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For Immediate Release

Evacuation order issued area south of Highway 24

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately, the Cariboo Regional District has issued an evacuation order for an area south of Highway 24, including the areas of Watch Lake, Little Horse Lake, Little Green Lake and the western side of Sheridan Lake. Adjacent areas south of Highway 24 remain on evacuation alert and the alert has now expanded to include some areas north of Highway 24.

Due to immediate danger to life safety, members of the RCMP or other groups will be expediting the evacuation order. The evacuation route is: Highway 24 to 100 Mile House

View a map of the order areas here: <http://bit.ly/2wp3kuk>

View a map of the alert areas here: <http://bit.ly/2wp3rq1>

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- You must leave the area immediately.
- 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.
- Register with Emergency Support Services (ESS) in 100 Mile House at the South Cariboo Recreation Centre at 175 Wrangler Way.

YOU MUST LEAVE THE AREA IMMEDIATELY.

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 (8:30am – 4:30pm daily).

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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>