



Boulder Mountain Fire

Daily Update



Monday, September 5, 2022

Boulder Mountain Fire Information 509-508-3389 (8am-8pm) | 2022.bouldermountain@firenet.gov

Summary: The Boulder Mountain Fire was detected on Wednesday August 31st, 2022, at approximately 8:30 pm. The fire is located in the Tacoma Creek and Boulder Mountain area, 9 miles Northwest of Cusick, Washington. A mix of State, Federal and Private land is impacted. The terrain is difficult, and the fire is burning in heavy timber, slash, and beetle infested trees. Cause of the fire remains under investigation. Great Basin Team 7, a Type 2 Incident Management Team assumed command of the fire today at 6:00 a.m.

Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior: Gusty winds on the ridges overnight give way to calmer conditions for Monday. Lower temperatures and higher relative humidity are expected to help moderate fire behavior through Tuesday.

Actions: Team members spent yesterday scouting opportunities to engage the fire and develop a long-term plan to minimize the growth of the fire. Heavy brush and dead and down timber continue to be the driving source of growth to the fire. Fire behavior was moderate with some group tree torching which resulted in small spot fires. Aircraft played a major role in slowing the growth of the fire. Air tankers dropping retardant and “scoopers” along with helicopters dropping water played a critical role in yesterday’s operation until they were diverted to another incident later in the day.

The plan for today is to continue to build and strengthen containment lines with dozers, masticators, and chippers along with hand crews. The resources are working hard to tie in existing roads and widen areas both for better access and as potential fire breaks. Aircraft resources will be back over the fire dropping water as needed to assist with fire suppression efforts. Firefighters are working closely to curb and contain spot fires created by windy conditions.

Important Information: The safety of firefighters and the public remain the highest priority for the incident management team. The public can assist by staying clear of the area as long drives, tight roads, and limited visibility already increase the risk of those working to suppress the Boulder Mountain fire.

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	9 miles NW of Cusick, WA in Tacoma Creek and Boulder Mtn.
Size	1210 Acres
Containment	0%
Start Date	8/31/22
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Mike Johnston, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Personnel	191
Online Links	
Inciweb:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8382/ 	
Facebook:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> @NeWFireInfo 	
Washington State Department of Natural Resources:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> www.dnr.wa.gov/wildfires 	
Colville National Forest	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> www.fs.usda.gov/colville 	



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