

NEWS RELEASE

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Evacuation order and alert lifted for areas by Quesnel Lake

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately, the Cariboo Regional District has lifted the evacuation order for the area on the northwest side of Quesnel Lake and the evacuation alert for the Maeford Lake area to all clear.

See the following maps of the all clear areas:

- Northwest Side of Quesnel Lake: http://bit.ly/2vNjYXH
- Maeford Lake: http://bit.ly/2eGT1tH

Additional areas east and west of the Fraser River within the Cariboo Regional District remain on evacuation order or alert. View a searchable online map for current alerts or order here: https://arcg.is/0zvWOq

For rural properties that have been impacted by wildfire, residents should be aware there may be danger trees in wildfire affected areas. Home owners and private land owners are recommended to work with an insurance agency to have an assessment done by a qualified arborist on their private property.

An evacuation alert or order may need to be re-issued as wildfire activity continues in the area, air quality remains poor and additional areas within the CRD remain on evacuation alert or order.

To ensure public safety, stay out of fire affected areas and obey all warning and hazard signs. Interfering in an active fire area will result in crews ceasing ground and air operations potentially endangering nearby properties.

If you have any questions for Emergency Support Services (ESS) please call 587-645-5185.

For Cariboo Regional District information, please visit <u>cariboord.ca</u> or <u>facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations</u> or <u>@CaribooRD</u> or call the CRD's public information line at 1-866-759-4977.

Residents are strongly encouraged to register for the Cariboo Chilcotin Emergency Notification System to receive a text, call or email regarding evacuation alerts and orders: https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085612292#/signup

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