## **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE (EOC)**



## INFORMATION RELEASE

Friday, May 8, 2020

**EOC Update: Localized Flooding in Faulder** 

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Emergency Operations Centre (RDOS EOC) is working with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) and ACCIONA Infrastructure Maintenance

(AIM Roads) to monitor localized flooding in the Faulder area.

The flooding was first reported to the RDOS on Monday, May 4. The RDOS rapidly deployed sand and sandbags to the community to support property owners with protecting their property. Sand and sandbags are available at the Faulder Sandbag Centre located at the intersection of Fish Lake Rd and Kettle Place, in Electoral Area "F".

It is important for property owners to understand their responsibilities and risks as it relates to their property. In British Columbia, property owners are responsible for taking the necessary steps to protect their property from flooding, while government emergency programs focus on broader flood response measures. The RDOS has developed a COVID-19 sandbagging procedure video to help residents prepare for the freshet while maintaining physical distancing.

Continuing to protect your property is important as snow melt increases and temperatures rise. Property owners should be familiar with their terrain and waterways. If there is flooding on your property and you lose access or you feel unsafe, please call 9-1-1. The RDOS can provide Emergency Support Services for people who are required to leave their property due to an Evacuation Order issued by the EOC.

Please follow provincial directives to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

RDOS EOC Sandbagging and COVID-19 Precautions Video: https://youtu.be/HgJE-8XDzwU

RDOS EOC Sandbagging How To Video: https://youtu.be/thZwVWyXjMQ

## **Sandbagging Information and COVID-19 Precautions:**

http://www.rdosmaps.bc.ca/min\_bylaws/NewAndEvents/Press\_Releases/2020/20200403\_1630\_EOC\_S\_andbagging\_COVID19\_Info\_Release.pdf

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