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Cariboo Chilcotin Local Governments Launch Emergency Notification System

Cariboo Chilcotin, B.C. – On May 5, 2015, the Everbridge Emergency Notification System will be available to residents throughout the Cariboo Chilcotin. Headed up by the Cariboo Regional District and in partnership with the District of 100 Mile House, the City of Quesnel, the District of Wells and the City of Williams Lake, the system will be available to all residents free of charge and will provide mass emergency notifications throughout the region.

“This new emergency notification system will provide the affected communities and its residents with the required information immediately in an emergency situation,” stated CRD Chair Al Richmond. “Keeping our residents safe and informed during emergency events is a priority and responsibility that we take seriously and we feel this platform will help provide us a better way of serving our communities.”

Residents who register for the program will receive notifications about emergency and time-sensitive events happening near their home, work, school, or other locations that they have pre-selected during the registration process. Residents can register to receive these updates using up to six different ways to be contacted including:

- Home phone(s)
- Office phone(s) with extension(s)
- Cell phone(s)
- Text message(s)
- Mobile App (iPhone & Android)
- Email(s)

“This exciting new service will be huge step forward in the ability to notify our residents in an emergency situation,” says District of 100 Mile House Mayor Mitch Campsall. “It will save precious seconds during these events, when seconds can make the difference between life and death.

“We're pleased to partner with our neighbouring communities to implement this mass notification system,” said Bob Simpson, City of Quesnel Mayor. “This system will allow us to communicate quickly during emergencies and we'll be encouraging Quesnel and area residents to register for the program as soon it's up and running

The new Emergency Notification System will be a giant step forward in providing quick and effective emergency information to the citizens of our communities,” stated District of Wells Mayor Robin Sharpe. “Providing fast factual information will increase the safety of our citizens during an emergency.”

“I encourage all Williams Lake residents to register for the program, and receive real-time notifications about emergencies in the places that matter to them,” stated Williams Lake Mayor Walt Cobb. “In an emergency situation, prompt, accurate information is critical.”

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To register, visit your local government’s website and select the “Sign Up For Emergency Notifications” icon on the home page to register. Every member of your family that has a cell phone, a personal email account, text messaging or Apps, needs to register so that no matter where your family are when an emergency strikes, they will know what is happening and what to do. If you require any assistance in registering please do not hesitate to contact your presiding local government office.

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