



# Information Bulletin

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Emergency Operations Centre

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## RE: Merry Creek Wildfire (N51165)

The Merry Creek Wildfire, located 8 kilometres SW of Castlegar, remains active and is listed as out of control by BC Wildfire Service (BCWS). An evacuation order from the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) remains in place for 31 properties and an Evacuation Alert for one property in Electoral Area J. Visit [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo) for the complete details.

The City of Castlegar has six areas on Evacuation Alert. Check out the [City of Castlegar website](#) for more information.

Fire crews have made significant progress in the last 24 hours on the wildfire. Structure protection crews have been able to place resources on all homes requiring protection. According to the BCWS, the size of the fire is estimated at 15 hectares. Work has focused on danger tree assessing and falling, while helicopters continue bucketing activities. For more information on the wildfire and the amount of resources being used refer to [BCWS Wildfires of Note Page](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#). As well, the RDCK will be providing daily updates on the RDCK Emergency Information page [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo) and via [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



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### **BE PREPARED**

Now is the time to prepare for a potential evacuation. Follow the links below for valuable resources on how to make an emergency plan and prepare your [grab and go bag](#). This includes preparing for [your animals and livestock to be relocated](#).

Sign up for the RDCK Emergency Notification system and become FireSmart by having a FREE FireSmart assessment done on your home.

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[FireSmart](#)

[Wildfire Preparedness Guide](#)  
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### **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS**

- In case of emergency dial 911
- RDCK Emergency Operations Centre Inquiry Line 250-352-7701
- BC Wildfire 1-800-663-5555 or \*5555
- BC Hydro 1-800-224-9376
- Fortis BC 1-866-436-7847



