

# **Media Release**

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## **Evacuation Alert issued for Mulvey Creek wildfire**

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 16 properties due to the Mulvey Creek wildfire (N51117), which is part of the Slocan Lake Complex. Located west of the Village of Slocan on the southern edge of Valhalla Provincial Park in Electoral Area H, the wildfire was originally discovered on July 18. The suspected cause of the fire is lightning strikes and has been categorized as out of control. See map of the Evacuation Alert area below.

The Evacuation Alert covers the following properties:

### ADDRESSES

7300 Mulvey Creek Road 7315 Mulvey Creek Road 7555 Mulvey Creek Road 7780 Mulvey Creek Road 7995 Mulvey Creek Road 6000 Mulvey Creek Way

#### PIDs

008-362-033 009-728-911 011-841-150 012-343-510 023-527-722 6005 Mulvey Creek Way 7255 Little Slocan FSR 7613 Little Slocan FSR 7650 Little Slocan FSR 8745 Slocan West Road

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. It is recommended to prepare a grab-and-go bag packed with the essentials and make a plan of where to go if you are evacuated. Emergency Services Support (ESS) provides a tool to register online if you are on Evacuation Order or if you are preparing for an evacuation. To register or create a profile go to <u>https://ess.gov.bc.ca/</u>.

Part of your plan should also include moving pets and livestock to a safe area in the event the situation worsens and an Evacuation Order is enforced.

Updates or changes to the Evacuation Alert will be provided via the <u>RDCK website</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>X</u> as more information becomes available. For details about evacuation and emergency preparedness, along with other resources, please visit <u>www.rdck.ca/eocinfo</u>. The RDCK EOC public inquiry line is 250.352.7701.

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:

- <u>Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds</u> or call 250.352.7701
- Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications
- RDCK web map
- Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada
- <u>BC Wildfire Interactive Map of Current Events</u>
- Fortis BC Outage Map or call 1.866.436.7847
- <u>BC Hydro outage map</u> or call 1.800.224.9376
- <u>Nelson Hydro</u> 1.877.324.9376
- Drive BC for highway closures and road conditions
- For BC Air Quality Health Index
- Prepared BC

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 <u>www.rdck.ca</u>.

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