

Chronology of Thirtymile Fire

Actual Dispatch Log from the Okanogan National Forest Dispatch

(Initial attack actions taken in the first 20 hours)

Date: 7/9/01

(09:26 pm) 2126 Bud Day 8 (Canadian) Reported fire to Okanogan Dispatch
 (09:29 pm) 2129 Relayed to Methow Duty Officer
 (10:04 pm) 2204 3-1A overhead en route from Libby South fire
 (10:45 pm) 2245 Engine en route from Libby South fire
 (11:08 pm) 2308 3-1A on scene
 (11:09 pm) 2309 Diverted Interagency Hotshot Crew from Libby South fire
 (11:14 pm) 2314 2-1A overhead en route
 (11:22 pm) 2322 Request Fire Investigator
 (11:44 pm) 2344 Engine on scene

Date: 7/10/01

(12:03 am) 0003 2-1A with Interagency Hotshot Crew en route
 (01:04 am) 0104 Engine Returning to Station
 (01:30 am) 0130 Interagency Hand Crew on scene
 (07:51 am) 0751 Forest Service Regular crew and two overhead en route
 (09:04 am) 0904 Forest Service Regular Type 2 on scene
 (10:05 am) 1005 Fire Investigator on scene
 (11:20 am) 1120 Two overhead, 3-1A and 2-1A returning to station
 (11:30 am) 1130 Fire Investigator returned to station
 (11:52 am) 1152 Interagency Hotshot Crew bedded down at campground
 2 miles down the road
 (12:40 pm) 1240 Agency administrator responding from Libby South
 (12:52 pm) 1252 Interagency Hotshot Crew returning
 (01:15 pm) 1315 SEAT Requested – OMK
 (02:17 pm) 1417 Helicopter en route
 (02:31 pm) 1431 E-701 responding
 (02:54 pm) 1454 L-65 responding with Air Tankers 62, 12, and 85
 (03:58 pm) 1558 Crews pulled back to road for safety
 (04:18 pm) 1618 Diverted Air Tankers to Libby after determined to be
 ineffective on 30 mile
 (05:24 pm) 1724 Forest Service Regulars sheltered

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The following chronology lists significant events that occurred over the next 24 hours:

07/10/01

5:25 pm Accident Investigation Team ordered
National Incident Management Team mobilized
Wildland Fire Situation Analysis (WFSA) completed

7/11/01

2:00 pm National Incident Management Team assumes command

This chronology illustrates the events which occurred prior to and following the deployment of 14 fire shelters on the Thirtymile Fire.