

## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 6, 2023	Time Prepared:	1821
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	001	Start Date&Time:	1630
		End Date&Time:	2000

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Activate EOC

Related Tasks	Set up sections	Responsible	All
	Hunt and gather dinner for EOC team		ESS

### 2. Open reception center

Related Tasks	Activate ESS Team	Responsible	Liaison
	Prepare Echo Center		ESS
	Organize snacks for reception center and dinner for ESS team members		ESS

### 3. Public communication regarding road closure and reception center

Related Tasks	Media release/social media posts	Responsible	Information
	Voyent alert		Deputy Dir.
	Touch base with community agencies		Liaison

### 4. Alternative routes

Related Tasks	Begin communications regarding alternatives if closed longer term	Responsible	Liaison

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by:	Planning Chief <i>Teri Fong</i>	Approved by:	Director	Date/Time Approved
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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD		
Date Prepared:	June 6, 2023	Time Prepared:	2251	Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	003	Start Date&Time:	June 6, 2023 2245	End Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 0700

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Group lodging

Related Tasks	Overnight supervision	Responsible	ESS
	Breakfast for 125 people for 0730		Liaison
	Short bedding - find any additional		Logistics

### 2. Public communication

Related Tasks	Reception center to reopen at 0730	Responsible	Information

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Identify staff for June 7, 2023 EOC	Responsible	Director
	Setup team call for 0700		Deputy Dir.

### 4.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by: Planning Chief *Teri Fong* Approved by: Director *Daniel Sailland* Date/Time Approved: June 6, 2023 11:04pm

Distribution: Mgmt Team ☐ Planning ☐ EOCD ☐ EOC Personnel ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_



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Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 7, 2023	Time Prepared:	1603
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	006	Start Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 1600
		End Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 0830

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Social media post - reception center is closed	Responsible	Information
	Website update - Arrowsmith park closure		Information
	Recycling update - disruption of service		Information

### 2. Group lodging / reception center

Related Tasks	Clean laundry to be returned to storage	Responsible	Logistics

### 3. Tomorrow morning EOC discussion

Related Tasks	SPCA - animal concerns to be investigated	Responsible	
	Stranded people who are scared to drive		
	Air Quality		

### 4.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

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## Situation Report – Part 1: Summary

Jurisdiction/ Agency:	Regional District of Nanaimo	City, Province:	Nanaimo, BC
Date of Report:	June 7, 2023	Time of Report:	17:10
Report Number:	001	Final Report:	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Primary Contact Information

Name:	Brayden Osborn	Function/Title:	Liasion Officer
Phone:	s. 16	Satellite/Other Phone:	
Email:	bosborn@rdn.bc.ca	Frequency/Call Sign:	

### Site-Support Facility

EOC/ECC Activated:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Activation Level: Level 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 3 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hours of Operation:	09:00-18:00
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### General Incident/Event Information

Event Name:	Cameron Bluffs Wildfire	Task No.:	23-3880
Overall Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Major Assistance Required <input type="checkbox"/> Assistance Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Under Control <input type="checkbox"/> Resolved <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Closed	Incident Prognosis:	<input type="checkbox"/> Worsening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Improving <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
		Overall Severity:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

### Initial Situation Summary *(What has happened and/or changed since the last Situation Report? **Bold** new information.)*

BCWS has responded to the wildfire V70600.

MoTI has shut down Highway 4 and a detour is in effect.

The RDN is at a Level 1 EOC to manage communications and effectively plan and respond to changing circumstance and the incident evolves.

The RDN is not activating ESS or and RC at this time and is in close communication with RCMP, the ACRD, Qualicum, Parksville, and neighbouring fire departments.

Current Objectives/ Priorities:	Supporting leading agency messaging and clear communication to public and residents to reduce confusion and panic with the road closure and evolving wildfire situation. Keep elected officials, staff, residents and regional partners informed as information becomes available.
Future Objectives/ Priorities:	Preplanning for trigger points and actions to be taken as the incident evolves. Keep elected officials, staff, residents and regional partners informed as information becomes available.
Concerns/ Problems:	Unpredictable wildfire behavior, ongoing and potentially long term closure of Highway 4, and combating misinformation in the public realm.

