



August 28, 2020
Emergency Operations Centre

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY INFORMATION BULLETIN

NELSON, BC: The Evacuation Alert for Lebahdo, Little Slokan, Passmore and Vallican will remain in place this weekend due to the Talbot Creek Wildfire. The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC), based on the recommendation from BC Wildfire Service, originally issued the alert on Saturday August 22. [Click here](#) to read the original Evacuation Alert.

[The Talbot Creek Wildfire](#) is located in the Slokan Valley, approximately 3.5 km northwest of Highway 6 and 30 km north of Castlegar. The fire is an estimated 323 hectares in size and continues to produce smoke that is highly visible from the Slokan Valley as well as surrounding communities. 305 homes in Lebahdo, Little Slokan, Passmore and Vallican are on alert.

An area restriction is in effect beginning at the intersection of the power lines and Little Slokan Main Forest Service Road, heading northwest then north following, and including, the Little Slokan Main Forest Service Road, heading east at the south end of Upper Little Slokan Lake to the height of land on Perry Ridge. Following the height of land south over Perry Peak, heading southwest in a straight line intersecting Little Slokan South Rd and continuing back to the point of commencement. Little Slokan lake is not included in the area restriction, it can still be accessed from the north.

[Click here](#) for a map of the area restriction.

For more information, the BC Wildfire Service has community information boards set up at the Winlaw and Passmore fire departments, as well as the Vallican Whole Community Centre.

Follow the links below to stay up to date.

[BC Wildfire Service](#)

[EmergencyInfoBC](#)

[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](#).

Ensure part of your plan is to contact friends or family to stay with in the event of an evacuation. Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are limited options for lodging. As a result, people that are evacuated will be asked to do what they can to find alternate accommodations, leaving the few available spots for those that need it most.

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

[PreparedBC
FireSmart](#)

[Wildfire Preparedness Guide
Livestock Relocation](#)

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EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

BC Wildfire 1-800-663-5555 or *5555

BC Hydro 1-800-224-9376

Fortis BC 1-866-436-7847 or 911