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North Green Lake Residents can return home and remain on Alert

Williams Lake, B.C. – The Cariboo Regional District announced today that the North Green Lake Area Order has been downgraded to an Alert, and residents can now return home. The alert in the South of Highway 24 area is being expanded. The new Alert area includes:

East of Highway 97 to the Cariboo Regional District boundary and South of Highway 24 to the Cariboo Regional District Boundary.

See attached map: <http://bit.ly/2vQpRlh>

Before deciding to return, residents are encouraged to consider that wildfire activity continues in these areas, air quality remains poor and the areas are still on evacuation alert.

Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to evacuation; however you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

What you should do when an evacuation order has been downgraded to an alert:

Upon notification of an evacuation order downgrade, you should remain prepared for an evacuation by:

- Having a plan to transport all family members or co-workers outside of the area, should the area be brought back under evacuation order.
- Keeping essential items readily available for a quick departure; including medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), immediate care needs for dependants and, if you choose, keepsakes (photographs, etc).
- Ensuring that any dependants are prepared for departure.
- Ensuring that pets and livestock remain in a safe area.
- Ensuring that you have accommodation options for your family, if possible. Reception Centres will be made available again, if required.
- Monitoring reliable news sources for evacuation order information. Further information will be issued as it becomes available.

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

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