Prepared by:	Name Brayden Osborn	Function/Title Liasion Officer	Date & Time June 7, 2023 18:30
Approved by:	Planning Chief Lisa Grant	EOC Director Lisa Grant	Date & Time June 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 18:43
Distribution:	Planning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EOC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other:	EOC Information Officer

## Situation Report – Part 2: Details (Local Authority)

Jurisdiction/  
Agency:

City,  
Province:

Date of Report:

Time of Report:

Report Number:

### Site-Support Activities

Declaration  
Issued:

Yes ☐ No ☐

Effective  
Date:

Anticipated  
Cancellation Date:

#### Protective Measures in EFFECT:

Shelter-in-  
Place:

Yes ☐ No ☐

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Impacted:

Evacuation  
ALERTs:

Yes ☐ No ☐

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Alerted:

Evacuation  
ORDERS:

Yes ☐ No ☐

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Evacuated:

#### Reception Centre(s)/Group Lodging Facilities ACTIVATED:

Yes ☐ No ☐

#	Facility Name	Address	Capacity	Total Registered	Comments (Hours of Operations)
1					
2					
3					

#### Disaster Response Routes ACTIVATED:

Yes ☐ No ☐

Details/Routes  
Activated:

### Major Impacts

People

Impacts:

☐ None

Confirmed

Unconfirmed

(In addition to confirmed)

Details/  
Comments:

Under Alert

Evacuated

Homeless

Injured

Fatalities

Missing

Livestock/  
Animal

Impacts:

☐ None

Animal Type

Under Alert

Evacuated

Homeless

Injured

Fatalities

Disposed

Details/  
Comments:

#### Transportation Impacts:

☐ None

Roads/Highways

Bridges/Tunnels

Railways

Waterways

Public Transit

Area(s)/Location(s) of Impact

Nature of Impact (closure, shutdown,  
blockage, reduced service...)

Details/Comments: (length of  
closure, anticipated opening...)

**Utility Impacts:**

		Water	Sewer	Electricity	Gas	Telephone	Cellular
<input type="checkbox"/> None	# Without Service						
	% of Community Without Service						
	Details/Comments:						

**Structure Impacts:**

	% Minor Damage	% Moderate Damage (Limited Use)	% Severe Damage (Unusable)	Details/Comments:
<input type="checkbox"/> None				
Residential				
Commercial				
Industrial				
Institutional				

**Rapid Damage Assessment CONDUCTED:**

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Not Planned <input type="checkbox"/>	To be Implemented <input type="checkbox"/>	
# of Buildings Inspected/Tagged	Red (Unsafe) <input type="checkbox"/>	Yellow (Restricted Use) <input type="checkbox"/>	Green (Inspected) <input type="checkbox"/>
			Details/Comments: <input type="text"/>

**Resource Information**

Surplus/Available	Resource Type/Name	Location	Details/Comments
Resources:			
<input type="checkbox"/> None			

**Critical Resources DESIGNATED:**

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of Critical Resource(s)/Details:	<input type="text"/>	

**Public Information and Media Issues**

<input type="text"/>
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**Other Comments**

<input type="text"/>
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Attachments:	<input type="text"/>
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Distribution:	<input type="text"/>
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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 9, 2023	Time Prepared:	1630
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	012	Start Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 1600
		End Date&Time:	June 10, 2023 0830

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Video message from EOC spokesperson.	Responsible	Information
	Coordinated press release with west coast communities to go out by end of day		Heather Z

### 2. Fuel Supply

Related Tasks	Logistics can source fuel supply but gas stations appear unwilling to buy. Raise concerns with EMCR	Responsible	Liaison

### 3. Pharmaceutical Delivery

Related Tasks	Coordinate conversation with HEMBC, Ministry of Health and local pharmacies	Responsible	Planning

### 4. EOC

Related Tasks	Call in resources as needed. Contact list for EOC personnel emailed to group	Responsible	EOC Director

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by:	Planning Chief <i>Alex Dyer</i>	Approved by:	Director <i>Daniel Sailland</i>	Date/Time Approved June 9/23 1700
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Distribution: Mgmt Team ☐ Planning ☐ EOCD ☐ EOC Personnel ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 8, 2023	Time Prepared:	900
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	007	Start Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 0830
		End Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 1130

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	a. Share Environment Canada air quality advisory information. BC June 7 Smoky Skies bulletin covers inland Vancouver Island.	Responsible	Information
	b. Draft messaging to speak to panic buying		Information
	c. Draft messaging about one detour route, reiterate current route with travel tips. Use RDN press release as an example.		Information
	d. Around the Region message for next week: thank volunteers, information about detour and emergency preparedness, fire bans.		
	e. Share fire ban information on social media.		

