



Red Bridge Road Fire

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AM UPDATE: June 11, 2025

Estimated Size: 53 acres
Containment: 20%
Start Date/Time: 6/9/2025 around 3:57 PM
Area of Origin: North of Red Bridge Road and East of Cle Elum WA
Cause: Undetermined
Structures Damaged: 2

Evacuation Levels and Road Closures: Yesterday at approximately 6:00 PM, the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office updated the evacuation levels for the areas surrounding the fire.

Level 3 (RED) - all properties from the 3100 block to the 5500 block of Red Bridge Road on the NORTH side of the road; all properties on Wiehl Road, Pine Duff Drive, Loping Lane, Nordic Lane, and Arrowleaf Lane. These properties are in or nearest to the fire footprint.

Level 2 (YELLOW) - all properties from the 5500 block of Red Bridge Road east to Teanaway Road on the SOUTH side of Red Bridge Road to SR-970.

For up-to-date evacuation information, please go to Kittitas County Live Active Fire Map.

Kittitas County Live Active Fire Map and Evacuations

(<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/instant/minimalist/index.html?appid=9b7680ade23f489bb150a0b2f719c8af>)

Update: Yesterday's firefighting operations focused on improving lines around the perimeter of the fire and extinguishing fire near control lines and structures. When a fire is described as "lined," it means that firefighters have established a fire line around the fire's perimeter. This line is typically an area that is cleared down to mineral soil to prevent the fire from spreading further. This can be achieved by using hand crews or by heavy equipment like bulldozers. This line is designed to stop forward progression of the fire but requires more work to ensure the fire won't be able to cross the fire line.

During the overnight shift, crews patrolled the fire, identifying and putting out any hot spots within the fire perimeter. Containment of the fire increased to 20% yesterday showing good progress in firefighting efforts. "Containment" refers to the percentage of the fire's perimeter that has been secured with control lines. However, containment does not necessarily mean the fire is extinguished; it indicates that the fire is controlled and will not spread beyond the established containment or control lines.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Today, crews will see partly cloudy conditions with temperatures in the low 80's. West winds will be present again today with anticipated red flag conditions. The fire is currently smoldering within its current perimeter.

Smoke: Air quality is good and smoke impacts are diminishing as mop up continues. For more information on smoke and air quality, please visit Washington Smoke Information (<https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/>).

Air Space Restrictions: There is a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) in place over the fire. Any unaccounted-for aircraft, including drones, puts aerial firefighting resources and lives at risk. If you fly, we can't. All firefighting aircraft have to be grounded if unmanned aircraft or drones are operating near the fire.

Sheltering: Sheltering is available for individuals who have evacuated their homes due to the Red Bridge Road Fire. Contact Kittitas County Sheriff's Office for assistance.

Resources: 140 personnel are currently working on the fire.

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