



## Toonerville Fire

Incident Commander: Todd Meyer

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**Estimated Size:** 85 acres as mapped by DNR's UAS drone

**Containment:** 5%

**Start Date/Time:** 7/8/2025 around 4:48 PM

**Area of Origin:** Off Toonerville Road in Belfair, WA

**Cause:** Undetermined

**Structures Damaged:** 0

**Evacuation Levels and Road Closures:** Level 3 (Go Now) Evacuations remain in place for Toonerville Road Communities. A Level 2 (Get Set) Evacuation has been added for NE Blacksmith Drive, NE Smith Forge Ln, NE Pond Ct, NE Forge Ct, NE Lakeway Dr and NE Lakeway Drive S.

**Level 1 - READY:** Prepare a go kit for you, family, animals. Clear areas around your home in advance. Know your escape routes.

**Level 2 - SET:** Have your go kit on hand and ready. Ensure you, your family, and animals and ready to go at a moment's notice.

**Level 3 - GO:** Grab your go kit. Load your family and animals and leave.

**Update:** Yesterday, we reached 5% containment on the fire meaning 5% of our fire lines are considered "containment lines". Containment lines are dug down to the raw dirt, pavement, or other solid rock/gravel borders. The wood and debris have been cleared away from the lines and all overhanging branches or underground roots have been removed allowing the containment line to hold the fire without constant supervision. The rest of the fire has "control lines" in place. Control lines are used to slow and stop fire progression while firefighters work to box-in the fire. These lines can be water lines, hand lines, dozer lines, or existing roads and trails. These lines must be monitored and require further work to keep the fire from burning across them. As the fire comes under control firefighters will move into "mop-up work" which means they will clear and clean up all control lines and work on any hot or burning areas within the fire perimeter. We anticipate the containment numbers to continue to increase over the next few days.

For the Toonerville fire, we have effectively put control lines in around the entire perimeter of the fire, and those lines are effectively holding the fire within its current perimeter.

Today, firefighters are continuing to strengthen the fire control lines ensuring the fire continues to remain within the current fire perimeter. Some materials within the fire perimeter will be consumed while crews search for any hot spots that need to be cooled. Temperatures are anticipated to warm up starting today and will continue the warming trend through the weekend and into next week.

The team is continuing to evaluate the emergency evacuation levels as well as monitoring fire activity in and around all structures. Today is the last shift for Washington State Mobilization. State Mobilization Resources will remain working on the fire for today then head home at the end of shift.

The incident management team personnel are supported by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Fire Mobilization, and local agencies including North Mason Regional Fire Authority, Mason County Sheriff's Office, Green Diamond Resources, and Mason County Department of Emergency Management.

**Weather and Fire Behavior:** Today should bring sunny weather with a high near 83. Calm winds becoming north northeast around 6 mph in the afternoon. The evening may be partly cloudy with a low around 57 and northeast wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening. Temperatures Saturday and Sunday will be very similar to conditions Friday.

**Smoke:** Air quality is good but those in the immediate area may see minor smoke impacts from the Toonerville Fire. For more information on smoke and air quality, please visit Washington Smoke Information (<https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/>).

**Air Space Restrictions:** There is a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) in place over the fire. Any unaccounted-for aircraft, including drones, puts aerial firefighting resources and lives at risk. If you fly, we can't. All firefighting aircraft have to be grounded if unmanned aircraft or drones are operating near the fire.

**Sheltering:** A shelter has been opened at the Belfair Community Church at 23300 State Route 3 in Belfair for individuals who have evacuated their homes due to the Toonerville Fire.

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