



Media Release

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Evacuation Order rescinded for Glacier Creek FSR

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the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) has rescinded the Evacuation Order for one property on Glacier Creek Forest Service Road (FSR) in Electoral Area D due to the Argenta Creek wildfire (formerly the Glacier Creek wildfire), part of the Lavina Complex. See map below.

Evacuation Order Rescind Address (1)

100 GLACIER CREEK FSR

Despite the Evacuation Order being rescinded, Glacier Creek FSR will remain CLOSED under order from the Selkirk Natural Resource District. Due to hazards that remain on the road, closures could continue for an extended period of time. Access to the Macbeth Icefields, Monica Meadows, and Jumbo Pass Trail could be impacted by this closure as well. Check out www.sitesandtrailsbc.ca for the latest information.

Glacier Creek Regional Park will remain closed until further notice. Park structures were not damaged due to the wildfire, but a risk assessment must be completed before the park can reopen to the public.

The Lavina Complex includes the Argenta Creek wildfire, Lower Meadow Mountain wildfire, and Howser Ridge 3 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. On July 27 BCWS merged the Glacier Creek wildfire with the Argenta Creek wildfire and moving forward are referred under the Argenta Creek wildfire

The Argenta Creek wildfire was first discovered on July 18 and estimated at 19,153 hectares. The BCWS has determined the cause to be lightning. As of August 26, BCWS has categorized the Argenta Creek wildfire as "Being Held".

Residents are returning to a community where the surrounding area was affected by a wildfire. Unseen dangers may linger when returning to their homes and properties, ranging from gas leaks and weakened foundations to danger trees, and exposed wires and power lines. Using caution can help reduce potential injuries. When in doubt, consult an expert for help.

The RDCK advises all residents to read through the information in this [re-entry document](#) on what to do when you return home after a wildfire.

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.

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
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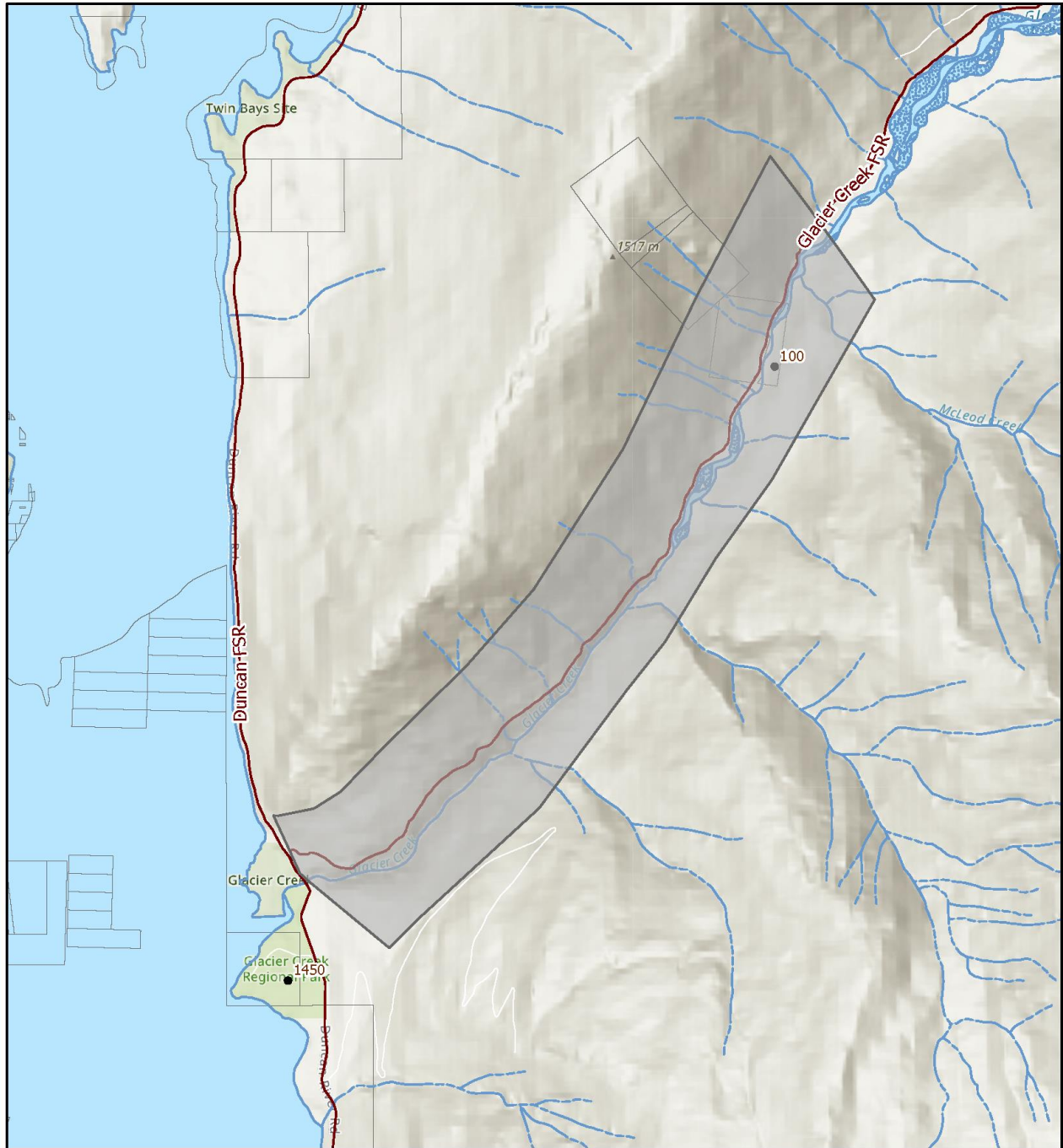
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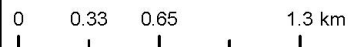
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rdck.ca/notifications
To report a flood, landslide, spill or other hazards:
1-800-663-3456

Lavina Wildfire Complex (Glacier Creek) Evacuation Order Rescind

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Map Scale: 1:28,000



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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.