



Young Lake

(C41097)

FIRE SIZE:

2631 ha (estimated)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

RESOURCES:

Currently, there are 20 firefighters, 2 helicopters a Structure Protection Unit and 10 pieces of heavy equipment on site.

UPDATES:

Yesterday, Ground personnel and structure protection specialists began assessments on Egan Lake. Aerial ignitions did not commence yesterday as fire activity increased slightly. Firefighters took advantage of this and changed tactics to use hand ignitions to ensure all unburned fuels were removed. All fire activity was contained within pre-determined containment lines.

Today, if conditions are optimal, the planned aerial ignition may occur on the northeastern flank that will build off of yesterday's hand ignitions. The goal of this operation is to secure the containment line by removing unburned fuels along this flank. This strategy will provide a fuel free area and increases the overall effectiveness of suppression operations by preventing any further spread. In preparation for these operations, a water truck will spray water along the containment line to cool down the edge and additional firefighters and helicopters will be on site. The conditions will be monitored closely and plans may change as conditions change.

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We do not take doing these operations lightly and will closely evaluate conditions and plans may change as conditions change.

Heavy equipment will continue to re-enforce the containment lines.

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FORECAST

A flat upper ridge will continue over southern B.C. Areas further south will have variable cloud and sunny breaks. Areas of smoke will persist mainly over the eastern Cariboo. For Sunday little change in the overall pattern but models suggest a slightly stronger system will move in atop the ridge to give a shower chance to many areas. Showers for southern section's quite spotty.

For Monday we continue with a flat ridge of high pressure over southern B.C. however the main axis of the ridge has moved east to the Canadian prairies. This will allow another weak system to move atop the ridge and spread cloud and the chance of showers into the fire centre. Only the chance of a brief shower for southern areas. By Tuesday the pattern over western Canada will retrogress with the offshore low moving further off the coast. This will strengthen the ridge, bringing warmer temperatures. The warming trend will continue into Wednesday as the ridge holds over southern and central B.C.

EVACUATION ALERTS AND ORDERS:

On July 21, the Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) expanded the Evacuation Order for a total of 103 properties. An additional 231 properties in the area remain on Evacuation Alert. Please contact the [Thompson-Nicola Regional District](#) / 250-377-7188 for more information regarding the Evacuation Orders and Alerts.

FIRE DANGER RATING

