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EOC Update

August 17, 2021

White Rock Lake fire update @ 12:00 PM

Way' Members,

The last 48 hours have been very hectic. As of yesterday, August 16, there were 10 dwellings and 1 business lost with an additional 4 dwellings damaged. Thanks to the rain and the drop in temperature as well as quick action from BC Wildfire and structural protection personnel there have been no additional confirmed structural losses within OKIB IR#1.

Over the last 24 hours the North Okanagan received 10 mm of rain which was much needed. The rain has offered a reprieve for BC wildfire crews to make progress against the fire. Yesterday BCWS conducted many back burns along Westside road to help secure guard lines and keep the community safe. Crews will also continue guard building within and above community today.

At this time Evacuation Order statuses remain the same, however they are currently being reviewed. Weather wise, temperatures are expected to continue to stay within the mid 20s with the potential for rain this upcoming weekend. Wind in the area is expected to continue to come from the northwest, blowing south throughout the day.

On the recovery front, OKIB has already begun to work on a recovery plan for our Community. There will be more complete information coming from the EOC regarding the re-entry process for areas which have been impacted by the wildfire forthcoming. We are also in discussion with EMBC regarding setting up the ability for an OKIB Wildfire donation service.

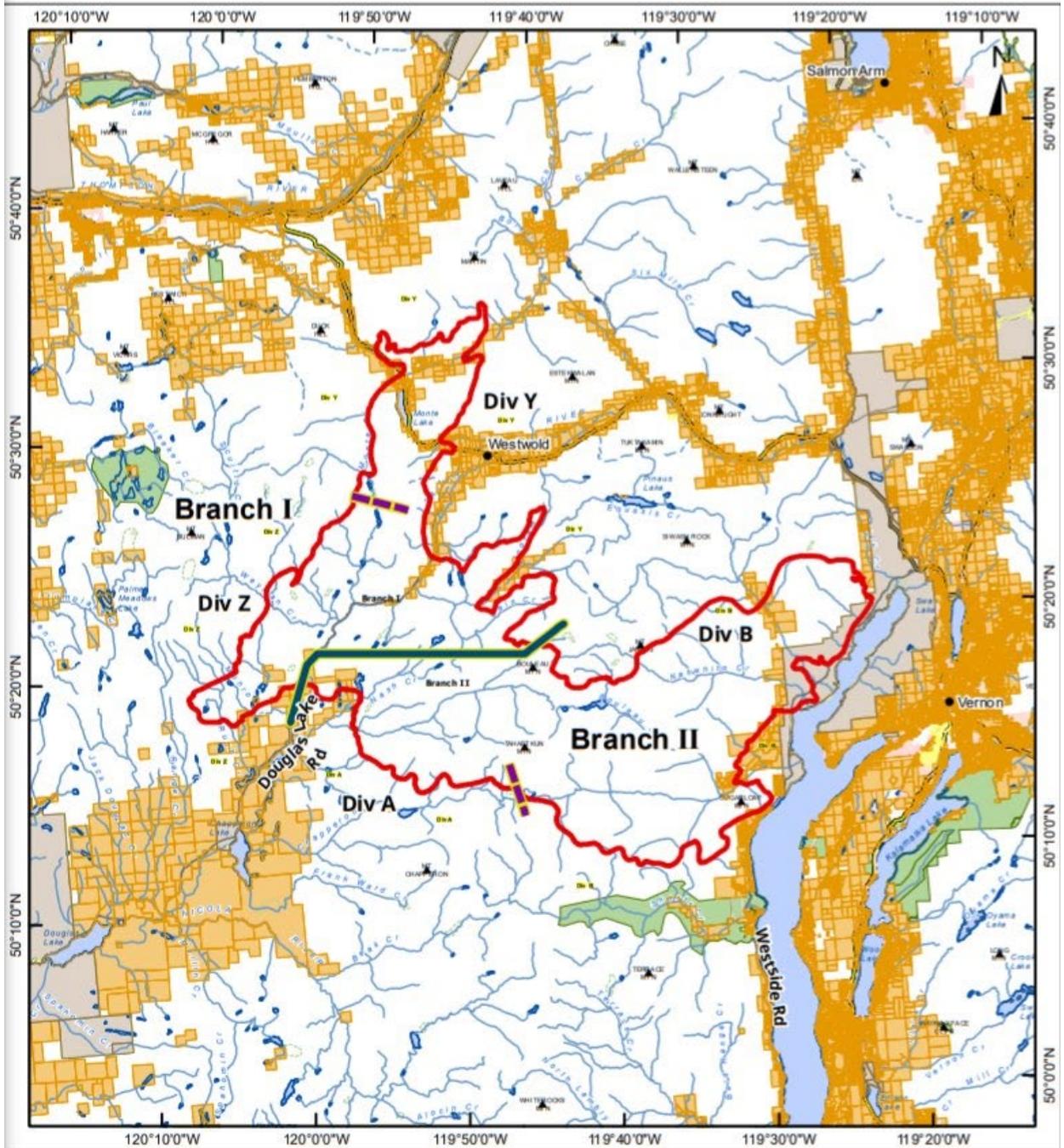
Attached is the latest fire perimeter map available from August 16, 2130hrs. The photo, taken today at 0730hrs shows spot fires on the mountain side above Irish Creek and above Louis Estates. Fire can also be seen to the far left of the photo in the Deep Creek/Newport creek area.

The OKIB EOC will continue to monitor the situation and provide the community with updates as we receive them.

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See the photo and map on the following pages.

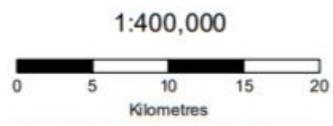




**White Rock Lake
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PUBLIC INFORMATION MAP**

Perimeter Date: 2021-08-16
Hectares: 78,190 ha

Fire Perimeter	Indian Reserve
Branch Break	Private
Division Break	Mixed Ownership
Highway	Federal
Main Road	Municipal
BC Park, Protected Area, Biological Reserve	Crown Agency



Disclaimer:
Wildfire perimeters for the current fire season, including both active and inactive fires, are supplied from various sources. The data is refreshed from operational systems nightly to the public map. Wildfire data may not reflect the current fire situation, and therefore should only be used for reference purposes.

Wildfire data from the incident is updated when practicable and the occurrence of individual fire updates will vary. The information is intended for general purposes only and should not be relied on as accurate because fires are dynamic and circumstances may change quickly. The levels of current fire activity within the mapped fire perimeters can vary widely.

