



Media Release

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Evacuation Alert issued for Birchdale and Fry Creek area

Nelson, BC: On the recommendation of the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) has issued an Evacuation Alert for the Birchdale and Fry Creek area due to the Fry Creek wildfire (N71980). The boat access only community is located northeast of Kaslo on the East shore of Kootenay Lake in Electoral Area 'D'. The Alert includes the following addresses and Property Identification Numbers (PID):

138 BIRCHDALE WAY

200 BIRCHDALE WAY

006-438-521 PID

007-093-951 PID

016-077-989 PID

016-429-079 PID

016-077-938 PID

016-077-920 PID

016-077-971 PID

018-874-037 PID

023-193-859 PID

024-677-973 PID

024-384-321 PID

027-545-491 PID

At this time residents or visitors within the area are not required to evacuate, however the RDCK advises people to remain vigilant and be prepared to leave the area at a moment's notice. Residents should prepare their emergency grab and go bag, prepare to move pets and livestock to a safe area, and [sign up to receive RDCK emergency notifications](#). Part of your plan should include where you can go if evacuated, such as staying with friends or family.

The Fry Creek wildfire was first discovered on August 25, 2022. The BCWS has determined the cause to be from lightning.

Updates or changes to the Evacuation Alert will be provided via the [RDCK website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) as more information becomes available. For details about evacuation and emergency preparedness, along with

other resources, please visit www.rdck.ca/eocinfo. The RDCK EOC public inquiry line is 250.352.7701. At this time during the Alert phase, the EOC public inquiry line will be monitored during business hours, between 8:30am and 4:30pm.

For up to date information on current wildfire activity, conditions and prohibitions, call 1.888.336.7378 or visit www.bcwildfire.ca.

For more information about evacuations and emergency preparedness, along with other resources:

- [Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds](#) or call 250.352.7701
- [RDCK web map](#)
- [Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada](#)
- [BC Wildfire – Interactive Map of Current Events](#)
- [Fortis BC Outage Map](#) or call 1.866.436.7847
- [BC Hydro outage map](#) or call 1.800.224.9376
- [Nelson Hydro](#) 1.877.324.9376
- [Drive BC](#) for highway closures and road conditions
- [For BC Air Quality Health Index](#)
- [Prepared BC](#)

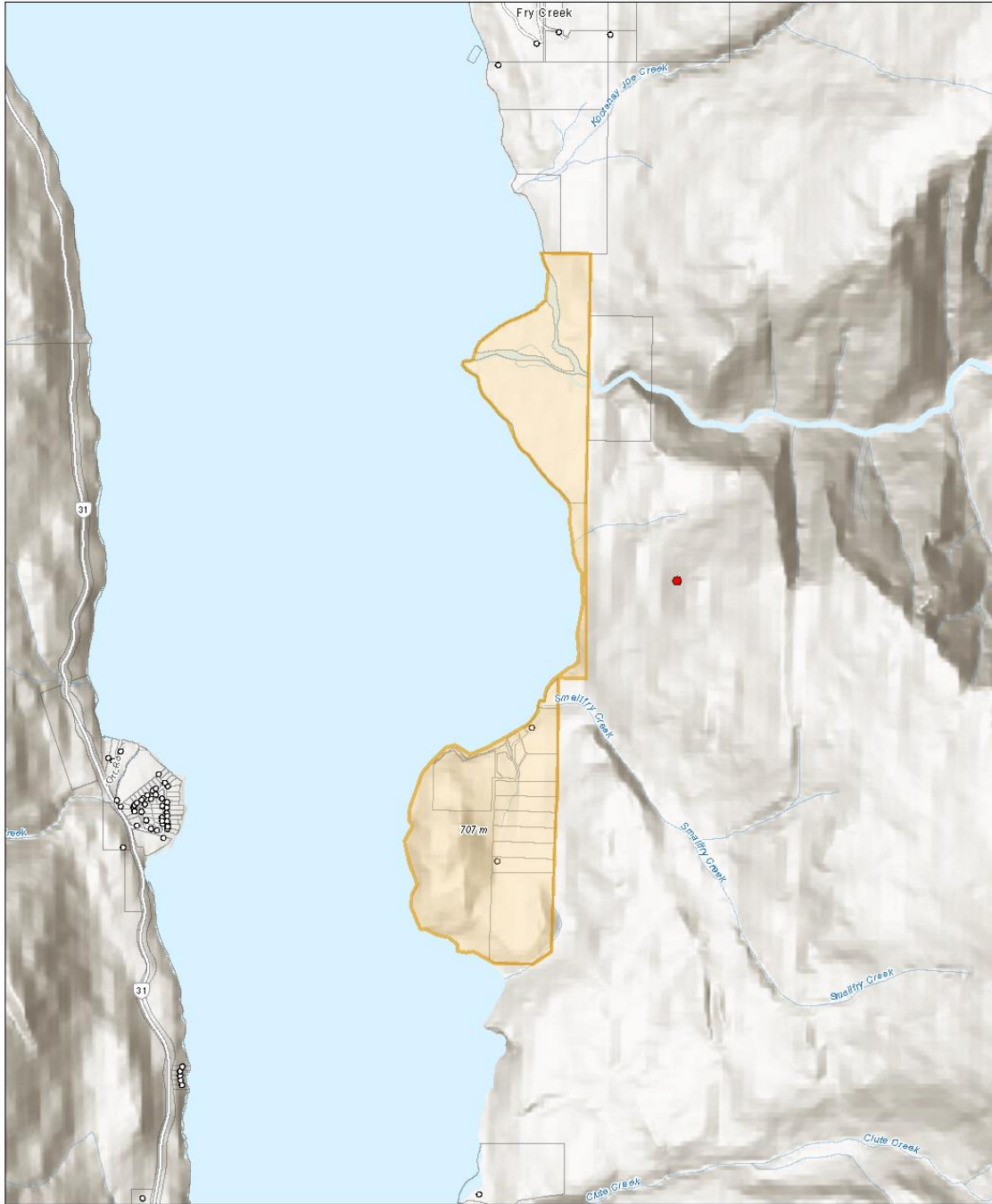
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RDCK Emergency Map



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Active Evacuation Areas

Evacuation Alert

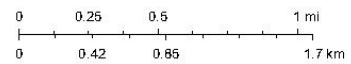
○ Civic Address

Legal Parcels

Current Fire Locations - BC Wildfire

● Out of Control

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