

Nohomin Creek Wildfire Update

August 3, 2022



WILDFIRE BEHAVIOUR

Yesterday, August 2, there was an estimated 500-hectare growth in the northwest corner of the fire upslope north of the Stein River. The growth is all contained within the Stein Valley Nlaka'pamux Heritage Park and is moving west away from any communities. In this area, the fire is burning on steep cliffs, and rocky terrain ground crews cannot access. This is the most active part of the fire, and further growth is expected today in the far northwest area of the wildfire.

The fire's south, northeast, and east flanks remain stable, with only hotspots that crews are extinguishing.

Increased winds are forecast for the fire, which may result in an early breakdown of the inversion. As a result, fire behaviour may increase within the Stein Valley Nlaka'pamux Heritage Park in the afternoon. As the fire continues to burn on very steep slopes, aggressive fire behaviour may result in highly visible smoke from surrounding communities.



Growth in high elevation areas north of the Stein River on Aug 2, 2022. Photo looking west along Stein Valley.

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K70580

FIRE NUMBER

3700

FIRE SIZE IN
HECTARES

60

FIREFIGHTERS

11

HELICOPTERS

3

HEAVY
EQUIPMENT

1

INCIDENT
MANAGEMENT
TEAM

+

ADDITIONAL
SUPPORT
RESOURCES



WILDFIRE OPERATIONS UPDATE

East Flank

- There is little-to-no fire activity on the east flank. An infrared aerial scan of the east flank adjacent to the Fraser river identified four hotspots that crews continue to extinguish.

North Division

- Unit crews continue establishing fuel-free lines and have installed a sprinkler system for reinforcement north of Seven Mile Creek. Additional crews are patrolling and mopping up areas within the fire's perimeter to the east. Helicopters are continuing to bucket areas of increased activity.

South Division

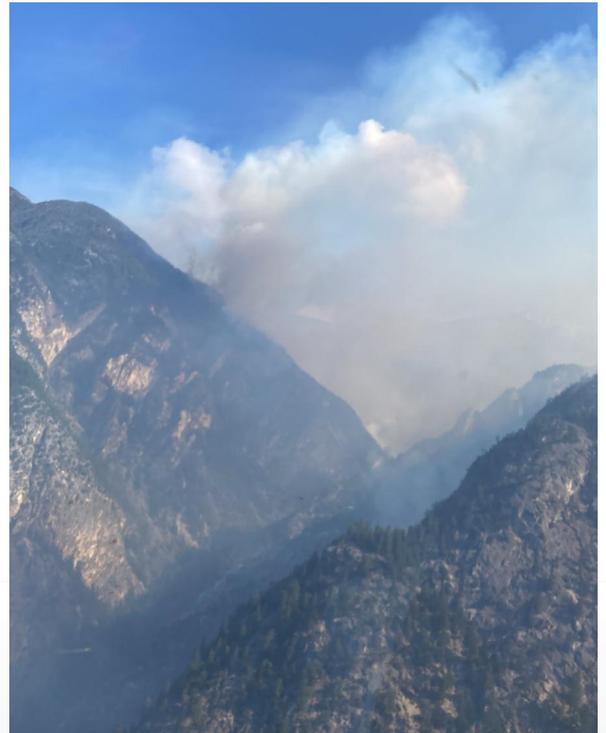
- Crews are patrolling and mopping up along the fire's perimeter between Stryen Creek and Nohomin Creek.
- Crews continue to establish containment lines.

Structure Protection

- The Structure Protection branch is monitoring the sprinkler systems located along the Stein Valley walking path. This water delivery system aims to increase fuel moisture content and relative humidity in valley bottoms to protect park infrastructure and cultural values.

STRUCTURE PROTECTION

The Structure Protection branch has installed 1,150 feet of hose and sprinkler systems west along the Stein Valley walking path. This water delivery system aims to increase fuel moisture content and relative humidity in valley bottoms to protect park infrastructure and cultural values.



Increased fire activity burning north of the Stein River on Aug 2, 2022.

EVAC ORDER AND ALERTS

Lytton First Nation

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TNRD

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Maria Creek Wildfire Update

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WILDFIRE BEHAVIOUR

The fire continues to burn in old cut blocks, where fuels are patchy and disorganized. Fire activity is influenced by high temperatures, low humidity and sustained winds.

Yesterday, August 2, there was moderate fire behaviour in the afternoon, and growth of 75 hectares towards the northeast.

Today, winds are expected to increase in the afternoon and could result in more fire behaviour than yesterday as denser fuels between cut blocks ignite. Cloudy conditions and light rain are forecast overnight which could moderate fire activity in the short term, however, temperatures will begin to increase again, Friday. Smoke may be visible from Clinton, Cache Creek, Highway 97 and surrounding areas.



K70972 exhibiting volatile fire behaviour on July 31, 2022 at 6:19pm.

