

EVACUATION ALERT August 2, 2022 at 15:30 hours

An Evacuation **Alert** has been issued by the Regional District of East Kootenay due to wildfire threat and the **potential** danger to life and health for the Mt. Connell (Gold Creek FSR Area) as outlined on the attached map.

The purpose of this Alert is to prepare you to evacuate your premises or property if necessary. You will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to evacuation; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

While the Evacuation Alert is in place, you should prepare for a possible Evacuation Order by:

- Locating all household members and designate a meeting point outside the evacuation area.
- Gathering essential items such as medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (e.g., insurance), immediate care needs for dependents. 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.
- Making transportation arrangements for your household members in the event of an Evacuation Order. If you need transportation assistance, please call 250-489-9677
- Arranging accommodation for your family if possible. In the event of an evacuation, Reception Centres will be opened if required.
- Monitoring news sources for information on Evacuation Orders and locations of Reception Centres.
- Register for the Evacuation Notification System at www.rdek.bc.ca this will ensure that we can reach you rapidly if the evacuation status changes.

Further information will be issued should the situation change; updates will be provided on the RDEK website (www.rdek.bc.ca) and Facebook page. For more information call the RDEK Information line at 250-426-2188 or toll free at 1-855-346-2188.

If you are not already on the RDEK's Area C (rural Cbk, Gold Ck, Jim Smith, Wycliffe, Westview Estates) email group and would like to be added for emergency notifications, visit https://www.rdek.bc.ca/about/email group sign up to sign up.

THIS IS ONLY AN ALERT MEANT TO HELP YOU PREPARE IN THE EVENT EVACUATION IS REQUIRED. SHOULD THE SITUATION CHANGE, AN EVACUATION ORDER WILL BE ISSUED.

Rob Gay, Chair

Regional District of East Kootenay

