



Boulder Mountain Fire

Daily Update



Friday, September 16, 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 6:00 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 | Anticipated Fire Behavior: Higher humidity levels and low cloud cover helped reduce fire activity yesterday. The sun did come out and begin the drying process later in the day, but overnight temps and rising humidity took the edge off any gains. Today, expect windy conditions as a cold front approaches this evening. Winds will be out of the southwest again which will continue to push areas of heat further into the fire's interior. Firefighters were able to employ infrared equipment to pinpoint and target hot spots, thus allowing for more direct firefighting efforts. Steady gains are being made daily as containment grew to 59%.

Actions: Extensive mop up of the fire's edge, coupled with patrolling will continue to take place over the next several days. The interior of the fire still has several areas of heat as large fuels continue to burn. Fallers are working to remove hazards trees allowing hand crews to move closer to the hot edge and continue suppression efforts. Additional resources are beginning to implement suppression repair in areas where the fire is contained.

Important Information: Even with no, or limited smoke the Boulder Mountain Fire is far from "out." There are approximately 500 personnel still working on the fire and in the surrounding area, continuing to mop up the hot edges, cut hazard trees, and securing control lines. Not to mention all the heavy equipment repairing suppression dozer lines and roads used daily for various fire apparatus. The Colville National Forest still has a road and area closure in place to protect those responders still responding to this incident. Thank you to the public for adhering to this closure and their continued support of all the boots on the ground!

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	9 miles NW of Cusick, WA in Tacoma Creek and Boulder Mtn.
Size	2,305 acres
Containment	59%
Start Date	8/31/22
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Mike Johnston, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Personnel	521
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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