

# Six Mile and Stranger Creek II Fire Daily Update

August 21, 2024



## Quick Facts: Six Mile

**Size:** 113 Acres      **Start Date:** August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024      **Cause:** Lightning  
**Location:** Two miles east of Nine Mile Hellgate Road, near the head of Cottonwood Creek  
**Containment:** 10%      **Personnel:** 67      **Fire Strategy:** Full suppression  
**Resources Assigned:** 2 hand crews, 2 engines, 2 water tenders, 2 heavy equipment

The **Six Mile Fire** was initiated by lightning and is located approximately 26 miles southwest of Inchelium and is burning in the Williams Flat fire footprint from 2019. A spike camp has been set up to allow firefighters with quicker and safer response to and from the fire. Crews were able to begin mop-up operations at the heel of the fire, increasing containment to 10%. Snags, produced by the Williams Flat fire burning through the area, is a major hazard in this area, both to crews engaging as well as burning snags falling over the line. Additional crews will engage today, relieving the Mt. Tolman initial attack crews, allowing them to patrol and engage new starts from lightning that came through last night and early this morning.

## Quick Facts: Stranger Creek II Fire

**Size:** 66 Acres      **Start Date:** August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024      **Cause:** Lightning  
**Location:** ¼ mile east/southeast of South Twin Lake  
**Containment:** 10%      **Personnel:** 83      **Fire Strategy:** Full suppression  
**Resources Assigned:** 3 hand crews, 4 engines, 5 water tenders, 1 heavy equipment

The **Stranger Creek II Fire** was initiated by lightning and is located approximately 7 miles southwest of Inchelium and 1 mile east of Twin Lakes. The fire began in logging slash and is lined with dozer line and all forward fire progression has stopped. Wildland firefighting engines and a hotshot hand crew arrived yesterday, relieving Mt. Tolman units, allowing them to disengage and be ready for initial attack on other possible fire starts. Today crews will continue to construct a hose lay around the fire. Tenders on site will be able to bring water and allow crews to engage and extinguish hotspots more efficiently around the fire.

**Evacuations and Closures:** Road Closures: Inchelium Highway in front of Inchelium Community Center  
Evacuations: Level 1 evacuations remain in effect for Twin Lakes Area. For more information on evacuations contact CCT EOC (509) 634-7350. Law enforcement is patrolling around Stranger Creek II Fire to ensure public and firefighter safety in this area.

**Weather and Smoke:** Unsettled weather will continue for the next couple days. A weather system passing through the region this evening will bring a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Thunderstorms are possible (10%) into Thursday evening. General winds will shift to the northeast early Thursday morning and become breezy in the late morning and afternoon.

**InciWeb Six Mile:** <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wacoa-six-mile>  
**InciWeb Stranger Cr II:** <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wacoa-stranger-creek-ii>  
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