

# Dawson region wildfire update – last updated June 29, 2025

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This is an update from the Dawson Emergency Control Group including City of Dawson, Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in and Government of Yukon response agencies (including Wildland Fire Management and the Emergency Coordination Centre).

## Evacuation Alerts

- [West Dawson and Sunnydale](#), including all properties along the Top of the World Highway between kilometres 1 and 36
- [Dempster Highway Cutoff and Henderson Corner](#), including all properties along the North Klondike Highway between kilometres 693 and 672
- An Evacuation Alert means a threat is nearby and you should be ready to leave as soon as possible. It is not an Evacuation Order. Pack essentials, fuel your vehicle, and make a plan with your household.
- If you're heading out of cell service, download the [Alertable app](#) to receive evacuation alerts and orders. It works with an internet connection and doesn't require cell service. For more information on how to download Alertable, visit [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)
- Representatives are visiting homes in West Dawson, Sunnydale, and Henderson Corner to support wildfire preparedness. If you live in an area under Evacuation Alert and received a Pre-Registration Survey, please return it to one of the drop boxes (at the information bulletin boards) or the City Hall (1336 Front Street). If you didn't receive one, you can pick one up there.

## Wildfire Activity and Response

This update was provided by Wildland Fire Management.

With current resources, Wildland Fire is focusing its efforts in the populated areas around the community, including West Dawson, Sunnydale, Moosehide, the Klondike Valley and values along the Dempster Highway. Keeping the highways open remains a priority; however, due to fire activity, closures may occur on short notice. Check [511](#) for updates.

Resources from outside the territory are already on site, and additional resources have been requested to support fire management efforts in the area.

The structure protection team from Alberta has fully set up their water supply line to Upper West Dawson.

In total, there are 28 active wildfires in the Dawson region. Ten of which are under control or being held. Due to recent weather, fires are showing minimal activity.

#### **Quebec Creek fire (DA-012)**

- The fire remains at 3,709 hectares with no growth. It is about nine kilometres from Upper West Dawson, 600 metres from the Yukon River, and has not crossed the highway. A structural protection plan is ready for Moosehide and will be implemented as more resources arrive.
- Cat guards are complete above Deadwood drainage, Upper West Dawson, and Sunnydale. Structure protection is completed and tested. Crews are now working along the southern flank to prevent further spread and continue extinguishing hotspots.

#### **Mount Leotta fire (DA-016)**

- The fire remains at 7,161 hectares. It has reached the Klondike Highway (km 667–675) but has not crossed. It is currently 7.5 km from Henderson Corner. Crews have kept the fire south of the highway and continue to extinguish hotspots, particularly on the eastern and western flanks.
- Structural protection is in place along the highway and in the Land of Plenty. Today, crews will keep working on a contingency line along the power line from Hunker Creek Road to the highway. Priorities include protecting power lines and limiting growth northwest of the highway. Plans for more structural protection in the area will be made in the next few days.

#### **Rabbit Creek fire (DA-007)**

- The fire remains at 12,148 hectares with no growth. It is 4 km from the Klondike Highway and 7 km from Henderson Corner. Structural protection is complete in the Benson Creek area, Dempster Corner, and farms north of the Klondike River. Yesterday, crews extinguished hotspot with air support. Crews and helicopters will keep working on preventing further growth.
- DA-007 is 7.5 km from the Mount Leotta fire (DA-016).
- Goldfields: Fires are also active in the goldfields. Roads remain open, and miners are advised to contact [KPMA](#) with any concerns.

For more information on wildfires, visit: [www.yukon.ca/wildfires](http://www.yukon.ca/wildfires).

### **Visitor Information**

Visitors are welcome in Dawson City. Tourism services, including hotels, restaurants, and attractions, are open and operating as usual. Travellers are encouraged to check in with the Dawson City Visitor Information Centre (Front and King Streets) for up-to-date tourism information, including accommodations and campground options. Call 1-867-993-5566 to reach them directly. Open daily from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

### **Emergency Preparedness and Information**

Dawson residents are not under an Evacuation Alert. It's always a good idea to make an emergency plan with your household and to get a [72-hour emergency kit](#) ready. [Find a kit list and more information](#).

Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens can call the hotline at 867-993-3125 for information or assistance.

Information will be released daily. The next update will be provided by 1 pm on Monday, June 30, 2025.

Updates will be shared on:

- online on [Yukon.ca](http://Yukon.ca);
- online on the [City of Dawson](#) website;
- online on the [Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in](#) website;
- daily at 1 pm on CFYT 106.9 FM in Dawson; and
- on repeat on 105.5 FM close to the Henderson Corner.