



# Media Release

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## Evacuation Order for Fauquier reduced to Evacuation Alert

Nelson, BC: On the recommendation of the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is reducing a portion of the area currently under Evacuation Order to an Evacuation Alert. 16 properties south of approximately 15.5KM mark on Applegrove Road will remain on Evacuation Order (please see map), while 152 properties will be reduced to an Evacuation Alert. This reduction to an Alert means residents can return to their properties, but must be prepared to leave on short notice should conditions change. See the map below for the specific details.

### ADDRESSES STILL ON EVACUATION ORDER:

784 APPLGROVE RD
1210 APPLGROVE RD
802 APPLGROVE RD
780 APPLGROVE RD
685 APPLGROVE RD
620 APPLGROVE RD
1320 APPLGROVE RD
612 APPLGROVE RD
604 APPLGROVE RD
1500 APPLGROVE RD
504 APPLGROVE RD
1530 APPLGROVE RD
430 APPLGROVE RD
348 APPLGROVE RD
1710 APPLGROVE RD
920 APPLGROVE RD

For residents who remain on Evacuation Order, a reminder to register online with Emergency Support Services (ESS) at <https://ess.gov.bc.ca/>. **If you do require ESS support, please report to the Nakusp & District Sports Complex (200 8<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, Nakusp, BC).** Short-term assistance for immediate needs of food, shelter, and clothing may be provided by ESS volunteers following registration at the above website. For further assistance you can call the RDCK EOC public inquiry line 250-352-7701.

For those who have been under Evacuation Order for longer than 10 consecutive days during the 2021 wildfire season, the BC government has teamed up with the Red Cross to provide financial support. Visit [the Red Cross website](#) for more information.

The RDCK advises residents on Evacuation Alert to remain vigilant and be prepared to leave the area at a moment's notice. It is recommended to prepare an emergency kit and ensure preparedness, including moving pets and livestock to a safe area, in the event the situation worsens and an Evacuation Order is enforced. Part of your plan should include where you can go if evacuated.

The Octopus Creek wildfire was first discovered on July 11 and is currently estimated at 18,083 hectares. The BCWS has determined the cause to be lightning.

Updates or changes to the Evacuation Order and Alert will be provided via the [RDCK website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). For details about evacuations and emergency preparedness, along with other resources, please visit [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo).

For up to date information on current wildfire activity, conditions and prohibitions, call 1 888 3-FOREST (1 888-336-7378) or visit [www.bcwildfire.ca](http://www.bcwildfire.ca).

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

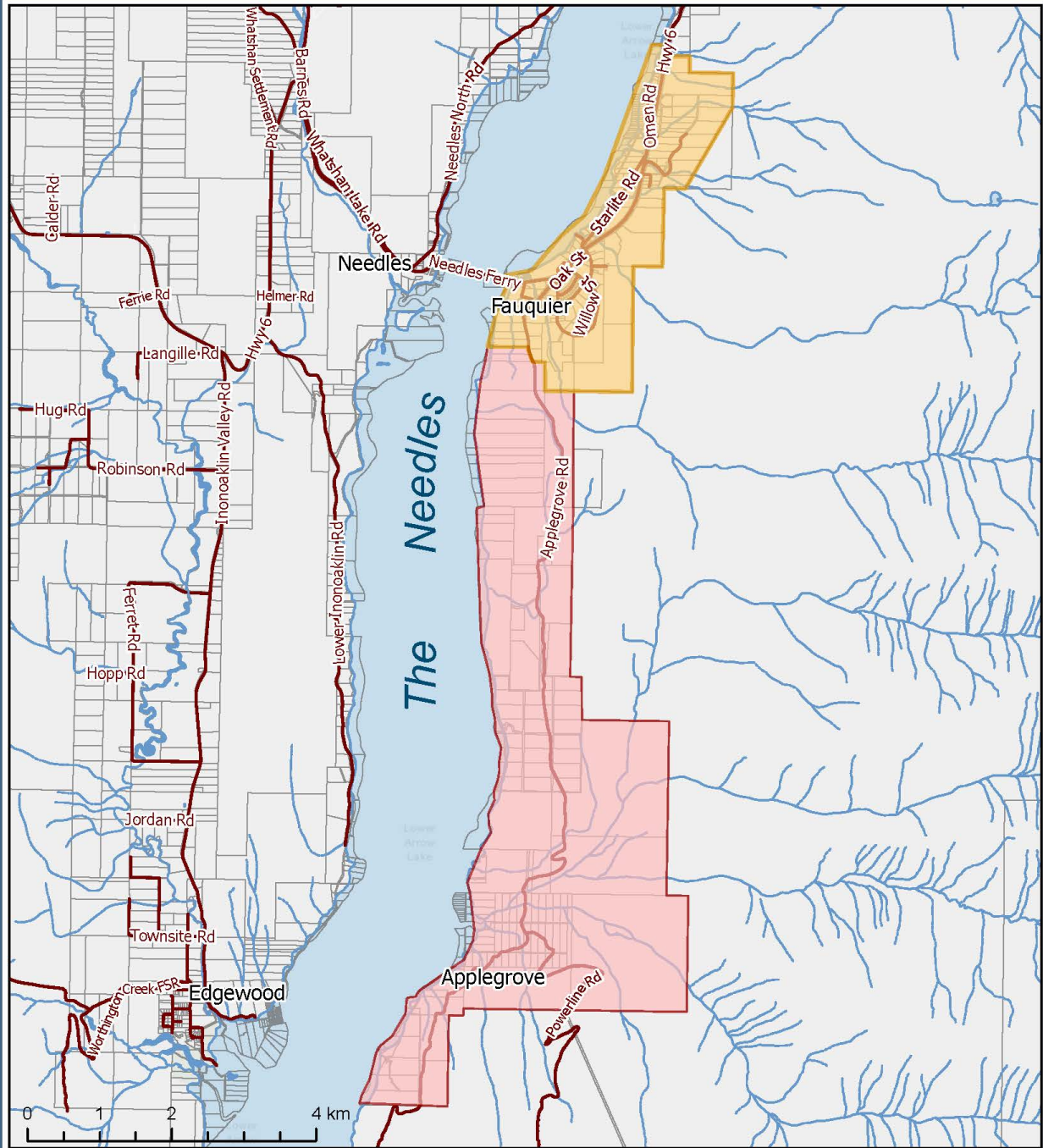
- Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds: [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo) or call 250-352-7701
- [Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications](#)
- [BC Wildfire – Interactive Map of Current Fires](#)
- [Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada](#)
- [Highway closures and conditions from DriveBC](#)
- [For the BC Air Quality Health Index](#)
- [Emergency preparedness information and tips from the Prepared BC website](#)

*Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit [www.rdck.ca](http://www.rdck.ca).*

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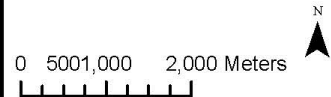
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**Octopus Creek  
 Evacuation Alert/Order Areas**

- Roads
- Legal Parcels
- Evacuation Order
- Evacuation Alert



The mapping information shown are approximate representations and should only be used for reference purposes. The Regional District of Central Kootenay is not responsible for any errors or omissions on this map.