

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE (EOC)



INFORMATION RELEASE

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EOC Update: KVR Trail Closed Near Shinish Creek Road

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Emergency Operations Centre (RDOS EOC) continues to monitor a debris slide near Shinish Creek Road. The incident was reported just after 7:00 am on Saturday, April 25th. The slide occurred near the intersection of Shinish Creek Road and BC Highway #40 Princeton-Summerland Road, in Electoral Area H.

The debris field washed out a section of the KVR Trail which remains closed in the area, until further notice. RDOS crews have placed signage at the site to warn trail users. The damaged section of the trail is approximately 70 metres in length. Princeton-Summerland Road (BC Highway #40) was closed for several hours while crews cleared away debris. The road was opened to all traffic just after 3:00 pm on April 25th.

There were no injuries reported or damage to structures as a result of the debris slide. Crews will be assessing the damaged section of trail over the next several days.

Please visit the RDOS EOC website for updates.

Flooding and Landslides

This incident is an important reminder of the potential dangers posed by landslides. Get to know your terrain and waterways. The best way to prepare is to be aware of changes that could signal a landslide. Learn how to recognize landslide danger signs. Visit **PreparedBC** online:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/landslides>

It is important for property owners to prepare now by understanding the risks in advance. In British Columbia, property owners are responsible for taking the necessary steps on their property to protect their home and property from flooding, while government emergency programs focus on broader flood response measures.

Sandbagging Information and COVID-19 Precautions:

http://www.rdosmaps.bc.ca/min_bylaws/NewAndEvents/Press_Releases/2020/20200403_1630_EOC_Sandbagging_COVID19_Info_Release.pdf

RDOS EOC Sandbagging Video: <https://youtu.be/thZwVWyXjMQ>

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