

INCIDENT UPDATE

Whitetail (N41525)

This information is current as of:	August 9, 2018
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Incident overview	283 hectares in size. 63 personnel on site today. 3 helicopters and 4 heavy equipment resources are assigned to the fire. This wildfire is classified as out of control. This is a modified response fire. The fire is being managed using direct and indirect attack management tactics and fire behaviour monitoring to contain the fire within pre-determined perimeters. This type of response is used to minimise costs and damage, and to maximize ecological benefits from the fire.
Weather forecast	Sun with smoky skies. 33-36°C. Winds becoming SW 10 to 20 km/hr during the afternoon, possible afternoon gusts up to 30.
Fire behavior prediction	The hot, dry weather and forecasted gusty winds this afternoon will lead to increased fire behavior. The upper southwesterly flow will bring in smoke from our neighbours to the south. Overnight recoveries will be poor.
Challenges	Higher temperatures and dry weather are causing increased fire behavior. Dangerous trees and extremely steep terrain make conditions in certain areas challenging for ground crews to work.
Yesterday's achievements	The fire is now 40% contained and 55% guarded. Crews continue to work on hot spots adjacent to containment lines on the fire and continue to work on establishing new containment lines.
Today's objectives	Fire personnel continue to build guard and extinguish hot spots to limit fire growth.
Other	

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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