



Lytton Complex

Lytton Creek (K71086)

FIRE SIZE:

15,664 hectares (estimate)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

RESOURCES:

There are 34 personnel responding, assisted by five helicopters , 11 pieces of heavy equipment, Incident Management Team and 30 Structure Protection personnel assessing and deploying where needed.

UPDATE:

Over night a scan of the fire was completed and the size of the fire is now estimated at 15,664 hectares.

Wildfire activity continues to be expected to increase in the afternoons as hot, dry and windy conditions persist on site in the more active areas of this fire.

The BC Wildfire Service is issuing a wind advisory for the southern Interior and southeastern British Columbia from Tuesday, July 20 to Thursday, July 22, 2021. This weather system is expected to exit the province late on Thursday, July 22. Wind activity is expected to significantly impact fire growth in these regions. The rate of fire spread will likely increase, and the direction of fire growth may change quickly on some wildfires.

The top priority for the BC Wildfire Service is human life and safety. We urge the public to maintain heightened awareness of the current wildfire situation.

Yesterday (July 19th, 2021) the retardant pit set up was completed and crews utilized this by creating a retardant line in the upper Nicomen. On the north side of the Thompson River the fire saw significant growth from the afternoon winds and increased fire activity. In the evening winds were gusting upwards of 80 kilometers an hour downslope. This has caused the fire to move more quickly down the Nicomen drainage. Crews and Structure Protection remained on site throughout the night to protect the community.

Today targets are being assessed for viable aerial retardant operations as well as reassessing existing control lines and line locating for additional control line construction. In the Botanie area crews will continue work on the fuel free and setting up a water delivery system. The crews will also be working to build helicopter pads along the west side of the fire and will continue work with heavy equipment to build containment lines in the upper Botanie.

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

Lytton Complex Information Team | Hours: 0700-2200

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EVACUATION ORDERS AND ALERTS:

The Village of Lytton has an Evacuation Order in effect for all properties in the Village of Lytton. The Thompson-Nicola Regional District and the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District have issued evacuation Orders for the Lytton Creek wildfire. On July 6th, some Evacuation Orders were changed to Alters in the TNRD. On July 13th the TNRD downgraded the Evacuation Order for the Gladwin area to an Alert, however due to strong winds influencing fire activity later in the afternoon the Alert was upgraded to an Order again. To see the full list of affected properties and the changes in the order, please contact:

TNRD Emergency Operations Centre

Phone: (250) 377-7188

Toll Free: 1-866-377-7188

emergency@tnrd.ca

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

Phone: (604) 894-6371

Toll Free: 1-866-298-7753

info@slrd.bc.ca

AREA RESTRICTION:

An area restriction is in place as of July 3, 2021 for an area over the Lytton Complex area. This is NOT an evacuation alert or order. Under this order and Section 11(2) of the Wildfire Act, a person must not remain in or enter the restricted area without the prior written authorization of an official designated for the purposes of the Wildfire Act, unless the person enters the area only in the course of:

- travelling to or from his or her principle residence that is not under an evacuation order;
- travelling to or from private or leased property for the purposes of accessing a secondary residence or recreational property that is not under an evacuation order;
- travelling as a person acting in an official capacity;
- travelling for the purpose of supporting wildfire suppression activities; and
- engaging and/or participating in agricultural activities pertaining to livestock or vineyard management on private or leased property.

The area restriction in place currently has an expiry date of October 15, 2021. However, once the area is considered safe for entry, the BC Wildfire Service will rescind the order.

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Lytton Complex

Tremont Creek (K21849)

FIRE SIZE:

10,916 hectares (estimate)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

RESOURCES:

There are 69 BCWS personnel on the ground responding during the day and 8 personnel overnight. In conjunction with heavy equipment and the Ashcroft Fire Department. During the day crews are assisted by six helicopters, 20 pieces of heavy equipment, Incident Management Team and 24 Structure Protection personnel. Resource are shared within the Lytton Creek Complex.

UPDATES:

Over night a scan of the fire was completed and the size of the fire is now estimated at 10,916 hectares.

Wildfire activity continues to be expected to increase in the afternoons in some sections of the fire as hot and dry conditions persist, as well as strong afternoon winds. Heavy smoke continues to challenge visibility on sections of the fire and periods of significant winds are challenging aircraft operations.

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On the night of July 18, the northwest corner of the fire burnt down to the rail line and to our knowledge has not compromised the rail line or rail traffic at this time.

Yesterday (July 19,2021) afternoon winds on site were estimated to be gusting up to 60 kilometers an hour which lead to a significant increase in fire activity. As a result, crews, heavy equipment and structure protection personnel had to pull back to safety until fire activity decreased. Crews remained on site through the night to conduct patrols throughout the west flank and surrounding residences.

Yesterday (July 19,2021) approximately 25 kilometers of guard at the southwest corner through to the south flank of the fire has been established. Today's objectives are to continue building guard towards the southeast flank with heavy equipment as well as line locating roads to open up in the sage on the north flank. Structure Protection continues to conduct 24 hour patrols in the Walhachin area and has installed structure protection apparatus throughout the township and on the bridge. Structure Protection apparatus also remains active on the Barnes Lake Road.



