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Evacuation Alert Removed from Coastal Zone



The City of Parksville has removed the evacuation alert for waterfront properties and businesses north of Highway 19A from Sutherland Crescent East to Surfside RV Resort. These properties include Surfside RV Resort, Pacific Palms RV Resort, Parksville Curling Club, Parksville Community Park, Park Sands Beach Resort, Beach Club Resort, Sea Edge Beachside Hotel, and properties 259 Sutherland Crescent and 281 Sutherland Crescent.

The threat from flooding has subsided enough that residents in this area are no longer required to remain on standby to evacuate.

Important Safety Reminders for Residents

While the Evacuation Alert has been lifted, localized hazards and active response operations remain in the area. Residents are urged to follow these safety precautions:

- **Stay away from waterways and slopes:** Riverbanks, creek beds, and steep slopes may be saturated and unstable. Keep children and pets well back from fast-flowing water and eroded embankments, which can give way without warning.
- **Never cross floodwaters:** Do not walk, swim, or drive through standing or moving water. Roadways beneath floodwaters may be washed out, and shallow, fast-moving currents can easily sweep a vehicle off the road.
- **Stay aware of hazards on your property:** Continue to monitor your property for signs of ground movement, such as new cracks in foundations or soil, tilting trees, or sudden changes in water clarity in nearby creeks.
- **Respect road closures and crews:** Obey all barricades, signage, and traffic control personnel.
- **Stay prepared:** Weather and watershed conditions can change rapidly. Keep your emergency grab-and-go kits packed and continue monitoring www.parksville.ca for updates, *as an Evacuation Alert may be reissued if conditions worsen.*

"I am very pleased to see this evacuation alert lifted with no significant impacts to property or loss of life as a result of flooding. Our community's response to this extreme weather event is truly appreciated. I extend my sincere thanks to residents and businesses for preparing diligently, remaining calm and taking steps to stay safe, and to City staff and our regional and provincial emergency partners for their effective response, coordination and timely communications that kept our community informed."

- **Mayor Mary Beil**

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