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Evacuation alert issued for properties in the Shag Creek area

Williams Lake, B.C. – An Evacuation Alert has been issued by the Cariboo Regional District's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) for properties in the Shag Creek area.

See a map of the affected areas: <https://bit.ly/2LZmXV5>

An Evacuation Alert has been issued to prepare residents to evacuate their premises or property should it be required. Residents will be given as much notice as possible prior to evacuation but may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

The Cariboo Regional District's Emergency Operations Centre is working with the Cariboo Fire Centre to monitor the wildfire situation throughout the region. Currently there are no other wildfires threatening properties in the Cariboo Regional District. The EOC is prepared to respond should the situation change.

Further information will be issued as it becomes available. Please visit the CRD Emergency Operations Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations as well as the CRD website at www.cariboord.ca/emergency. For more information, contact the CRD's public information line at 1-866-759-4977 (8:00am – 4:30 pm daily).

The BC Wildfire Service will provide wildfire updates at www.bcwildfire.ca, [facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo](https://www.facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo) and www.twitter.com/BCGovFireInfo.

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>

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO WHEN AN ALERT IS IN EFFECT

Upon notification of an **ALERT**, you should be prepared for an evacuation order by:

- Having a plan to transport all family members or co-workers outside of the area, should the area be brought under evacuation order.

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- 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.
- Moving pets and livestock to a safe area.
- Ensuring that you have accommodation options for your family, if possible. A Reception Centre will be made available if required.
- Monitoring reliable news sources for information on evacuation orders and locations of Reception Centres and the CRD's channels on Facebook and cariboord.ca.

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