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For Immediate Release

Evacuation order issued for Lang Lake/Murphy Lake Area

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately, the Cariboo Regional District has issued an evacuation order for 66 properties in the Lang Lake/Murphy Lake area. A small portion of the Hawkins Lake and Eagle Creek area evacuation alert, issued on August 10 at 12:30 p.m., is now included in this order.

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

Due to immediate danger, members of the RCMP or Search and Rescue will be expediting this action. The evacuation route is: Murphy Lake to 500 Road to Bradley Creek Road to Wilcox Road to Forest Grove to 100 Mile House for Emergency Support Services (ESS).

Register with Emergency Support Services (ESS) at Peter Skeene Ogden (200 7th St) in 100 Mile House. Please note, if you have a primary residence outside of the evacuation order, you will not be eligible for Emergency Support Services (ESS).

Use the CRD's online interactive map to see all the areas on evacuation alert or order and the wildfires in the area: <https://bit.ly/2tcpS1e> (there may be a delay before the map is updated)

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- You must leave the area immediately.
- Close all windows and doors.
- Do not shut off your natural gas if you receive an evacuation order. For more information visit www.fortisbc.com.
- 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) at Peter Skeene Ogden (200 7th St) in 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 as well as the CRD website at cariboord.ca/emergency. For more information contact the CRD's public information line at 1-866-759-4977 (8:00am – 10:00 pm daily).

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

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