

Upriver Fire Update

June 18, 2026

8:30 am

Fire Information Line: 509-509-6818



Quick Facts

Size: 217 acres

Start Date: June 16, 2026

Cause: Under investigation

Location: Adjacent to Upriver Drive, north of Spokane River, Spokane County, WA

Containment: 10%

Structures Lost: 12 primary structures (confirmed)

Personnel: 348

Current Conditions: Last night, though there were slightly windy conditions, night shift fire fighters reported no active fire due to successful containment line improvements around the perimeter of the fire and structures during the past two days. Overnight humidity recovery aided in these suppression efforts. Weather today is expected to be warm and dry.

Today's operational focus prioritizes structure protection around homes and other values at risk. Firefighters continue to improve containment lines by extinguishing hidden embers adjacent to the constructed dozer or handline. Spokane County Fire District 9 resources remain on scene supporting the incident management team. State mobilization resources and additional firefighting personnel are actively engaged in suppression, patrol, and mop-up efforts. Two Type 1 helicopters are assigned to support suppression efforts and structure protection operations as needed and as conditions allow. Damage assessment is underway. Reports of structures impacted by the fire, including primary residences, are being evaluated and verified. Power companies are coordinating with firefighters to safely re-energize power lines into the area.

Evacuations: At 9:00 PM on June 17, updated evacuation levels took effect. Level 3 (go now) evacuations remain in place in areas closest to the fire perimeter. Level 2 may return home but be ready to leave. **Evacuation Center:** Spokane Valley Methodist Church 115 North Raymond Ave. Spokane Valley, WA. All evacuation notices are issued by Spokane County Emergency Management and Spokane Regional Emergency Communications (SREC). To check the evacuation status of your home please visit the interactive evacuation map located on the SREC website:

<https://srec911.maps.arcgis.com/.../lookup/index.html...>

Community Connect Public Information Opportunities: To provide the most accurate and updated information, local fire officials and information officers will be staffing three days of information sharing and local resources at Pasadena Park Church of the Nazarene (8822 E Upriver Drive, Spokane Valley) on Thursday, June 18 from 4:00-7:00 PM, and Friday and Saturday, June 19 and 20 from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. Information available at these Community Connect opportunities will include: Upriver Fire information, recovery and disaster assistance, and other pertinent community services and resources. All are welcome.

Safety Message: Hundreds of firefighters are on scene and need roads and trails to remain open and accessible for them to accomplish their work safely and be able to access or leave the area immediately in case of a medical or other emergency. Fire officials ask that public access is limited only to residents and other required entry for the safety of all.

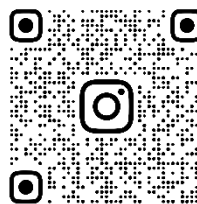
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