



Boulder Mountain Fire

Daily Update



Saturday, September 17, 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: Yesterday's cooler temperatures and higher humidity once again assisted with firefighting efforts. Today we expect a similar weather pattern with cool temperatures continuing through the weekend. Fire activity is primarily creeping and smoldering with heat still registering in the large dead and downed fuels but overall fire behavior is minimal.

Actions: Continued patrol and mop up will take place as crews move deeper into the burn area using hose lays and water to add depth to control lines. A few sections of the fire's edge are experiencing heat as well. The equipment needed for suppression repair is in place with the plan in motion around contained areas of the fire. This work includes repairing dozer lines, hand lines and improving impacted roads.

Important Information: Today is the final day of operations under Great Basin Team 7's command. NW Team 13 - Incident Management Type 2 team under the command of Brian Gales, assumes control of the fire Sunday at 630am. During our 14-days on the fire there's been an immense amount of hard work from the firefighters and other resources. We've made great progress and are proud to state the fire is now 74% contained. Fighting fire is never an individual effort. The support of the local communities, the Kalispell Tribe, the local and state agencies helped to make this possible. We want to thank everyone for their efforts and cooperation. Thank you for letting us be a part of your team.

- Mike Johnston, Incident Commander Great Basin Team 7

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	9 miles NW of Cusick, WA in Tacoma Creek and Boulder Mtn.
Size	2,305 acres
Containment	74%
Start Date	8/31/22
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Mike Johnston, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Personnel	476
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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