



Young Lake
(C41097)

FIRE SIZE:
4,937 ha (estimated)

FIRE STATUS:
Out of Control

RESOURCES:

Currently, there are 40 firefighters, 3 helicopter, and 17 pieces of heavy equipment on site.

UPDATES:

The Young Lake wildfire is estimated at 4,937 hectares and is classified as Out of Control.

Aerial ignitions were completed on the eastern flank of the fire yesterday. This operation was conducted to remove the unburnt fuel between the containment lines and the fire. Crews have begun mop up operations along the east flank in area where planned ignitions occurred to ensure these areas are secured.

Heavy equipment continues to widen and re-enforce containment lines along the eastern flank moving south.

If conditions are optimal, planned aerial ignitions will occur on the eastern flank today and will remove unburned fuels between the fire perimeter and pre-determined control lines that have been re-enforced with machine guard. Planned ignitions are an essential and effective tactic that the BC Wildfire Service uses to help contain wildfires. This tactic will bring the fire's edge to more accessible locations where ground crews can safely deliver water. The smoke from this planned ignitions will be highly visible to surrounding areas.

Firefighters will use hand ignitions to blackline the edge of the containment line prior to aerial ignitions and a water truck and aviation support that will provide cooling action.



Successful planned ignition on July 29, 2021.

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

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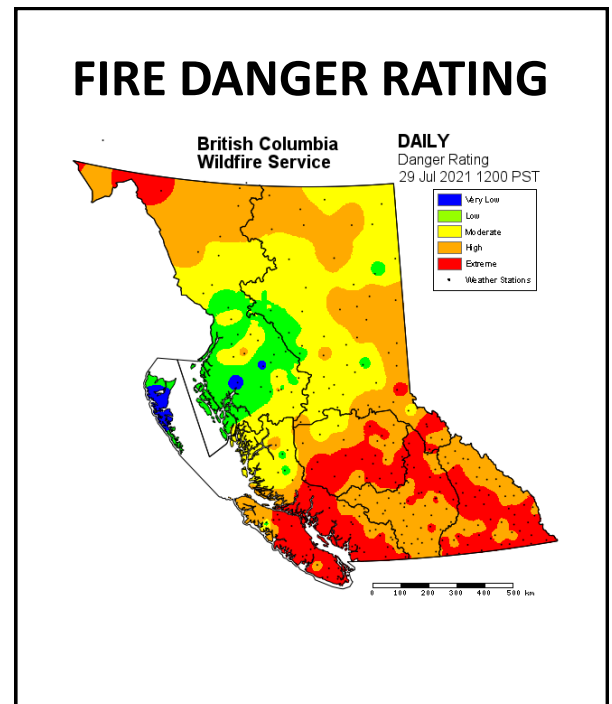


FORECAST

The weather pattern for the fire centre is dominated by a strong upper ridge. With daytime heating the airmass aloft does get a little unstable. For Saturday the pattern is similar except the air-mass will be more unstable with daytime heating.

By Sunday a trough in the southerly flow aloft of southern B.C. advances northward. The flow is southerly because our strong ridge by this time period will have edged eastward to be just east of the Rockies. With an upper low in the Gulf of Alaska the two features combine to give us a southerly flow over south central B.C. By Sunday late afternoon models show an impulse crossing the border into southern sections of B.C. This trough then expands northwards into the fire centre for Monday. This pattern will give an increasing chance of convective weather spreading northwards into the fire centre. Temperatures will be cooler and rh values will rise.

By Tuesday the upper trough will move north and northeastward away from the fire centre but there should be enough instability to give an isolated chance of further thunderstorm activity mainly over eastern sections.



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.