

Changes to Alberta Wildfire dashboard

Mutual aid wildfires

What is a mutual aid wildfire?

A mutual aid wildfire is a wildfire outside of the Forest Protection Area and assistance is being provided by Alberta Wildfire to the lead agency. These wildfires typically start in a municipal district but become large enough that municipal firefighters may require additional resources to help support it.

Alberta Wildfire dashboard

The Alberta Wildfire dashboard shares pertinent up-to-date information about the wildfire situation within the Forest Protection Area (FPA). It is a great resource to find location, size and status of wildfires in the FPA.

Wildfires outside the FPA

Wildfires that start outside the FPA are initially responded to by municipal fire departments. In the event a wildfire becomes large enough that additional resources are required, Alberta Wildfire has agreements in place to provide timely support to municipalities.

Wildfires outside of the FPA that do not require support from Alberta Wildfire do not appear on the dashboard.

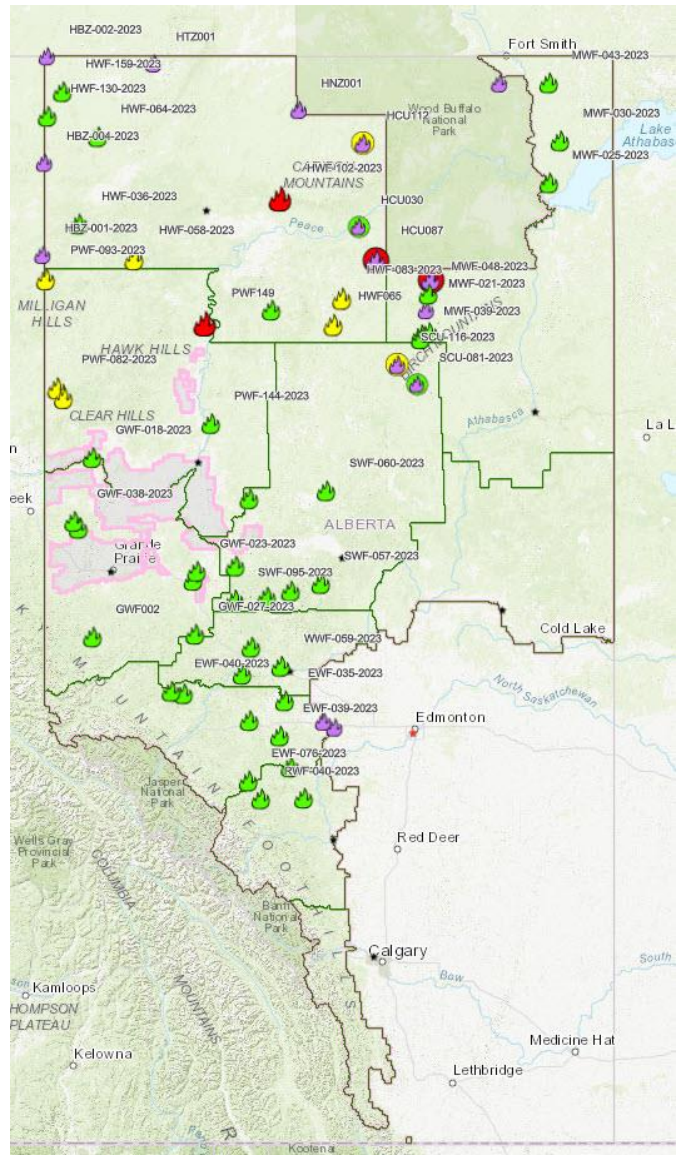
If Alberta Wildfire is providing assistance, the mutual aid wildfire is added to the dashboard. It is represented by a purple flame icon.

What does a purple flame mean?

Purple flames on the Alberta Wildfire dashboard represent a mutual aid wildfire, indicating that Alberta Wildfire is providing assistance. Alberta Wildfire is not the lead agency and often has limited situational awareness. The municipality in which the fire is happening will have the most accurate information.

What does the coloured circle around the flame mean?

This means a wildfire status has been assigned to a mutual aid wildfire. A red circle around the purple flame indicates that the status of the mutual aid wildfire is out of control (OC). A yellow circle around the purple flame indicates that it is being held (BH) and the green circle indicates that it is under control (UC).



For more information:

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