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EVACUATION ALERT COAL RIVER AREA

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An Evacuation Alert has been issued by the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality at the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

There is a wildfire located in the Coal River area approximately 3.3 km kilometers southeast of the Coal River Lodge. Because of the potential danger to life and health, the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality has issued an **Evacuation Alert** for the following areas:

- Along the Alaska Highway from the Smith River Forest Service Road to just south of Fireside, a 10km wide strip bordered with the Liard River on the south side and 8 km off the highway to the north
- Please see the attached map for the exact impacted areas under evacuation alert which is indicated by the red border with the pink shaded area inside

An Evacuation Alert has been issued to prepare you to evacuate your premises or property should it be found necessary. Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to evacuation; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- Locate all family members and designate a meeting area outside the evacuation area, should an Evacuation Order be called while separated.
- Pack essential items such as government-issued ID, medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (e.g. insurance, credit, and mortgage information), immediate care needs for dependents and, if time and space permits, keepsakes for quick departure.
- Highway travelers in the area should be prepared to leave quickly and be prepared for travel delays should the highway be closed. Travelers can check in with lodge and facility operators along the Alaska Highway for updates or monitor <u>www.northernrockies.ca</u> if you have internet service.
- Prepare to move disabled persons, children and/or neighbours, if assistance is needed.
- Prepare to take pets with you and move livestock to a safe area (if possible).
- Arrange transportation for all your household members. Fill the gas tanks of personal vehicles.
- Arrange accommodation for all members of the residence, if possible. In the event of an evacuation, Reception Centres will be opened if required.
- Wait for an Evacuation Order to be issued before evacuating. Monitor news sources_for information on evacuation orders and location of Reception Centres.



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