



## Cougar Creek Fire and Navarre Fire

New Release

ENTIAT (August 2, 2018: 8:00 am)

### Cougar Creek Fire

- Acres: 1559
- Containment: 0%
- Location: 20 miles northwest of Entiat
- Start Date: July 28, 2018 at 7:21 pm
- Cause: Lightening

**Current Activity:** The Cougar Creek Fire is located 20 miles northwest of Entiat. The fire continues to burn in heavy timber, snags, and downed logs in steep inaccessible terrain. Crews continue to build containment lines. Historic containment lines from previous fires in the area are being reused and improved where appropriate. Several viewpoints are utilized to monitor and track fire behavior. Forecasted winds are expected to push the fire to the southeast up to a couple miles. The fire is also expected to grow on all sides less than 1/2 mile. A Type 1 Incident Management Team is en-route and expected to arrive today to begin transition. The Type 1 Team will assume management of the incident in the next day or two.

**Community Meeting:** A Community Meeting was held last night with roughly 100 participants. NW Team 11 Incident Command, Local Entiat Fire Chief, Local Forest Service District Ranger, and NW Team 11 Fire Behavior Analyst each addressed the community with updates, concerns and how best to prepare for the expected increase in fire behavior.

**Evacuations:** Evacuation level increased to Level 2 at 2:00 PM yesterday based on increased fire activity and forecasted wind information for the incident. This Level 2 evacuation is for both sides of the Entiat River Road from Mad River Road to the end of the Entiat River Road, to include Mud Creek Road. Ardenvoir is currently not affected. Level 2 means to "Get Set"; be packed and prepared to evacuate in case a higher level of evacuation is issued.

For the most current announcements visit Chelan County Emergency Management Facebook account.

<https://www.facebook.com/CCSOEM/>

**Closures:** Forest Service Road #6101 is closed from Deer Camp to Maverick Saddle  
Forest Service Road #5200 is closed from French Corral To Maverick Saddle  
Alder Ridge Trail #1523 is closed above the Faultline Road #6104 (where the seasonal closure begins)  
Chikamin Tie Trail #1561.1 is closed above Forest Service Road #6210  
Closures on the Entiat Ranger District:  
Upper Mad River Trail System  
Tommy Creek Trail

A temporary flight restriction (TFR) remains in place over the Cougar Creek fire area restricting public access for aircrafts including drones. The public is reminded that when a drone is sighted within the TFR all air operations are grounded. Grounded air operations inhibits ability to conduct critical fire suppression efforts. Flying within the TFR is prohibited and against the law.

**Smoke:** The Cougar Creek fire may have a visible smoke column that can be seen for miles. Smoke will likely filter into surrounding communities, particularly Chelan. For more information on smoke and public health, please visit: [wasmoke.blogspot.com](http://wasmoke.blogspot.com).

#### Fire Information:

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6053/>

Facebook: facebook.com/CougarCreekFire

Fire Information Center: 303-921-5818

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#### Incident Management Team:

Northwest Interagency Incident Management Team 11



Photograph- Photo of the Cougar Creek Fire.

# Navarre Fire

- Acres: 165
- Containment: 85%
- Location: Navarre Coulee Road between US Hwy 97 and County Road 2 (WA 971)
- Start Date: July 31, 2018 at 8:45pm
- Cause: Under Investigation

**Current Activity:** At 4:00 PM on 8/1/2018 NW Team 11 took command of the Navarre Fire. Crews assisted local agencies on initial attack and built containment lines effectively yesterday. No structures lost.

**Fire Information:**

Fire Information Center: 303-921-5818

**Incident Management Team:** Northwest Interagency Incident Management Team 11



Photograph- Photo of the Navarre Fire.

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