

Media Release

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Evacuation Alert rescinded for Ponderosa wildfire Evacuation Alert partially rescinded for Mulvey Creek wildfire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the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) has rescinded the Evacuation Alert for residents impacted by the Ponderosa wildfire and partially rescinded the Evacuation Alert for residents impacted by the Mulvey Creek wildfire. Both wildfires are part of the Slocan Lake Complex. The Evacuation Alert rescind area includes 129 properties and 48 parcel identifiers (PIDs) in Electoral Area H on the east side of Highway 6, from Kennedy Road to north of the Village of Slocan and a portion of properties on the west side of Slocan River.

Residents on the west side of Slocan West Road as it turns into Little Slocan Road will remain on Evacuation Alert due to the impact of the Mulvey Creek wildfire. There are still 37 addresses and 39 PIDs on Evacuation Alert, plus another three PIDs on Evacuation Order due to the Mulvey Creek wildfire.

The majority of the area was on Evacuation Order starting July 28 through August 12 when the Evacuation Order was downgraded to an Evacuation Alert.

As of August 22, BCWS has categorized the Ponderosa wildfire as "Being Held".

EVACUATION ALERT RESCIND ADDRESSES ELECTORAL AREA H (129):

8914	AUSTYN	RD	8064	HIGHWAY 6	8416	HIGHWAY 6
8941	AUSTYN	RD	8074	HIGHWAY 6	8424	HIGHWAY 6
8946	AUSTYN	RD	8098	HIGHWAY 6	8448	HIGHWAY 6
7720	AVIS	RD	8140	HIGHWAY 6	8482	HIGHWAY 6
8777	GRAVEL PIT	RD	8150	HIGHWAY 6	8484	HIGHWAY 6
8528	GREEN SONG	RD	8156	HIGHWAY 6	8488	HIGHWAY 6
7740	HIGHWAY 6		8210	HIGHWAY 6	8498	HIGHWAY 6
7756	HIGHWAY 6		8246	HIGHWAY 6	8510	HIGHWAY 6
7802	HIGHWAY 6		8252	HIGHWAY 6	8532	HIGHWAY 6
8046	HIGHWAY 6		8330	HIGHWAY 6	8558	HIGHWAY 6
8050	HIGHWAY 6		8392	HIGHWAY 6	8578	HIGHWAY 6

8596	HIGHWAY 6			8907	MARTENS	RD		8202	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8600	HIGHWAY 6			8910	MARTENS	RD		8588	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8604	HIGHWAY 6			8911	MARTENS	RD		8726	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8616	HIGHWAY 6			8670	MEYERS	RD		8824	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8620	HIGHWAY 6			8686	MEYERS	RD		8828	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8632	HIGHWAY 6			7547	POPOU	RD		8828	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8822	HIGHWAY 6			7549	POPOU	RD		8830	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8870	HIGHWAY 6			7825	POPOU	RD		8832	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8878	HIGHWAY 6			7835	POPOU	RD		8842	SLOCAN WEST	RD
9120	HIGHWAY 6			7840	POPOU	RD		8846	SLOCAN WEST	RD
7803	LEMON CREEK	K	RD	7842	POPOU	RD		8854	SLOCAN WEST	RD
7810	LEMON CREEK	K	RD	7844	POPOU	RD		8858	SLOCAN WEST	RD
7928	LEMON CREEK	K	RD	7850	POPOU		RD	8860	SLOCAN WEST	RD
7650	LITTLE SLOCA	N	FSR	7602	ROOSTER		RD	8862	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8716	MARTENS		RD	7610	ROOSTER		RD	8866	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8741	MARTENS		RD	7611	ROOSTER		RD	8872	SLOCAN WEST	RD
8743	MARTENS		RD	7618	ROOSTER		RD	8904	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8744	MARTENS		RD	7624	ROOSTER		RD	8912	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8750	MARTENS F	RD		7630	ROOSTER		RD	8915	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8759	MARTENS F	RD		7637	ROOSTER		RD	8929	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8760	MARTENS F	RD		7641	ROOSTER		RD	8932	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8780	MARTENS F	RD		7667	ROOSTER		RD	8938	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8802	MARTENS F	RD		7672	ROOSTER		RD	8943	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8806	MARTENS F	RD		7681	ROOSTER		RD	8990	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8818	MARTENS F	RD		7682	ROOSTER		RD	8994	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8827	MARTENS F	RD		7687	ROOSTER		RD	9002	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8835	MARTENS F	RD		7694	ROOSTER		RD	9006	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8837	MARTENS F	RD		7699	ROOSTER		RD	9008	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8847	MARTENS F	RD		7721	ROOSTER		RD	9150	SPRINGER CREEK	FSR
8866	MARTENS F	RD		8040	SLOCAN WE	ST	RD	9219	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8875	MARTENS F	RD		8077	SLOCAN WE	ST	RD	9223	SPRINGER CREEK	RD
8904	MARTENS F	RD		8162	SLOCAN WE	ST	RD	9257	SPRINGER CREEK	RD

EVACUATION ALERT RESCIND PIDS ELECTORAL AREA H (48):

006-781-985	013-286-137	016-017-196	016-378-067	016-925-629
007-821-000	013-286-137	016-017-269	016-450-671	017-030-781
008-362-050	014-737-825	016-017-285	016-736-524	017-737-711
009-178-503	015-540-430	016-017-293	016-746-716	017-924-014
009-728-911	015-785-785	016-056-337	016-818-792	019-065-388
010-466-720	015-916-677	016-068-238	016-925-351	019-209-703

023-214-813	024-669-121	025-877-861	026-388-901	030-061-369
023-315-521	025-877-861	025-877-861	027-547-078	032-087-853
023-424-192	025-877-861	026-257-530	028-281-683	
024-666-114	025-877-861	026-388-901	028-386-051	

As of August 3, the Aylwin Creek and Komonko Creek wildfires merged at Enterprise Creek and moving forward are referred under the Komonko Creek wildfire, part of the Slocan Lake Complex. The Slocan Lake Complex includes the Aylwin Creek wildfire, Komonko Creek wildfire, Mulvey Creek wildfire, Nemo Creek wildfire, and Ponderosa wildfire. A complex is created when multiple wildfires are managed by a single Incident Management Team, and resources and equipment are shared between all incidents in the complex.

Updates or changes to the Evacuation Alert or Order 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 or 1.866.522.7701 (toll free).

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
- Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications
- 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

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.

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