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Evacuation Alert Lifted for some areas East of the Fraser River

Williams Lake, B.C. – The Cariboo Regional District, Xat'sull - Cmetem First Nations, Williams Lake Indian Band, and Esdilagh First Nation have lifted evacuation alerts for many communities on the east side of the Fraser River. These communities are now open for regular business, vulnerable populations can return to the community and economic activity can fully resume now that the alerts have been lifted.

Evacuation alerts are lifted for the following areas:

- Some CRD areas east of the Fraser River;
- WLIB areas including: Williams Lake 1 (Sugar Cane), Carpenter Mountain 15, Tillion 4, Chimney Creek 5, San Jose 6, Asahal Lake 2 and Five Mile 3;
- Xat'sull – Cmetem areas including: Soda Creek IR #1 and IR #2 (Deep Creek); and
- Esdilagh areas including: Alexandria 1, Alexandria 1A, Hay Ranch 2 and Alexandria 12.

See an overview map at <http://bit.ly/2x0wHmP>. Some areas east and west of the Fraser River remain on evacuation order or alert. View a searchable online map for current alerts or order at cariboord.ca.

An evacuation alert or order may need to be re-issued as wildfire activity continues in the area, air quality remains poor and additional areas within the CRD remain on evacuation alert or order.

Since areas in the CRD remain on evacuation alert or order, residents must be prepared in the event that the area receives a future evacuation order on short notice. Local governments may not have time to go door-to-door should a new evacuation order be issued.

To ensure public safety, stay out of fire affected areas and obey all warning and hazard signs. Interfering in an active fire area will result in crews ceasing ground and air operations potentially endangering nearby properties.

For Cariboo Regional District information, please visit cariboord.ca or [facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations](https://www.facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations) or [@CaribooRD](https://www.instagram.com/CaribooRD) or call the CRD's public information line at 1-866-759-4977.

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