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For Immediate Release

Evacuation order expanded for areas along the Highway 24 Corridor

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately and pursuant to the BC Emergency Program Act, the Cariboo Regional District has expanded an evacuation order for the Highway 24 Corridor. This order replaces the South of Highway 24 Area order issued Wednesday August 30, 2017 at 1:00 pm.

Due to immediate danger to life safety, members of the RCMP or other groups will be expediting this action.

The evacuation route is: Horse Lake Road and Highway 24 to Highway 97

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

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 (175 Wrangler Way)
- If you require group lodging, please continue on to Williams Lake. Group lodging will be available at the Gibraltar Room in the Cariboo Memorial Complex. (525 Proctor Street)
- RVs and Camper units are welcome at 100 Mile House

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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 (Phone lines will be open until 9 pm Friday evening). Please note that our phones lines will be open 10:00am-2:00pm for the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the Labour Day Long weekend.

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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>