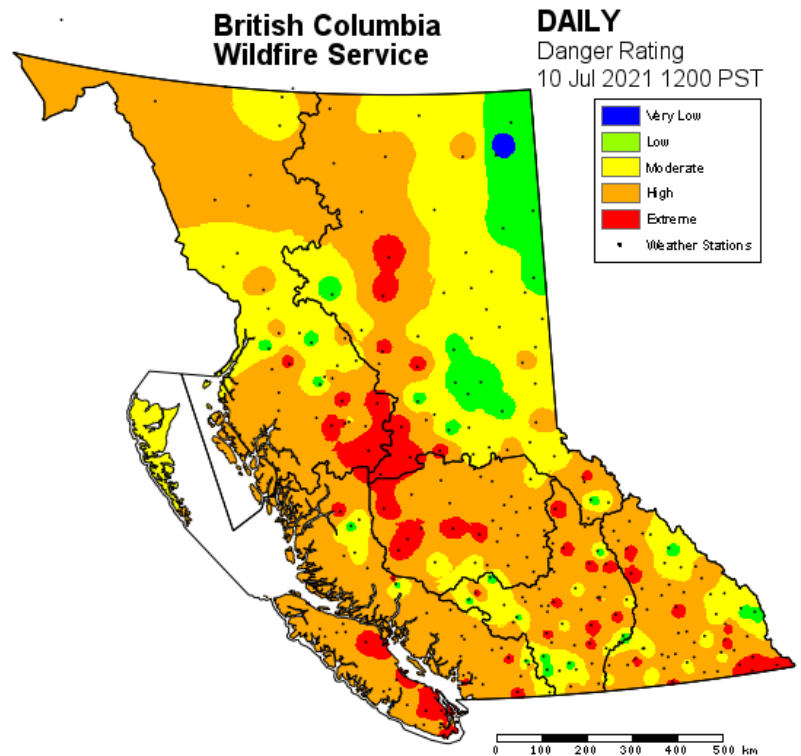
FORECAST:

Issued: July 10, 2021 for July 11, 2021

SYNOPSIS: A southwest flow over the region today (10th) and a shortwave trough tonight will bring some isolated thunderstorms to Lillooet and Kamloops zones this afternoon and evening. These storms will dissipate by the overnight period. A tighter pressure gradient at the surface will give light to moderate west to southwest inflow winds. Tomorrow (11th) will see an upper ridge begin to build. The airmass will be more stable and no convection is forecast. Winds will be light west to northwest.

TODAY: Mainly sunny. High temperature 33 C with a minimum relative humidity 20%. Winds northwest 5 to 15 kilometres per hour.

OUTLOOK: The upper ridge will be edging slowly eastward Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, reaching Alberta by Wednesday morning. In a dry and stable airmass, little or no convection is forecast for the region. Temperatures each day will warm to near 35 C by Tuesday with light and variable winds Monday and light southwest winds Tuesday. Temperatures will cool to 33 C Wednesday with light to moderate southwest winds.



Noticing Campfires or Unlawful Open Burning ?

RAPP

Report All Poachers and Polluters

Conservation Officer 24-Hr Hotline:

1-877-952-RAPP (7277)



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

HELPFUL RESOURCES:

- View an interactive map by clicking [here](#) or visit <http://ow.ly/uo2U30oXqzS>
- **Road Closures:** DriveBC | dial 1-800-550-4997 | <https://www.drivebc.ca/>
- **Drifting Smoke:** www.bcairquality.ca/bluesky/west/index.html
- **Smoke Health Concerns:** HealthLink BC | dial 8-1-1 | www.healthlinkbc.ca/kbaltindex.asp
- For info on **Community Support Services**, click [here](#) or visit <https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/>
- For **damage** to private property and Reserve Lands, please email BCWSClaims@gov.bc.ca.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

BC Wildfire Service	Emergency Management BC	Local municipalities and regional districts	First Nations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BCWS's jurisdiction covers all BC Parks, Crown and private lands, but does not include the boundaries of local governments that have forest fire prevention bylaws and are serviced by a fire department. - BCWS speaks directly about wildfires (i.e. fire status, operations, etc.) and is responsible for disseminating wildfire updates to local governments, stakeholders, First Nations and the public. - BCWS does <u>not</u> announce Strategic Evacuation Orders or Alerts. - BCWS <u>does</u> announce Tactical Evacuations. - In the event of an imminent threat to public safety, BCWS can authorize an immediate Tactical Evacuation of the affected area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EMBC coordinates communication across all agencies and stakeholders to support communities. - EMBC provides advice to evacuees and support to communities regarding Emergency Operations Centres and Emergency Support Services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local Municipalities and Regional Districts speak directly about Strategic Evacuation Orders and Alerts in their respective jurisdictions. - Local Municipalities and Regional Districts <u>do not</u> speak about the status of a wildfire unless the fire occurs within their jurisdiction. For example, if a wildfire <u>starts</u> within the boundaries of a local government, BCWS will often assist the local fire department with suppression efforts. If the fire spreads into Crown land to become a wildfire, BCWS will often assume control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On IR lands, Evacuation Orders and Alerts are implemented by a Band Council Resolution or other. - A designated person(s) from the respective First Nations community will speak to Evacuation Orders and Alerts on IR lands.

ACCESSING INFORMATION

BC Wildfire Service Online Communications	EmergencyInfoBC EMBC Online Communications	PreparednessBC EMBC Online Communications
 @BCGovFireInfo	 @EmergencyInfoBC	 @PreparedBC
 www.bcwildfire.ca	 www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca	 PreparedBC
 @BCForestFireInfo		 PreparedBC