### 2. Transportation, Supply Chain

Related Tasks	Ask EMCR and Parksville EOC about coordinating ride share	Responsible	Liaison
	Reach out to gas stations and supermarkets about supply chain disruption. Communication with Chamber of Commerce		Liaison/ Logistics

### 3. Road Alternatives

Related Tasks	Reach out to MOTI about alternative route messaging.	Responsible	Liaison
	Depending on answer from MOTI, flag concerns with Josie Osborne and Gord Johns		EOC Director

### 4. ESS/Reception Centre Demob

Related Tasks	Inventory list, storage, returning borrowed items.	Responsible	Logistics
	Completing ESS paperwork		ESS

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

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Planning Chief <i>Alex Dyer</i>
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 Approved by: 

Director <i>Daniel Sailland</i>
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Date/Time Approved June 8/23 1000
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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 8, 2023	Time Prepared:	1700
Task No.:	23-3861		
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	009	Start Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 1600
		End Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 830

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Share MOTI information about Friday 1-9pm detour road closure	Responsible	Information
	Compile and share flight and bus options with the public		Planning/ Information
	a. Around the Region messaging Friday: thank volunteers, information about detour and emergency preparedness, fire bans		Information

### 2. Fuel Supply

Related Tasks	Follow up with Mike Carter (PAPA) and Joe Spears (San Group) on fuel barge: time, cost, coordination	Responsible	Logistics
	Engage with fuel suppliers, gas stations		Logistics
	Follow up on fuel status in CPA works yard and fire department.		Andrew

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Prepare staffing schedule. Discuss at next EOC Check In	Responsible	Daniel/ Andrew/ Heather Z

### 4. Waste Advanced Planning

Related Tasks	Follow up on options for Bamfield garbage and two-week scenario planning for garbage/recycling.	Responsible	Planning

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by: 

Planning Chief <i>Alex Dyer</i>
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 Approved by: 

Director <i>Daniel Sailland</i>
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Date/Time Approved June 8/23 1900
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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 9, 2023	Time Prepared:	0930
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	010	Start Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 0830
		End Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 1200

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Compile and share flight information with the public	Responsible	Information/ Planning
	Send detour closure information via Voyent Alert		Information
			Information

### 2. Fuel Supply

Related Tasks	Reach out to ENEX about adding emergency services access to card-lock	Responsible	Andrew
	Follow up with Mike Carter (PAPA) and Joe Spears (San Group) on fuel barge: time, cost, coordination		Logistics
	Follow up with EMCR on resource request to help with fuel supply		Liaison

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Weekend schedule established. Compiling on-call numbers and call forwarding to be organized.	Responsible	Heather Z

### 4.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by:

Planning Chief  
*Alex Dyer*

Approved by:

Director  
*Daniel Sailland*

Date/Time Approved  
June 9/23 0945

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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 7, 2023	Time Prepared:	0700
Task No.:	23-3861		
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	004	Start Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 0700
End Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 1200		

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Group lodging

Related Tasks	Extra food needed at Echo	Responsible	Kathy/ESS
	Laundry needs for demob, demob for cots.		Logistics
	Staff for ESS (Nathan (CPA), 2 maintenance staff (CPA),		Logistics

### 2. Public communication

Related Tasks	MOTI working on detour route.	Responsible	Information

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 4.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by: Deputy Director *Heather Jenner*      Approved by: Director *Daniel Sailland*      Date/Time Approved: June 7, 2023 0727

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## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 7, 2023	Time Prepared:	1200
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	005	Start Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 1230
		End Date&Time:	June 7, 2023 1600

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Social media & Voyent alert - Alternative Route for essential travel and highway closed for many days	Responsible	Information
	Notify essential commercial providers of route		ESS/Liaison
	Print maps for distribution at reception center		Deputy Dir.

