



BC Wildfire
Service

COASTAL FIRE CENTRE

Wildfire Status Update



Bastion Peak wildfire (V31708) [Sept 4, 2025]

Report a Fire using *5555 or the App



A resident in the Pemberton Zone submitted this picture with her report of a fire during the lightning event on August 29, 2025.

Resources:

Crews and aviation resources are being shared between incidents where they can safely be deployed and assigned to incidents in closer proximity to identified priority areas.

Weather and Fire Behaviour

The Pemberton Zone has been experiencing warm and dry conditions for an extended period of time. Since lightning impacted the zone last week, 39 new wildfires have been detected (38 lightning-caused and one suspected human-caused). Most have now been extinguished. There are eight active fires remaining in the zone; five are classified as Out of Control and three are Being Held.

WEATHER SYNOPSIS: Smoky conditions over the next 24-36 hours will cause poor visibility and air quality. Smoke will likely pool in inlets and valley bottoms. Temperatures will be three to six degrees Celsius above the seasonal average and relative humidity will drop to the mid-teens to low 20s for the Pemberton Zone. Smoke and haze could help moderate temperatures. Thursday afternoon, the risk of thunderstorms increases, though smoke may limit storm activity. With the trough moving north and pushing smoke with it could open the door for more widespread thunderstorms.

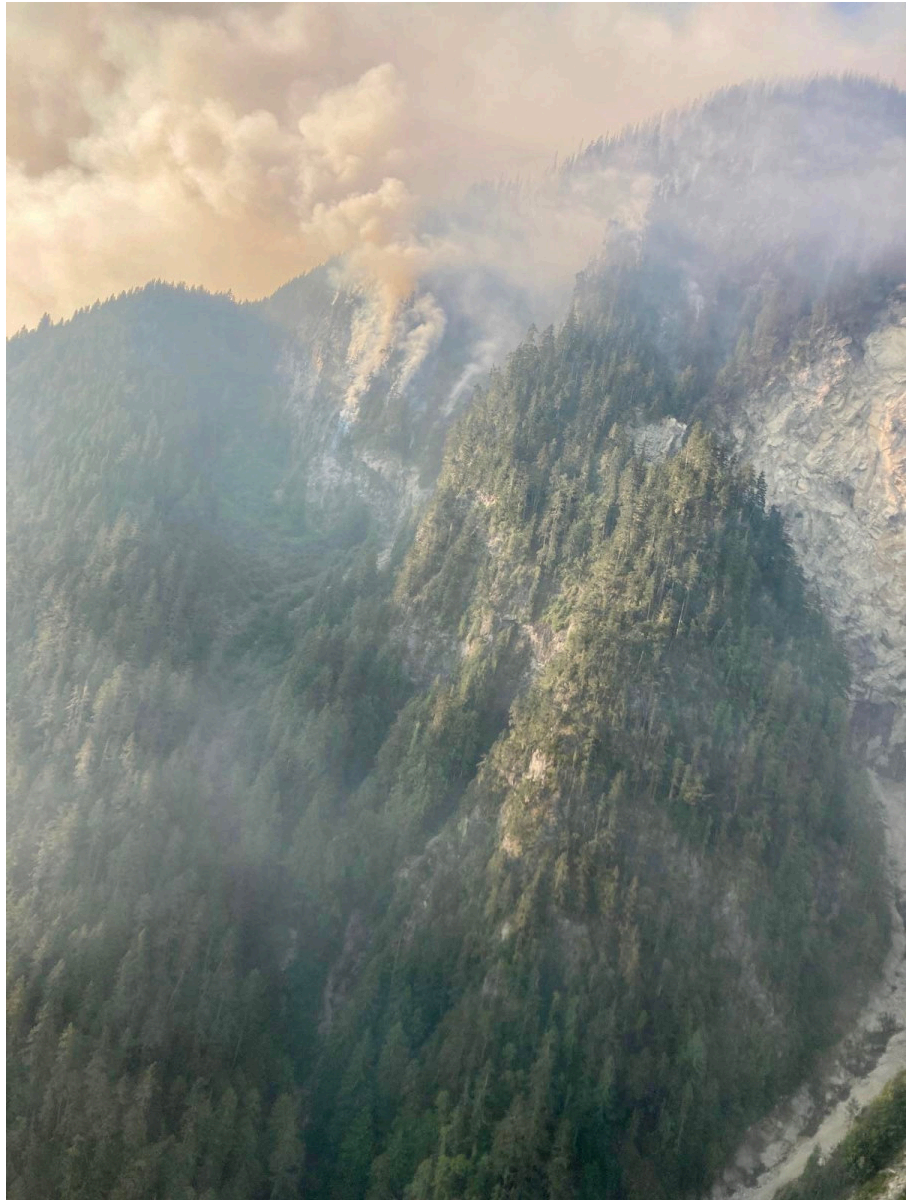
Thursday to Saturday: Smoke will clear out of the Coastal Fire Centre starting on Saturday, with haze remaining but better air conditions, generally. Convective storms could be produced throughout much of the Coastal Fire Centre. As an offshore low moves inland on Sunday, it will bring a dip in temperatures and scattered showers. While accumulations will be on the low end it will likely provide a downturn in fire behaviour. Storms could be produced Sunday afternoon but should come with rain.

Bans and Prohibitions

Campfire: In Effect

Category 2: In Effect

Category 3: In Effect



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Community Engagement:

- This incident is not an immediate threat to public safety, the community or critical infrastructure.
- The BC Wildfire Service is working to develop longer-term management strategies and tactics for the Bastion Peak fire.
- BCWS staff will continue to liaise with First Nations, industry partners and local governments to ensure prompt communication regarding fire activity and operations.

Public Safety Messages:

- Slope stability is a serious safety issue with this incident. Burning debris has been rolling downslope, causing fire growth.

- This fire is currently classified as Out of Control. The public is asked to stay out of the immediate vicinity as the area is unstable.

Operations:

- The fire continues to be active today. Smoke is visible from across Lillooet Lake and in parts of Pemberton this afternoon.
- The fire has burned down to the Green River Forest Service Road in several locations. This is strategically assisting us as BCWS is able to put crews on workable ground to continue direct attack.
- Today, we have a 20-person unit crew assigned to the incident along with bucketing helicopters.
- Objectives include preventing the fire from crossing the road and reaching the lake.
- Helicopters will bucket any spot fires across the forest service road and cool hot spots to hold containment lines in inaccessible locations.
- At higher elevation, this fire will continue to be active until weather conditions change.
- To the east there is a burn scar from 2020, which may slow down potential growth in that direction.
- Forward operational planning will guide future achievable objectives in cooperation with local First Nations and community partners.

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