



FIRE NAME

Heather Lake (V11746)

FIRE SIZE (hectares):

10,901ha, 5,439ha in BC

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

The Heather Lake wildfire originated in the United States, in the Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest and crossed the border into the E.C. Manning Provincial Park on September 2, 2022. The BC Wildfire Service is working collaboratively with BC Parks to manage this incident.

RESOURCES:

Eight wildland firefighters are assigned to this fire working with an additional six structural protection personnel, three helicopters, and one water tender.

UPDATES:

Conditions have improved significantly since the weekend with low temperatures and winds and higher humidity reducing fire activity to Rank 1 and 2. Visibility will remain a challenge, but favourable conditions are forecasted to continue with rain overnight on the 13-14th. There is a moderate risk of lightning Tuesday reducing on Wednesday. Helicopters will continue bucketing to reduce fire intensity and slow growth as visibility allows. Structural Protection is now being demobilized. Initial Attack fire fighters will patrol Highway 3 for any fire spotting across between Manning Park lodge and Eastgate.

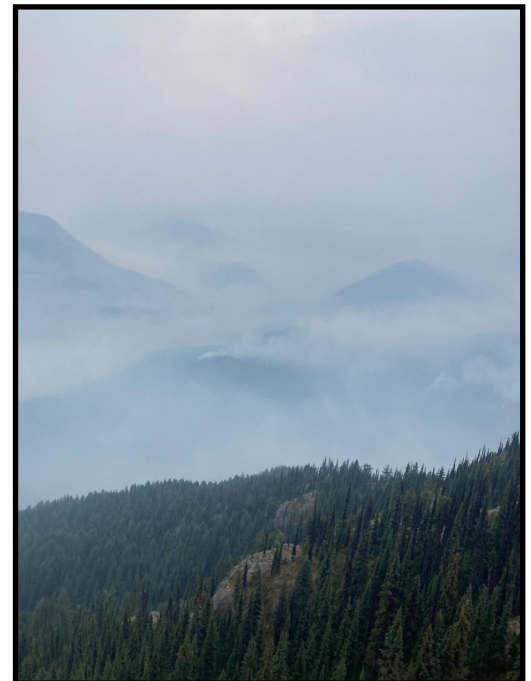
EVACUATION ALERTS AND ORDERS:

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) has issued an Evacuation

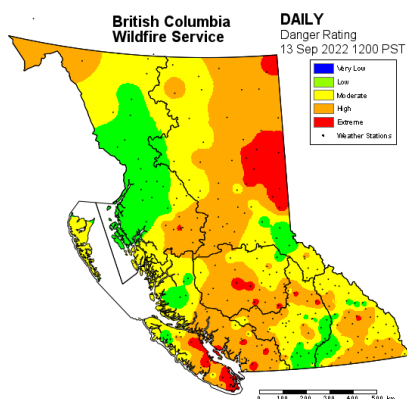
Alert for the community of Eastgate. Evacuation

Alerts are implemented with the intent of giving residents time to prepare for the event they are required to vacate their premises. For full information on this alert: [here](#) For more information on the Heather Lake Wildfire, visit the Wildfires of Note page: [here](#)

BC Parks has issued evacuation orders and alerts for trails and facilities south of Highway 3 that are affected by the fire. For details, including a map of affected areas, visit www.bcparks.ca. BC Wildfire Service has worked with the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen, BC Parks, Upper Similkameen Indian Band, and Lower Similkameen Indian Band as well as the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to provide information to keep residents safe.



Heather Lake Wildfire—Sept 13



Fire Danger Rating 13/09/22

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