

**For immediate release  
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### **SMALL WILDFIRE BURNING APPROXIMATELY 8 KM NORTHWEST OF PEMBERTON**

**Pemberton, BC** – The B.C. Wildfire Service has advised the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) that a small wildfire, approximately 4 hectares in size, is currently burning on the west mountainside of the Pemberton Valley, about 8 km from the Village of Pemberton. The Miller Bench Fire was reported on June 26; it was sparked accidentally as a result of industrial road-building activities. The fire, while visible from the valley bottom, is burning in a relatively remote location; no structures are at risk and there is no threat to public safety at this time.

Yesterday, a 5-person initial attack crew, 20-person unit crew, and 2 helicopters were called to attend the fire. The helicopters bucketed the fire until sundown yesterday, and the crews are back onsite today. The plan for today is to complete a sprinkler line around the perimeter of the fire with the helicopters bucketing the fire as required.

The SLRD's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) has not been activated as a result of this wildfire. However, the BC Wildfire Service is keeping the SLRD's Emergency Program Manager informed and the EOC will be activated should conditions warrant.

The SLRD will continue to provide status updates on its website, [www.slrd.bc.ca](http://www.slrd.bc.ca), as conditions change or as more information becomes available.

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