



Ulkatcho

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For Immediate Release

Evacuation order issued for Anahim Lake and Nimpo Lake Area

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately, the Cariboo Regional District and the Ulkatcho First Nation have issued an evacuation order for areas around Anahim Lake and the entire Ulkatcho First Nation territory.

The Cariboo Regional District Evacuation order includes Anahim Lake, Nimpo Lake, Charlotte Lake and area.

The Ulkatcho First Nation Evacuation Order includes: Main Reserve, Old Ulkatcho, 21 Reserve, Towdystan, Fish Trap, 2-mile 14A, Squinas 2A and/or members of the Ulkatcho First Nation. For more information please contact Chief and Council.

Due to immediate danger, members of the RCMP or other groups will be expediting this action. The evacuation route is : East on Highway 20 towards Williams Lake; or West on Highway 20 towards Bella Coola (please note that there will be no group lodging available in Bella Coola).

View a map of the affected areas here: <http://bit.ly/2vU2Or1>

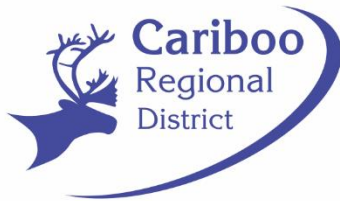
If you are leaving East on Highway 20 and have accommodations arranged, register at ESS in Williams Lake at Boitano Mall between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. If you require group lodging, register at the ESS Reception Centre in Prince George at the Civic Centre at 808 Canada Games Way.

If you are travelling West on Highway 20 and have accommodations arranged, register at the ESS Reception in Bella Coola at the Bella Coola Valley Inn at 441 Mackenzie Street between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. Please note that there will be no group lodging available in Bella Coola.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- You must leave the area immediately.
- Register for ESS as explained above.
- Close all windows and doors.
- Shut off all gas and electrical appliances, other than refrigerators and freezers.
- Close gates (latch) but do not lock.
- Gather your family: take a neighbour or someone who needs help.
- Take critical items (medicine, purse, wallet, and Keys) only if they are immediately available. Take pets in pet kennels or on leash.
- Do not use more vehicles than you have to.
- Do not use the telephone unless you need emergency service

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Further information will be issued as it becomes available. Please visit the CRD Emergency Operations Facebook page at [facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations](https://www.facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations) as well as the CRD website at cariboord.ca. For more information contact the CRD's public information line at 1-866-759-4977.

Residents are strongly encouraged to register for the Cariboo Chilcotin Emergency Notification System to receive a text, call or email regarding Evacuation Alerts and Orders: <https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085612292#/signup>

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