



BC Wildfire
Service



CARIBOO FIRE CENTRE

Wildfire Status Update

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Overview

Effective at 12:00 p.m. (noon) Pacific Daylight Time on Friday, July 7, 2023, Category 1 campfires will be prohibited throughout the Cariboo Fire Centre and the Tsilhqot'in (Xeni Gwet'in) Declared Title Area Centre to help prevent human-caused wildfires and protect public safety.

In addition to all open fires being prohibited, the following activities and equipment are also restricted:

- Fireworks
- Sky lanterns
- Burn barrels or burn cages of any size or description
- Binary exploding targets
- Tiki and similar kinds of torches
- Chimineas
- Air curtain burners

Cariboo Contact Information

Cariboo Fire Information

Officer:

1-778-799-2100

Fire Information Line:

1-888-336-7378

Burn Registration Line:

1-888-797-1717

Fire Activity

Fires currently burning: 6

New fires last week: 8

	This Fire Season (since April 1)	Last Year (2022)	10-Year Avg. (2012-2022)
Total Fires to Date	81	51	74
Total Hectares to Date	2874	264	1178

Active Fires

There are six active fires in the Cariboo Fire Centre.

Chilcotin Zone: C51136 is 0.1 hectares in size and is classified as Under Control.

Central Cariboo Zone: C30399, C30572, C30446 and C31143 are within the wet belt of the Central Cariboo Zone. These fires are being handled with a modified response and are being monitored as required.

100 Mile House Zone: C41129 is 1.2 hectares in size and is classified as Being Held.

"**Out of control**": The fire is not contained, and still has potential to spread.

"**Being Held**": Under current fire conditions, such as wind and weather, the fire is not expected to grow.

"**Under control**": The fire is not expected to grow any larger.

Learn more about [Wildfire Rank](#) and [Stages of Control](#).

Zone Fire Danger Rating and Activity Level

Weather Forecast

Zone	Fire Danger Rating	Activity Level
Quesnel	Moderate - Extreme	3
Williams Lake	Moderate - High	2
Horsefly	Moderate - High	2
100 Mile House	Moderate - High	2
Chilcotin	Moderate - Extreme	3

Learn more about [Fire Danger Rating](#) and [Zone Activity Levels](#).

A higher risk of lightning is expected this burning period particularly east of the Fraser. Light and variable winds are forecast creating excellent drying conditions. Expect erratic strong downdrafts near any thundershower/storm.

On Friday expect a high risk of afternoon/evening thundershowers across the Fire Centre, presenting a higher risk of ignition. Unstable conditions will continue into the weekend with lightning activity expected Saturday and Sunday. Excellent drying conditions will continue through the weekend with temperatures remaining in the 28-32 degree range and RH values between 15-25%. Winds are forecast to remain light.

On Monday expect unstable conditions with some widely scattered lightning activity. More extensive cloud and showers/rain are expected to develop by Monday evening and continue overnight. Light winds persisting in all zones. Seasonal temperatures and moderate RH values are expected for next week with a return to above normal temps/crossover expected for later in the week. Winds remaining light.

Fire Prohibitions and Restrictions



Open Burning

Category 3 prohibited since
May 4 & Category 2
prohibited since May 11

Campfires

Prohibited as of July 7

Forest Use Restrictions

Not in effect as of June 1

[View current fire bans and restrictions](#)

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