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K70972

FIRE NUMBER

1004

FIRE SIZE IN
HECTARES
(estimated)

66

FIREFIGHTERS

11

HELICOPTERS

3

HEAVY
EQUIPMENT

1

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WILDFIRE OPERATIONS UPDATE

There is no existing ground access to the fire, causing a challenge to response. Helicopters are being used for bucketing support. Heavy equipment established access to the fire and are now focused on building containment lines by connecting existing roads and cut blocks. Ground crews are establishing hose lays to reinforce the fuel breaks.

ROAD CLOSURE

The Veasy FSR is closed for the safety of the public and firefighters.



K70972 shortly after detection on July 31, 2022 at 3:33 pm.



Aggressive fire behaviour on K70972 yesterday, August 1, afternoon.

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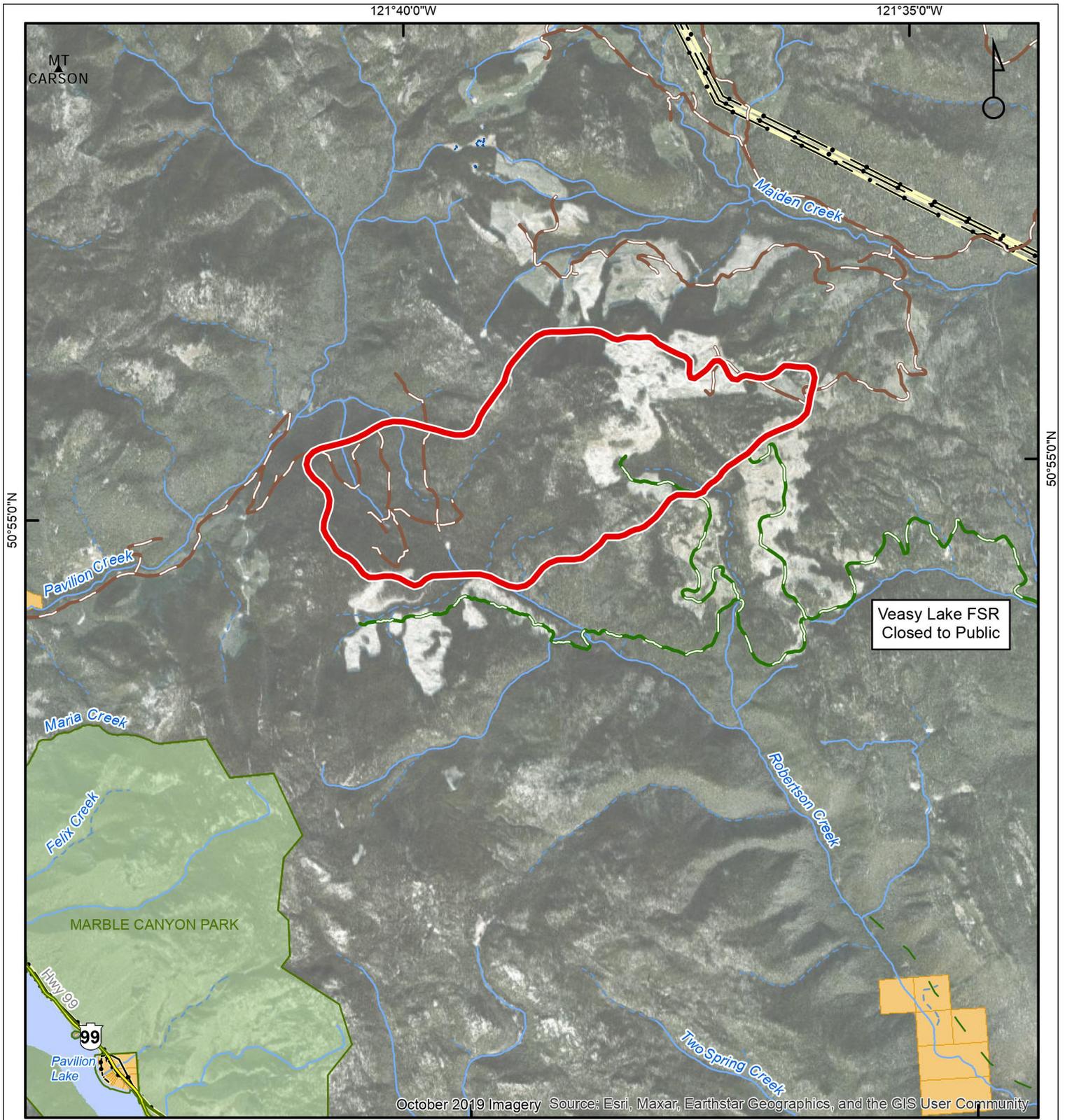
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- Forest Service Road
- Road Permit
- - - Trail
- Transmission Line
- BC Park
- Private

Maria Creek
K70927
PUBLIC INFORMATION MAP

Perimeter Date: 2022-08-03
Hectares: 1004.3 HA

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