## Takhini Bridge fire command post moves to Hidden Valley school

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Firefighters are continuing to work on the fire while carefully watching hot spots as warm weather continues. The dozer guard wrapping the fire is approximately 25 kilometres in length, the result of long days by heavy equipment operators and support by ground crews.

Please note tomorrow's morning update will be delayed to early afternoon.

Tomorrow, a 20-person firefighting crew will arrive from Nova Scotia. While good progress has been made on containing the fire, these imported resources will allow more ground to be covered and give fatigued crews time off.

The fire remains out of control and is receiving a full response. The latest fire size estimate is 1546 hectares.

Today, resources on the fire included:

- 35x firefighters, including a 14-person Yukon First Nations Wildfire unit crew
- 1x incident management team
- 7x pieces of heavy equipment
- 2x helicopters

An incident command post has been set up at Hidden Valley Elementary School to oversee the fire response. Meals and accommodation for out-of-territory resources will be based at the school.

Parts of the Ibex Valley are still under evacuation alert.

Visit <a href="https://wildfires.service.yukon.ca">https://wildfires.service.yukon.ca</a> to see the locations, size and control status of all Yukon wildfires.

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