



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

### INFORMATION RELEASE

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#### Evacuation Alert For Properties North of Oliver in Electoral Area "C"

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An Evacuation Alert has been issued by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Emergency Operations Centre (RDOS EOC).

The RDOS EOC has placed several properties under **Evacuation Alert** due to a wildfire north of Oliver in Electoral Area "C."

All properties on the east side of BC Highway 97, extending south from McIntyre Creek Road to James Way south of Gallagher Lake, including Brauns Road and Gallagher Lake Road; and further includes all properties on James Way, and then extending southeast to McKinney Road at Manuels Creek Road; and extending to the north along the west side of Manuels Creek Road to approximately 3.5 kms on McIntyre Creek Road.

Additional properties in the region may potentially be impacted.

BC Wildfire and the RDOS EOC are actively assessing the situation and should conditions deteriorate, Evacuation Orders may be issued for affected residents.

An **Evacuation Alert** has been issued to prepare you to evacuate your premises or property should an Evacuation Order be issued. Property owners will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to an Evacuation Order, however you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

Proactive measures to prepare for an **Evacuation Order** are strongly advised.

Please see map below.

For more information visit the RDOS EOC website <https://emergency.rdos.bc.ca>

Issued by Director of RDOS Emergency Operations Centre

RDOS EOC 250-490-4225

BC Wildfire Service | Active Wildfires:

<https://governmentofbc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=ef6f11c8c36b42c29e103f65dbcd7538>

Drive BC: [www.drivebc.com](http://www.drivebc.com)

To Report a Wildfire Call: 1-800-663-5555 or \*5555 on your mobile phone.



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## WHAT YOU SHOULD DO WHEN AN EVACUATION ALERT IS IN EFFECT

Upon notification of an ALERT, you should be prepared to leave the area immediately by:

- Locating all family members or co-workers and designate a meeting place outside the evacuation area, should an evacuation be called while separated.
- Gathering essential items such as medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), cell phone charges and immediate care needs for dependents and keepsakes (photographs, etc.). Have these items readily available for quick departure.
- Preparing to move any disabled persons and/or children.
- Moving pets and livestock to a safe area.
- Arranging to transport household members or co-workers in the event of an evacuation order. Affected residents needing transportation assistance from the area can call the RDOS Emergency Operations Centre at 250-490-4225.
- Arranging accommodation for family members if possible. In the event of an evacuation, Reception Centres will be opened if required. Contact 250-490-4225 for information.
- Only **First Responders**, such as Police, Fire, Search and Rescue, or local government staff, will come to doors.
- Monitoring news sources for information on **Evacuation Orders** and locations of Reception Centres.