



Nc'á̓tētkw̓u - Coldwater Indian Band

**Band Council
Resolution**

**BCR#
01-006-2026/27**

RE: Brunswick Creek Wildfire Complex – Evacuation Alert Paul's Basin IR No.2

WHEREAS:

- A. The Brunswick Creek Wildfire Complex, consisting of the Brunswick Creek and Ainslie Creek wildfires, continues to burn out of control in the Fraser Canyon and Thompson-Nicola Regional District of British Columbia, however, wildfire activity and associated risks to Paul's Basin Indian Reserve No. 2 have decreased;
- B. BC Wildfire Service continues to monitor the Brunswick Creek Wildfire Complex and has advised that while the immediate threat to Paul's Basin Indian Reserve No. 2 has diminished, changing weather, wind, terrain, and fuel conditions may result in increased wildfire activity and potential renewed threats to the area;
- C. On August 27, 2026, representatives of the Coldwater Indian Band attended an Emergency Management Climate Readiness Provincial Regional Emergency Operations Centre (PREOC) meeting, during which information and recommendations were received from BC Wildfire Service regarding current wildfire conditions and risks associated with the Brunswick Creek Wildfire Complex;
- D. At that meeting, BC Wildfire Service recommended that the Coldwater Indian Band downgrade the Evacuation Order for Paul's Basin Indian Reserve No. 2 to an Evacuation Alert effective Saturday August 29, 2026, at 12:00pm due to reduced wildfire risk while maintaining preparedness for changing conditions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Chief and Council hereby rescind the Evacuation Order for Paul's Basin Indian Reserve No. 2 and downgrade the area to an Evacuation Alert, effective August 29, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., due to the reduced threat posed by the Brunswick Creek Wildfire Complex.
- 2. Residents, occupants, land users, and visitors within Paul's Basin Indian Reserve No. 2 are advised to remain prepared to evacuate on short notice should wildfire conditions change.
- 3. The attached map identifying the Evacuation Alert area forms part of this Resolution.
- 4. This Evacuation Alert shall remain in effect until the threat has diminished and the Alert may be rescinded, or until conditions deteriorate and an Evacuation Order is required.

5. The Band Administrator, Emergency Operations Centre personnel, designated staff, and first responders are authorized to take all necessary actions to communicate and implement this Evacuation Alert and provide further updates as information becomes available.

This resolution was passed at a duly convened meeting of Nc̓áłetkʷu - Coldwater Indian Band Council held on the 28 day of August, 2026, at Nc̓áłetkʷu – Coldwater Indian Band IR #1.

Chief T. Lee Spahan



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Quorum consists of 6 members of Chief and Council.