



## 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.

**The Village of Ashcroft is in the “all clear”**

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

**August 13, 2024 – UPDATE - SHETLAND CREEK WILDFIRE – K70910**

**Current size: 28,081.95 Hectares**

**The Village of Ashcroft remains at low risk**

### **Weather/Fire Behaviour**

- Upper low remains over the region with slightly lower temperatures and higher humidity.
- Scattered thunderstorms expected over the next several days.
- Today: Sunny with increasing clouds and isolated thunderstorms.
- Temperatures: Mid 20s at higher elevations; high of 32°C in valley bottoms.
- Winds: South at 10-15 km/h, gusting to 25 km/h.
- Variable fire behaviour expected:
  - Potential for intermittent crown fire in areas without recent rain.
  - Southwest corner has highest potential for active burning.
  - Limited fire behaviour in areas that received rain.
  - Downdraft winds from thunderstorms may affect fire behaviour.
  - Low fire behaviour on north and east flanks; containment objectives are not challenged.

### **Resources**

- Incident Management Team has operational command.
- 154 ground personnel, including BC Wildfire Service, contract crews, equipment operators, and danger tree assessors/fallers.
- 17 helicopters assigned to the incident.
- 11 Structure Protection personnel and 1 Type 5 engine.
- 21 pieces of heavy equipment.

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## Operations

- **Southwest and West Flanks: Murray Creek**
  - Southwest corner is the most active area.
  - Helicopters, heavy equipment, and ground crews working in this area.
  - Crews securing containment below Murray Plateau using direct attack methods.
  - Sprinkler systems in use on North Murray, east side of Murray Creek.
- **East Flank: Spences Bridge, Venables Valley & Highway 1**
  - Isolated smoke pockets visible on Arthur Seat mountain; not challenging containment.
  - Daily monitoring of Highway 1 corridor for hot spots.
  - Mop up completed in Venables Valley; area will be monitored by air.
- **North and Northwest Flanks: Oregon Jack Rd & Hat Creek Valley**
  - Crews focused on extinguishing hot spots along Oregon Jack Road.
  - Direct attack tactics in use between Three Sisters Creek and Blue Earth Lake, targeting full extinguishment of hot spots within 25 feet of the fire's edge.

**NEXT UPDATE – WEDNESDAY, August 14, 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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