

INCIDENT UPDATE

Juliet Creek (K62317)

This information is current as of:	August 23, 2018
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Fire camp	Merritt ICP
Incident overview	The fire was discovered on August 8 th and was actively monitored due to the remote location of the incident and stretched resources across the Province. On August 12 th heavy equipment resources commenced work on the incident. The status of this fire is out of control.
Weather forecast	A few cloudy periods. High temperature 15 C and low RH near 30%. Winds W 10-20 km/h, becoming W 15-25 G35 km/h near 15:00. No nocturnal inversion anticipated on Thursday morning. Overnight low near 6 C and RH recovery to near 60%. Winds W 10-20 km/h. The upper trough passes to the east on Friday and another upper trough digs in for Saturday and Sunday. Isolated to scattered showers may occur over the weekend or early next week. Temperatures will remain in the teens and RH values will be in the thirties and forties. Winds will be light to moderate southwest each day.
Fire behavior prediction	Poor-Moderate RH recovery (40%) over Wednesday night may mean fire behaviour may pick up early in the day. Peak temperatures and dry parts of the day are expected around 13:00 ahead of the gusty conditions, and gusty conditions may coincide with moister RH and cooler temperatures. There may be some marginal instability in the afternoon, although thunderstorms are not currently expected. The potential for aggressive fire behavior exists with fast rates of spreads and elevated intensities in all fuel types. Gusty winds may lead to erratic fire behaviour and spotting.
Challenges	Two spots popped up early yesterday morning. The second spot popped up as crews were hiking out to the first. Due to increased fire behaviour and wind direction crews had to be pulled back to a safe location. As a result of the spots there will be an increase in size to the fire perimeter.
Yesterday's achievements	Crews made great progress on the north flank of the fire and fire activity remains calm at the head of the fire. Crews also made great progress on one of the two spots that popped up and by the end of the day the fire behaviour on the second spot had decreased.
Today's objectives	Continue to mop up along the fire perimeter and to mop up the two spots. Crews will work to re-establish lines on the southeast flank of the fire in the area of the larger spot. If conditions allow crews will conduct planned ignitions to tie contingency lines into the perimeter of the spotting that occurred.

Definitions: Stages of Control

Out of Control:	Describes a wildfire that is not responding (or only responding on a limited basis) to suppression action, such that the perimeter spread is not being contained.
Being Held:	Indicates that (with the resources currently committed to the fire) that sufficient suppression action has been taken that the fire is not likely to spread beyond existing or predetermined boundaries under the prevailing and forecasted conditions.
Under Control:	Indicates that the fire has received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.
Out:	Indicates that the fire has been extinguished.

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