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## Orders downgraded and alerts lifted near Chutanli Lake, Baezaeko and Nazko

*Williams Lake, B.C.* – The Cariboo Regional District announced changes to evacuation alerts and orders in the Chutanli Lake, Baezaeko, Blackwater, Batnuni Road and Nazko areas today.

The evacuation orders for the Chutanli Lake (45 properties) and Baezaeko/Blackwater areas (322 properties) have been downgraded to evacuation alerts, meaning residents can return home. The evacuation alerts in the Nazko area (99 properties) and north of Batnuni Road (346 properties) have been lifted to all clear.

See an overview map of the changes at <https://bit.ly/2NRRhxH>.

Use the CRD's online interactive map to search whether your address is on an evacuation alert or all clear: <https://bit.ly/2r9P2MQ> (there may be a delay before the map is updated)

Since areas remain on evacuation alert, residents must be prepared in case the area receives a future evacuation order on short notice. Information about what to do when on evacuation alert is listed below. Evacuation orders and alerts in the Shag Creek, Dean River, Tweedsmuir Park, Whitton Lake and Klinaklini Lake areas remain unchanged.

For rural properties that have been impacted by wildfire, residents should be aware there may be danger trees in wildfire affected areas. Home owners and private land owners are recommended to work with an insurance agency to have an assessment done by a qualified arborist on their private property.

Wildfires remain active and firefighting activities continue in some areas. It is important for residents to stay out of active wildfire areas. Interfering in an active fire area will result in crews ceasing ground and air operations potentially endangering nearby properties.

Residents returning to the area 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](https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085612292#/signup)

### Remaining on Evacuation Alert

Since the area remains on evacuation alert, residents should remain prepared for an evacuation by:

- Having a plan to transport all family members or co-workers outside 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 dependents and, if you choose, keepsakes (photographs, etc).
- Ensuring that any dependents 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. A Reception Centre 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/EOC](http://cariboord.ca/EOC) or [facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations](https://facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations) or [@CaribooRD](https://twitter.com/CaribooRD) or call the CRD's main office at 250-392-3351 or 1-800-665-1636.

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