

Neskonlith Indian Band

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EVACUATION ORDER Neskonlith Indian Band IR2 DOWNGRADED TO EVACUATION ALERT

Neskonlith Indian Band has been advised that the imminent risk of danger to life and property in your area has diminished at this time.

The Evacuation Order, pursuant to the Authority of the Council under Sections 81 and 88 of the Indian Act is therefore downgraded to an evacuation alert. An Evacuation Order may need to be reinstated; therefore, the process would re-commence.

DATE: July 2, 2025, AT 10:00 AM THE **NESKONLITH INDIAN BAND** is **DOWNGRADING** the **EVACUATION ORDER** that was issued on Monday June 30, 2025, **TO AN EVACUATION ALERT.**

Evacuation Alert

Due to the risk of the <u>Scatchard Mountain Fire</u> the **Neskonlith Indian Band** are urging residents and visitors within the area described as <u>IR# 2</u> to be prepared to **evacuate** if ordered to do so by emergency officials.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO WHEN AN EVACUATION ALERT IS IN EFFECT

You **should** be prepared for the evacuation order by:

- Locating all family members or co-workers and designate a safe meeting place in the event that an evacuation order is called.
- Gathering essential items such as medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), immediate care needs for dependents and, if you choose, keepsakes (photographs, etc.). Have these items readily available for a quick departure.
- Consider moving any disabled persons and/or children to a safe area.
- Moving pets and livestock to a safe area.
- Arranging to transport your household members or co-workers in the event of an evacuation order.
- Arranging accommodation for your family if possible. In the event of an evacuation, emergency accommodation will be provided if required.
- Monitoring news outlets for information on location of Reception Centres and status of evacuation orders.

IF YOU HAVE TO EVACUATE

- Lock your home, take an emergency survival kit with you.
- Make sure you take prescription medicine and identification for the entire family.
- Listen to the radio and follow instructions from local emergency officials.
- If you are instructed to do so, shut off water, gas and electricity.
- Make arrangements for your pets. Local emergency officials will advise you.
- Wear clothes and shoes appropriate for the conditions.
- Follow the routes specified by emergency officials. Don't take shortcuts. A shortcut could take
 you to a blocked or dangerous area.
- If you have time, leave a note telling others when you left and where you went. If you have a mailbox, you can leave the note there.
- If you have time turn off all outside water sprinklers so water is conserved for firefighting efforts.
- If you are evacuated, register with the local ESS emergency reception centre at Adams Lake Gym & Conference Centre, so you can be contacted or reunited with your family and loved ones. You can also register online at <u>https://ess.gov.bc.ca</u> or call 1-800-585-9559.

EVERY ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO PROVIDE AS MUCH ADVANCED NOTICE AS POSSIBLE SHOULD EVACUATION BE REQUIRED.

CHANGING WEATHER CONDITIONS HOWEVER MAY RESULT IN LITTLE OR NO NOTICE.

<u>BE PREPARED!</u>

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