



White Rock Lake
(K61884)

FIRE SIZE
81,139 hectares (estimate)

FIRE STATUS
Out of Control

This fire was first discovered on Sunday, July 13, 2021 and is approximately 34 kilometres northwest of Vernon. The cause of this wildfire is under investigation.

CONDITIONS:

Wide spread smoke remain in the area of Vernon, as the forecast calls for warm and dry weather today.

TODAY: Mostly sunny, with a mix of sun and cloud in the afternoon. MAX TEMP: 23C MIN RH: 30% WINDS: variable 5-15 km/hr.

WEATHER OUTLOOK: The upper ridge will be flattened by an upper trough crossing northern BC. Temperatures will cool one or two degrees Wednesday and winds will be light north to the northwest. As the trough moves east, a northwest flow will be established over the region, and on Friday an upper low in the flow will move over the northwest Washington State with isolated showers in the fire centre region along the US border. Temperatures will still be in the mid to light 20's and will be light north.

STRUCTURE PROTECTION:

The structure protection branch consists 143 structure protection personnel from various fire departments. Structure protection specialists are working 24-hours a day around communities most affected by current wildfire activity. Two Type 1 Structure Protection Unit (SPU) trailers, seven Type 2 SPU trailer, 20 engines, five mass-water delivery systems, and 16 water tenders are also assigned to the structure protection branch.

Structure Protection personnel are demobilizing hose, pumps and sprinklers in areas that no longer require structure protection.

Every property that is, or has been, at risk from the wildfire has been assessed and triaged. Structure protection is working in the interface and intermix areas, including rural properties throughout the fire perimeter, where possible to conduct structure protection.

RESOURCES:

Wildland Firefighters – 263

Heavy Equipment – 57

Danger tree assessors/fallers – 17

Helicopters – 16 assigned

Incident Management Team

STRUCTURE PROTECTION:

Personnel – 143

Structure Protection Unit Trailers— nine (two Type 1 and seven Type 2)

Equipment – 20 engines, 16 water tenders, and five mass-water delivery systems. Structure protection personnel are remaining on site through the night to provide 24/7 structure protection continuity.

AREA RESTRICTION ORDER:

The BC Wildfire Service has implemented an Area Restriction Order in the vicinity of the White Rock Lake wildfire. The size of the Area Restriction Order reflects the need to protect the public in areas where there are ongoing fire suppression activities. For more information, please review the [White Rock Lake Area Restriction Order](#) information bulletin and [map](#).

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

White Rock Lake Information Section

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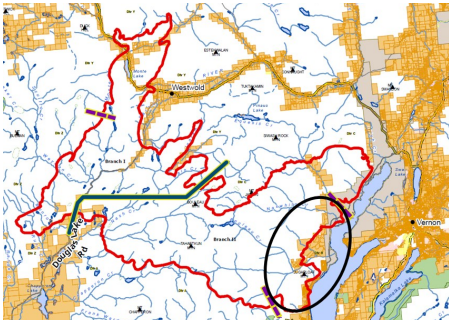
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OBJECTIVES:

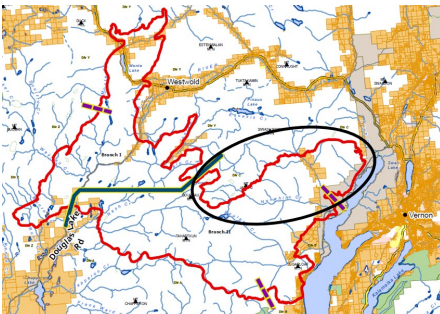
The wind event on August 15, caused many objectives to be re-assessed after growth was experienced on most of the perimeter. Objectives have been re-established and suppression efforts continue on all flanks of the wildfire.

Division Bravo (east flank): 135 wildland firefighters, heavy equipment, aerial support



Firefighters, equipment, and aerial resources will continue to defend pre-established containment lines above communities. Heavy equipment continues to work on constructing containment lines from Birch Crescent to Naswhito Creek and from Beau Road to Cherry Plantation. Structure protection is being assessed and applied where necessary and maintained elsewhere. Wildfire Officers are continuously assessing fire progression to develop a plan for any breaches of the containment line. Significant growth of the wildfire was observed on the east flank on the August 5 wind event. The most significant growth was down into Okanagan Indian Band IR#1 and across Westside road in the Fintry Park / Ewing area.

Division Charlie (northeast flank, south of Glenemma): 31 wildland firefighters, heavy equipment, aerial support



Significant growth of the wildfire was observed on the northeast flank since the wind event on August 5. The most significant growth was from Naswhito Creek across Six Mile Creek. Today, heavy equipment continues guard construction at Irish Creek, working westward, and from Cedar Creek working eastward. Firefighters are also working in the wildland urban interface mopping up and extinguishing hot spots.

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OBJECTIVES:

Division Yankee (north flank): 117 wildland firefighters, heavy equipment, aerial support



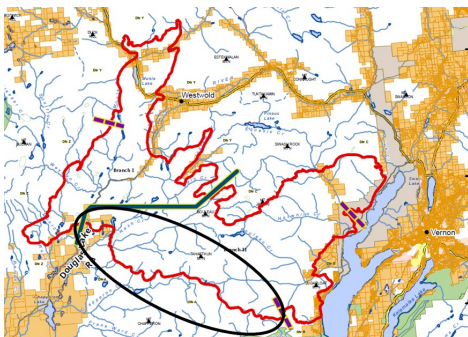
Firefighters are holding the line where a successful planned ignition was recently completed. Very little wildfire growth has been observed on the northwest flank in recent days. Firefighters continue to mop-up where the ignition operation took place. Mop-up activity is also taking place on Adelphi FRS to Woods Lake, Grange FSR west to Douglas Road, from Biancotto Lake north to Paxton Lake, and from Onion guard north to Hwy 97. Heavy equipment operators continue with guard construction south of the powerlines.

Division Zulu (west flank): aerial resources



Wildfire Officers continue to monitor this flank of the fire. No growth has been observed along this flank over the past week.

Division Alpha (south flank): aerial resources



Wildfire Officers continue to monitor this flank of the fire. A 50-kilometre contingency guard has been established south of the fire perimeter from Chapperon Lake moving eastward towards Fintry Park.

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EVACUATION ALERTS AND ORDERS:

The following government authorities have implemented Evacuation Alerts and Orders. Please contact the applicable local authority for more details on the Evacuation Alerts and Orders.

The Thompson-Nicola Regional District has Evacuation Orders and Evacuation Alerts in place.

[Thompson-Nicola Regional District](#) / 250-377-7188

The Columbia-Shuswap Regional District has Evacuation Orders and Evacuation Alerts in place.

[Columbia-Shuswap Regional District](#) / 250-833-3350

The Regional District of North Okanagan has an Evacuation Order in place.

[Regional District of North Okanagan](#) / 250-550-3700

The Okanagan Indian Band has an Evacuation Alert in place for IR #1.

[Okanagan Indian Band](#) / OKIBEOCInformationOfficer@okanagan.org / 250-241-5809

The Regional District of Central Okanagan has Evacuation Orders and Alerts in place.

[Regional District of Central Okanagan](#) / 250-469-8490 (local) or 1-877-569-8490 (toll-free)

The Spltasín First Nation has an Evacuation Alert in place.

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The City of Vernon has an Evacuation Alert in place.

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The Township of Spallumcheen has an Evacuation Alert in place.

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