



Boulder Mountain Fire

Daily Update



Sunday, September 11, 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.

Weather: Expect a “lazy smoke” day today with the continued stale inversion and temperatures similar to yesterday. Poor air quality will continue before improving in the beginning of the work week. Monday will bring a drop to more seasonal temperatures and increase relative humidity. Winds are expected to shift again today and are expected to be from the west to southwest.

Actions: Saturday’s weather allowed the firefighters to conduct a successful small scale burning operation. These firing operations are a process where crews intentionally ignite fuels in specific areas to make the fire more manageable and safer as firefighter efforts move from line construction to mop up. Dozer and hand line work continues around the area of fire spread from Thursday’s wind event. Several edges of the fire are carrying heat, but a lot of progress has occurred in tamping these areas down. Hose lays are in place and crews are utilizing these hose lays to target hot spots, cooling the edge allowing further mop up of the interior.

Today expect moderate fire activity as the fire continues to consume the patches of unburned fuel inside the perimeter. The south and southwest winds direction will push the fire back onto itself, helping with interior consumption. With hand and dozer line in place around the majority of the fire, the winds shouldn’t result in dramatic growth. Progress is evident from the crew’s efforts with hose lay and mop up and we anticipate an increase in further containment this evening.

Important Information: As we reflect on the tragedy from the events of 9/11 take a moment to thank the first responders. We too, want to thank all the communities and the local residents for the support and assistance they provide as responders work in their neighborhoods to keep them safe. The goal each day continues to be, everyone returning home safely.

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	9 miles NW of Cusick, WA in Tacoma Creek and Boulder Mtn.
Size	2,076 acres
Containment	10%
Start Date	8/31/22
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Mike Johnston, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Personnel	517
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 	
Air Quality Informational	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.airnow.gov/ 	



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