



Nk'Mip Creek

(K52061)

FIRE SIZE:

6,800 hectares (estimated)

FIRE STATUS:

Out of Control

RESOURCES:

An Incident Management Team, 134 firefighters, five helicopters, 46 structure protection personnel, 26 pieces of heavy equipment and numerous other support positions are working on the Nk'Mip Creek wildfire. In total, there are 244 personnel currently committed to the response operation.

On Sunday evening, 98 firefighters from Mexico arrived with two agency representatives and an administrative support resource. They have received their operational and safety briefings and have begun work on the fireline. Kx Hall, a host with Osoyoos Indian Band, welcomed the personnel to the traditional lands of the Syilx People with a prayer and drumming.



Kx Hall welcoming firefighting personnel from Mexico on Sunday, July 25, 2021

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

Nk'Mip Creek Wildfire Information Team | Hours: 0800—1600

403 431-1158 | BCWS.IMT8IO@gov.bc.ca



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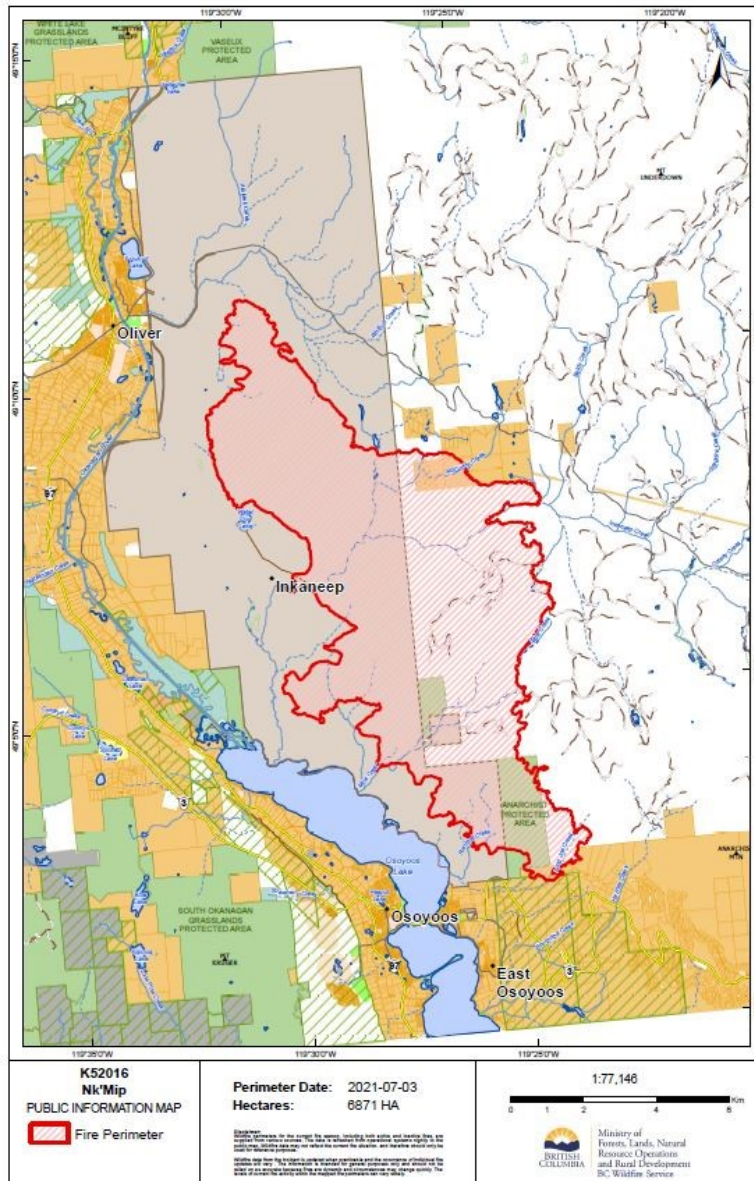


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UPDATE:

Fire growth has been observed and aerial mapping has been requested but due to smoke conditions and fire behaviour, a track has not been able to be completed. Fire activity has been moderate with mostly surface fire and some trees torching. The fire is still active but not as challenging. Heavy equipment has made good progress on the eastern cat guard. Firefighting personnel and heavy equipment remain on site overnight doing structure protection.



