

Information Bulletin

July 17, 2021 Emergency Operations Centre 7:00PM

RE: Michaud Creek Wildfire (N51765)

The Michaud Creek Wildfire, located 21 kilometres south of Edgewood, remains active and is currently listed as a fire of note by the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS). Driven by wind and an abundance of dry fuels, the wildfire is moving north on the west side of the Lower Arrow Lake. The fire is estimated to be 2,500 hectares. For more information on the wildfire, refer to BCWS Facebook and BCWS Twitter.

An evacuation ORDER from the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) remains in place for properties in the affected area from Bowman Creek along the west shore of Lower Arrow Lake up to Johnston Creek.

An evacuation ALERT from the RDCK also remains in place for 358 properties in the area from Johnston Creek, continuing north to Highway 6, including the communities of Edgewood, Needles and Whatshan Lake.

RE: Octopus Creek Wildfire (N51800)

The Octopus Creek Wildfire, located approximately 11 kilometres south of Fauquier, remains active and is currently listed as a fire of note by the BCWS. This wildfire is burning in steep and inoperable terrain and is now being driven by wind and dry fuels. The fire is estimated at 1,172 hectares. BCWS continues to monitor and assess control options. For more information on the wildfire refer to BCWS Wildfires of Note Page, BCWS Facebook and BCWS Twitter.

An evacuation ORDER from the RDCK has been issued for 5 properties south of Taite Creek, including the Taite Creek recreation site.

An evacuation alert from the RDCK remains in place for the communities of Applegrove and Fauquier on the east shore of Lower Arrow Lake in Electoral Area K.

RE: Akokli Creek Wildfire (N71686)

The Akokli Creek Wildfire, located approximately 6 kilometres east of Boswell, remains active and is currently listed as a fire of note by BCWS. The fire is currently burning in the Akokli drainage and is not currently threatening any structures. This fire is highly visible from Boswell, Creston, and surrounding areas and is estimated to be 356 hectares. For more information on the wildfire refer to BCWS Facebook and BCWS Facebook and BCWS Facebook and BCWS Facebook Facebook and BCWS Facebook Facebook and BCWS Facebook a

An evacuation alert from the RDCK remains in place for the communities of Boswell, Destiny Bay, and Sanca on the east shore of the south arm of Kootenay Lake in Electoral Area A.

RE: Cultus Creek Wildfire (N71245)

The Cultus Creek Wildfire is estimated to be 611 hectares in size and is currently listed as out of control by the BCWS. An evacuation alert from the RDCK remains in place for the areas from south of Next Creek to north of Midge Creek, located in Electoral Area A on the west shore of the south arm of Kootenay Lake.

Visit www.rdck.ca/eocinfo for the complete details of all current evacuation orders and alerts. Affected residents with any questions can contact the RDCK Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) at 250-352-7701.

Follow the links below to stay up to date.

BC Wildfire Service Emergency Info Drive BC Environment Canada

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. Residents in the affected Evacuation Order and Alert areas are encouraged to stay with friends and family.

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

<u>PreparedBC</u> <u>Wildfire Preparedness Guide</u> <u>Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notifications</u>

<u>FireSmart</u> <u>Livestock Relocation</u>

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