

Mayo region wildfire update – last updated July 6, 2025

Sunday, July 6, 2025, 2:15 pm

Warm and dry weather is continuing in the Mayo area. Fire behaviour today is forecast to be high with frequent candling and the potential for organized crown fire. Temperatures higher than humidity, known as crossover conditions, are likely in the afternoon. Thunderstorms are possible across the southern portion of the area this evening.

There are currently 30 active fires in the Northern Tutchone Region, 19 of which are out of control, 1 is being held and 11 are under control.

There has been 1 new start in the region over the weekend. The Big Loop Fire (MA-032) started on July 5, approximately 15 kilometres east of Mayo. This fire was actioned by air tankers, heavy helicopters and initial attack crews yesterday and remains at 1.5 hectares in size. It does not pose a threat to the community. In addition to work on large, sustained action fires, the Mayo Fire Centre maintains readiness and the capacity to respond to new starts. This is particularly important at times when the fire load is already high.

People in the area of Ethel Lake may see increased smoke from The Francis Plateau fire (MA-019). This is not indicative of fire growth but of patches of unburned fuel burning off in the interior. Smoke will continue to be visible on warm or windy days as other patches of unburned fuel are consumed.

Evacuation alerts

- [Silver Trail Highway](#) between kilometres 4 and 24, east to the Stewart River
- [Keno, Silver Trail Highway](#) kilometres 101 to 110, McQuesten Lake and Hanson Lakes
- An evacuation alert means a threat is nearby, and you should be ready to leave on short notice. It is not an evacuation order. Pack essentials, fuel your vehicle and make plans 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.
- See [511 Yukon](#) for up-to-date information on road closures.

Wildfire activity and response

North Ferry Hill (MA-006)

- This fire is burning north of Stewart Crossing and the Silver Trail Highway. The size is estimated at 13,000 hectares and the fire is out of control. Structural protection is in place in the area. The priority for this fire is the protection of homes and preventing impacts to the Silver Trail Highway.
- Despite lower-than-expected intensity yesterday, the potential for high fire behaviour continues today with potential for continuous flame fronts on the ground and in the treetops, and a high rate of spread.
- Structural protection is being set up along the North Klondike Highway today in addition to the existing structural protection along the Silver Trail Highway.
- Heavy equipment is continuing to build and widen the dozer guard along the Silver Trail powerlines while crews and helicopters target hotspots and work to secure the fire's edge in priority areas.

Ladue Lake fire (MA-022)

- This fire is about 7 kilometres from Keno City and is estimated to be 4,500 hectares in size.
- Fire growth yesterday was primarily upslope to the southeast driven by terrain effects.
- Fire behaviour today continues to be high with potential for continuous flame fronts on the ground and in the treetops.
- Due to elevated fire behaviour, crews will be working with heavy equipment on community protection around Keno while helicopters work the southwest flank of the fire.
- Significant additional resources have arrived on this fire and are now working on establishing structural protection in Keno and along Hanson Lakes.

Emergency preparedness and information

Even for residents 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.](#)

Information will be released daily, or more often when possible. The next update will be provided by 4 pm on Monday, July 7, 2025.

Updates will be shared online on [Yukon.ca](https://www.yukon.ca).