

NEWS RELEASE

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Evacuation alert lifted for one property on Forglen Road in McLeeseLake area

Williams Lake, B.C. – Effective immediately, the Evacuation Alert issued on Friday, May 1, 2020 at 4:00 pm for one property on Forglen Road has been lifted.

See a map of the affected areas: https://bit.ly/3602ohR

Residents returning home, are encouraged to consider that there is still high water and flooding in the area and to use caution. An evacuation alert or order may need to be reissued due to flooding activity and residents must remain prepared:

- Have a plan to transport all family members or co-workers outside the area (while practicing physical distancing if possible), should the area be brought back under evacuation order.
- Prepare personal emergency supply kits for your home, car and work (plan for at least a three-day supply
 of food and water for each family member)
- Have a grab-and-go kit ready if you have to leave your home quickly
- Keep important papers in watertight containers and have a record of your valuables in a safe place
- If flooding is likely in your area, pay attention to the local media for information
- Watch for warning signs: increase in height and intensity of water flows, mudslides, debris in creeks, colour changes in water or leaning trees
- Know that banks of rivers and streams may be unstable and dangerous
- Keep a safe distance away from fast flowing water, especially children
- Teach your children about flood safety
- Consider arrangements for your pets and any livestock prior to an alert being issued.

Contact the CRD's EOC if you have concerns about flooding in your area or need sand or sandbags. It is the homeowner's responsibility to undertake temporary and permanent flood protection works to protect their home and property.

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

For Cariboo Regional District information, please visit <u>cariboord.ca</u> or <u>facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations</u> or <u>@CaribooRD</u> or call the CRD's emergency information line at 1-866-759-4977 (8:30am – 4:30pm daily).

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