OBJECTIVES:

Branch A will be assessing and falling danger trees on the north side of the fire. Crews will continue to patrol and mop up around residential areas near McKinney Rd, Nk'Mip Rd and Shrike Hill, burning off any unburnt fuel, reinforcing existing guards and extinguishing hotspots [FireSmart](#) work on properties is ongoing. By removing available fuels from within home ignition zones and around facilities, fires are less likely to impact interface areas.

Branch Z is continuing structure protection near the Anarchist Mountain community. Patrols and mop up continue on the fire's southern perimeter. Crews are constructing and reinforcing hand guard to tie into machine guards on the fire's south edge and eastward. There was a small excursion over the fire guard near Bullmoose Rd which crews are working to contain.

Heavy equipment is progressing with guard assessment and line construction near Shrike and the contingency line near Mt Baldy and Sidley Meadows. Equipment is also being utilized to supply water for facility protection.



FORECAST:

Yesterday, skies stayed smoky in the vicinity of the Nk'Mip Creek Wildfire. Winds were light and variable until the evening when they shifted downslope and continued as such until this morning, keeping the fire active. Smoke is expected to lift as the day progresses.

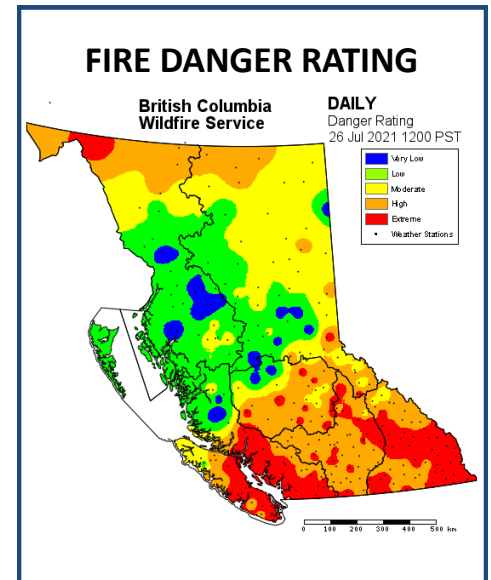
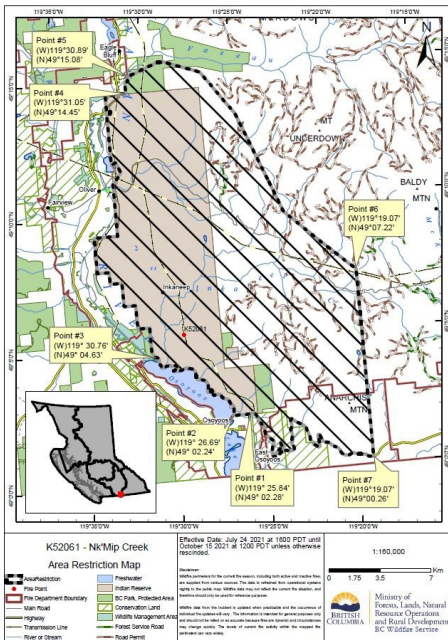
Today, temperatures will be around 30 degrees Celsius and relative humidity val-

AREA RESTRICTION:

The BC Wildfire Service has implemented an Area Restriction Order for the vicinity of the Nk'Mip Creek wildfire (K52061).

View an enlarged map of the affected area [here](#).

The information bulletin for the Area Restriction is available [here](#).



EVACUATION ORDERS AND ALERTS:

The [Osoyoos Indian Band](#) (OIB) have issued Evacuation Alerts and Orders for properties within their jurisdiction. Please contact them at 250 498-3117 for details.

The [Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen](#) (RDOS) have issued Evacuation Alerts and Orders for properties in Electoral Area "A", "C" and some properties in the town of Oliver. Please contact the Emergency Operations centre at 250 490-4225 or visit their website for details. The RDOS has declared a local State of Emergency.

The [Regional District of Kootenay Boundary](#) (RDKB) have issued Evacuation Alerts and Orders for Electoral Area “E”/West Boundary. The order and alert areas in the RDKB affect the communities of Sidley, Mount Baldy, Bridesville and Rock Creek. Please contact them at 1 888 747-9119 for details.

Spot a wildfire, smoke or illegal fire activity? Call 1 800 663-5555 or *5555 on your cellphone.