

# Wenatchee Complex Fire Information

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**Sunday, September 30, 2012**

### INCIDENT QUICK FACTS

Location: North, west and southwest of Wenatchee, Wash.

Total acres: 54,875

Containment: 45 percent

Start Date: 09/09/2012

Cause: Lightning

Resources: 14 Crews 32 Engines 7 Helicopters 3 Dozers 887 Personnel

### Today's Summary:

The relative humidity will be lower today with increased fire activity which will begin earlier in the day. Fire managers have planned for this event and will take the necessary actions.

The air quality was much better yesterday allowing helicopters to be used for bucket drops and reconnaissance. These activities are also planned for today.

Ridgetop winds are anticipated to be between 15-25 mph, with gusts up to 40 mph. With large fuels already exceptionally dry, winds will speed the drying of fine fuels, increasing the risk of fire spread.

A new fire (Mule fire approximately 0.1 acre) was detected yesterday, northeast of the White Fire. It is backing and creeping in the lower 1/3 of the slope in duff under mixed conifers.

An infra-red flight last night reported a decrease of 210 acres, due to more accurate mapping, bringing the total acreage for the complex to 54,875.

Highway 97 is open at this time, but conditions may change. Please visit the Washington Department of Transportation [www.wsdot.com/traffic/trafficalerts](http://www.wsdot.com/traffic/trafficalerts) for the latest information on U.S. 97.

As each fire in the complex reaches containment, local resource advisors are focusing more efforts on rehabilitating the fire area. Fire fighters are implementing these measures.

Residents and visitors can expect to see more smoke from fires in the complex until the area receives significant rain or snow as interior islands of fuel continue to burn.

Misc. fires are: Sears Creek (516 ac), Maverick (21 ac), White Pine (58 ac), Cuitin Lake (216 ac), Upper White (0.2 ac), John (2 ac), and Mule (0.1 ac).

Fire Name	Acres	Percent Contained	Summary
Canyon	7,559	96	Rehabilitation completed. Will be patrolled today.
Byrd	14,163	95	Rehabilitation continues.
Poison Canyon	5,911	80	Mop up continues. Backhauled surplus supplies and equipment by helicopter.
Peavine Canyon	19,093	45	The fire continues to produce smoke from from interior islands of unburned fuel. Helicopters were able to utilize water drops in several of the divisions.
First Creek	1,361	90	Rehabilitation continues.
Pyramid	1,427	0	Under aerial monitoring.
Klone	1,385	15	Chipping of brush will continue along Shady Pass and Tommy Creek Roads for approximately a week. Pockets of unburned fuel continue to burn up to the dozer containment line.
Cashmere Mountain	2,161	20	Crews continue to patrol, mop up and hold the fire along 7601 road.
Basalt	981	0	Under aerial monitoring.
Misc. Fires	834	30	Continue mop up and holding operations.

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