Lytton Complex

(K21849)

FIRE SIZE:

10,916 hectares (estimate)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

EVACUATION ORDERS AND ALERTS:

The Thompson-Nicola Regional District has issued Evacuation Orders and Alerts for Electoral Area "I" (Blue Sky Country) and Evacuation Alerts for Electoral area "J" (Copper Desert Country). The Oregon Jack Creek Indian Band have issued an Evacuation Order. The communities of Ashcroft and Cache Creek, as well as the Ashcroft Band remain on evacuation alert. To see the full list of affected properties, please contact:

TNRD Emergency Operations Centre

Phone: (250) 377-7188

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Ashcroft Indian Band

Phone: (250) 453-9154

Email: info@ashcroftband.ca

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AREA RESTRICTION:

An area restriction is in place as of July 18, 2021 for an area over the Tremont Creek Wildfire area. This is NOT an evacuation alert or order. Under this order and Section 11(2) of the Wildfire Act, a person must not remain in or enter the restricted area without the prior written authorization of an official designated for the purposes of the Wildfire Act, unless the person enters the area only in the course of:

- (a) Travelling as a person acting in an official capacity.
- (b) Travelling for the purpose of supporting wildfire suppression activities.
- (c) Travelling as a person working for Highland Valley Copper Mine to and from the mine site for the purposes of maintaining critical infrastructure at the site.
- (d) Travelling to or from his or her principle residence, that is not under an evacuation order.
- (e) Travelling to or from private or leased property for the purposes of accessing a secondary residence or recreational property, that is not under an evacuation order.
- (f) Engaging and/or participating in agricultural activities pertaining to livestock or agriculture management on private or leased property.
- (g) Using a highway as defined in the Highway Act (e.g. use of travelling along Hwy 97C).

The area restriction in place currently has an expiry date of October 15, 2021. However, once the area is considered safe for entry, the BC Wildfire Service will rescind the order.

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Lytton Complex

(V11669)

FIRE SIZE:

636 hectares (estimate)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

RESOURCES:

The Mowhokam Creek wildfire became a part of the Lytton Creek Complex on July 16, 2021 and is being monitored and assessed by the Incident Management Team that is in place.

There are currently no resources assigned to the Mowhokam Creek wildfire, however aircraft assigned to the Lytton Creek Complex are in the area and monitoring the incident at this time. Resource will continue to be prioritized throughout the complex based on fire activity needs.

UPDATES:

Wildfire activity continues to be expected to increase in the afternoons in some sections of the fire as hot and dry conditions persist, as well as strong afternoon winds. Fire growth is currently moving away from the communities along HWY1.

Smoke has posed challenges with completing an updated track of the fire. In the interim GIS has created a perimeter based on satellite imagery and heat signatures.



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REGISTER FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS:

The Thompson-Nicola Regional District has chosen Voyent Alert! to serve the region to provide residents with critical emergency information. Voyent Alert! is a multi-purpose communication service used to send alerts to residents, businesses, and visitors during critical events like fires or floods as well as for relevant day-to-day communications. Registration is FREE, simple and totally anonymous. For mobile app alerts, download and install the *Voyent Alert!* app from the Apple or Google Play stores. For email, text message, or voice call alerts: <https://register.voyent-alert.com>

Personalized Communications: Voyent Alert! provides informative communications. Critical information such as the distance and direction from an incident, time of intercept and preferred evacuation routes from your tracked locations.

Track Multiple Locations: Voyent Alert! allows you to create and track multiple locations such as “Kids School” or “Mom’s House”. Any event or communication related to your tracked locations will be forwarded to you along your preferred communication channel.

No Message Fatigue: Voyent Alert’s smart alerting capabilities ensure that you will only get notified when a communication is relevant to you or one of the locations you are tracking.

Communications Your Way: Receive alerts over a wide variety of communication channels including mobile apps, text/SMS alerting, email or voice calling. You can register for all or one of them.

Privacy is Paramount: Registration is anonymous, and no information volunteered or derived is shared or used for marketing or data harvesting purposes. Locational information from your tracked locations is only used to determine its proximity to an alert event and to provide critical context within the communications (such as distance and direction).

Leaving is Easy: Both mobile applications and web-based accounts provide access to an unsubscribe feature accessed via the menu icon on the top right of the screen/page. If the service isn’t working out simply click on “Unsubscribe” button.

See the full release at: www.tnrd.ca

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RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY WILDFIRES:

The BC Economic Development Association (BCEDA) has launched a special webpage dedicated to Wildfires 2021— <https://www.bceda.ca/wildfires.php> — which contains a live document where information will be added for business and communities, plus manuals and toolkits dedicated to disaster preparation.

As the Province and others start to roll out support programs, BCEDA will update the live document so that businesses can easily find this information.

Have the BC Wildfires impacted your Business? Is so, a short survey has been created . The responses will help distinguish businesses' and communities' short and long-term needs. The BCEDA has pledged to do everything it can to help.

The BCEDA collects this information to share in an aggregate format with provincial, Indigenous, Local and Regional Governments. No confidential information will be shared unless a follow-up call is requested by the business. All information is stored in Canada by Softlanding.

Here is the URL for the survey:

<https://www.executivepulse.ca/bcwildfire2021>

MORE BCEDA RESOURCES:

[Resources for Wildfire Impacted Individuals & Businesses 2021 \(Live Document\)](#) - A document of resources that is constantly being updated as new information and resources are released. Check back in on this document regularly for up-to-date information regarding the wildfires.

[Top 10 Steps to Prepare Your Business for Evacuation](#) - A document that can be made available to businesses in your community to aid in, and encourage, preparation for an evacuation scenario. It highlights the 10 steps necessary to prepare a business for an evacuation.

[Province of BC: Disaster Financial Assistance](#)—Following a disaster, the provincial government may declare the event eligible for Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA). Once declared, the DFA program may compensate individuals for essential uninsurable losses and/or reimburse local governments for damaged infrastructure.

[Local Economic Recovery & Restart Toolkit](#) - This toolkit provides a collection of resources developed to assist local councils, organizations and individuals involved in community economic recovery following an emergency such as the COVID-19 pandemic, wildfires and floods

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



WILDFIRE UPDATE

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.