



# Miners Complex Fire

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11:00 AM, August 17, 2024

<b>Estimated size:</b>	1,098 acres
<b>Start Date/Time:</b>	July 17, 2024
<b>Area of Origin:</b>	21 air miles east of Darrington WA
<b>Cause:</b>	Lightning
<b>Fuels/Topography:</b>	timber, rugged terrain
<b>Structures Damaged:</b>	None, there are no homes threatened at this time.
<b>Evacuations:</b>	None

The Miners Complex consists of ten wildfires caused by lightning strikes in the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. The fires included in the complex are Miners Fire, Vista Ridge Fire, Dolly Creek Fire, Sulphur Three Fire, Sulphur Four Fire, Sulphur Thirty-Four Fire, Upper Sulphur Thirty-Two Fire, Lower Sulphur Thirty-Two Fire, Plummer, and Middle Ridge Fire.

**Update:** Minimal fire behavior has continued with slightly warmer temperatures due to high relative humidities, good overnight recoveries, and cloud cover. Despite the cooler weather, the fire remains active and firefighters have patrolled the area over the last few days. With today’s forecasted warm weather and expected thunderstorms, firefighters continue to patrol and monitor fire behavior.

**Weather:** Conditions Saturday will be warm and dry with increasing instability in the afternoon. Widespread thunderstorms are expected this late evening with a disturbance, moving south to north near the fire. The storms may produce gusty and erratic winds, and bursts of heavy rain Saturday night into Sunday morning. While storms are expected to move quickly, any redeveloping storms may increase the threat for flash flooding. The threat for thunderstorms Sunday will decrease during the day as the disturbance departs. Mostly sunny and max temperatures around 82. East winds around 5mph.

**Smoke:** For more information on smoke and air quality please visit: <https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/>

**Closures:** The following is a summary of the areas closed due to the fires in the Miners Complex. Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail #2000.2 from Mica Lake to Suiattle Pass, Suiattle River Trail #784, Miners Ridge Trail #785, Buck Creek Pass Trail #789, Miners Cabin Trail #795, Grassy Point Trail #788, Sulphur Mountain Trail #794, Sulphur Creek Trail #793, Sulphur Creek Campground, Sulphur Creek Trailhead, and the Downey Creek trailhead. The full Closure Orders visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/mbs>

**Forest Restrictions:** The Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie has a full campfire ban and forest-wide shooting restrictions in place to help prevent human-caused starts during this period of unprecedented resource scarcity. Additional details at: [www.fs.usda.gov/mbs](https://www.fs.usda.gov/mbs)

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