



COMMUNICATION BULLETIN

Consistent community updates regarding the status of the Shetland Creek Wildfire will be as follows:

- Daily updates Monday - Friday by 2:00 pm on the Village Facebook Page, Website and poster at Post Office.
- After hours or weekend updates will only be posted when emergent information is received and must be communicated immediately to the public.
- Voyent Alerts will be sent for critical information only, not for daily fire status updates.

Reminder: Village of Ashcroft is in the all clear and no longer on Evacuation Alert as of July 25 at 15:30 hours.

Village approach is to plan, be prepared, stay informed and share information to our residents.

July 31, 2024 – UPDATE - SHETLAND CREEK WILDFIRE – K70910

Current size: 24,063.8 Hectares

The Village of Ashcroft remains at low risk

Weather/Fire Behaviour

- Warming and drying will increase progressively through the week.
- Expect increased fire behaviour.

Operations

North Flank: Oregon Jack Rd & Hat Creek Valley

- Fire remains south of Oregon Jack Road with low vigour surface fire (Rank 1-2).
- Danger trees are being assessed and felled along Oregon Jack Road.
- Securing the machine guard from Blue Earth Lake to Oregon Jack Park with hose, bladders, and sprinklers.
- Structure Protection personnel are assessing southern Hat Creek Valley to maintain protection apparatus.

East Flank: Venables Valley & Highway 1 Corridor

- Decreased fire behaviour observed in Venables Valley.

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- Structure Protection apparatus repositioned to areas with increased fire activity.
- Crews available to manage hotspots in Venables Valley.

South Flank: Spences Bridge/Twaal Valley

- Personnel working to secure the fire in the southeast corner.
- Structure Protection crews established in Spences Bridge with preventative measures.
- Crews coordinating with multiple agencies to maintain systems.

West Flank: Murray Creek

- Heavy equipment constructing guard south of Blue Earth Lake Park.
- Crews working to clean up roadside along west Murray Creek FSR for containment line.

Other

- Area Restriction for Shetland Creek wildfire (K70910) starts at 12 p.m. PDT on July 30. See information bulletin for details.
- Highway 1 is currently open. Conditions can change rapidly; check DriveBC for updates.
- Multiple Evacuation Orders and Alerts are in effect. Details available on EmergencyInfoBC.

NEXT UPDATE – THURSDAY August 1, 2024

For more information:

BC Wildfire Service at:

<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/incidents?fireYear=2024&incidentNumber=K70910>

Thompson Nicola Regional District at: <https://www.tnrd.ca/>

Village of Ashcroft at: <https://ashcroftbc.ca/>

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