### 2. Group lodging / reception center

Related Tasks	Demobilize	Responsible	ESS
	Close reception center		ESS
	Sanitize the bedding		Logistics

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Request EOC stay open until fire under control	Responsible	Liaison
	Spokesperson selection		Director

### 4.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by:

Planning Chief

*Teri Fong*

Approved by:

Director

*Daniel Sailland*

Date/Time Approved

June 7, 2023 at 1450

Distribution: Mgmt Team ☐ Planning ☐ EOCD ☐ EOC Personnel ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 8, 2023	Time Prepared:	1230
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	008	Start Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 1145
		End Date&Time:	June 8, 2023 400

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	a. Around the Region messaging due tomorrow: thank volunteers, information about detour and emergency preparedness, fire bans	Responsible	Information
	b. Social media post on fire ban		Information
	c. Connect with Kate Love (CPA communications)		Information

### 2. Transportation, Supply Chain, Medical

Related Tasks	Reach out to EMCR rep to discuss fuel supply concerns, options for fuel barge, agriculture supplies and deliveries. Begin planning logistics for barge	Responsible	Liaison/ Logistics
	Discuss flight options with Mark Fortune. Iskew Air, Pacific Seaplanes and others. Ask EMCR about funding for flights		Planning/ Liaison
	Reach out to Health Emergency Management BC regarding coordinating hospital staff and Pharmacare & Lab supplies/deliveries		Liaison

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Weekend staffing for Level 1 EOC and admin reception desk	Responsible	Daniel/ Andrew/ Heather Z

### 4. Advanced Planning

Related Tasks	Connect with Jenny/Paulo on two-week scenario for Hwy 4 closure re: recycling and other services.	Responsible	Planning

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	



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	<i>Alex Dyer</i>			
Distribution: Mgmt Team <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> EOCD <input type="checkbox"/> EOC Personnel <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____				

## Action Plan

Incident/ Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Jurisdiction/ Agency:	ACRD
Date Prepared:	June 9, 2023	Time Prepared:	1245
Task No.:		Task No.:	23-3861
Prepared for Operational Period No.:	011	Start Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 1200
		End Date&Time:	June 9, 2023 0400

**Objectives/Priorities:** What high-level activities are necessary to complete during this next operational period?

### 1. Public communication

Related Tasks	Share flight information with the public: website, social media	Responsible	Information/ Planning
	Develop key messages on fuel supply for EOC spokesperson		Information/ Logistics
	Coordinate non-essential travel messaging with west coast communities		Heather Z

### 2. Fuel Supply

Related Tasks	Coordinate call with HEMBC and emergency personnel to discuss fuel prioritization	Responsible	Liaison
	Coordinate off-shore fuel delivery barge, once quote received		Logistics
	Set up daily updates with providers on fuel consumption and needs		Logistics

### 3. EOC

Related Tasks	Assemble additional EOC support on internal communications.	Responsible	Heather Z

### 4. Pharmaceutical Delivery

Related Tasks	Coordinate with HEMBC and communicate with local pharmacies	Responsible	Planning

### 5.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

### 6.

Related Tasks		Responsible	

Recommended by:	Planning Chief <i>Alex Dyer</i>	Approved by:	Director <i>Daniel Sailland</i>	Date/Time Approved June 9/23 1430
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Distribution: Mgmt Team ☐ Planning ☐ EOCD ☐ EOC Personnel ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Situation Report – Part 1: Summary

Jurisdiction/ Agency:	Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District	City, Province:	Port Alberni
Date of Report:	June 20, 2023	Time of Report:	11:00
Report Number:	007	Final Report:	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Primary Contact Information

Name:	Daniel Sailland	Function/Title:	EOC Director
Phone:	250.720.7051	Satellite/Other Phone:	
Email:	dsailand@acrd.bc.ca	Frequency/Call Sign:	

### Site-Support Facility

EOC/ECC Activated:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Activation Level: Level 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 3 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hours of Operation:	0745 - 1630
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### General Incident/Event Information

Event Name:	Cameron Bluff Fire	Task No.:	23-3861
Overall Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Major Assistance Required <input type="checkbox"/> Assistance Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Under Control <input type="checkbox"/> Resolved <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Closed	Incident Prognosis:	<input type="checkbox"/> Worsening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Improving <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
		Overall Severity:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

### Initial Situation Summary *(What has happened and/or changed since the last Situation Report? **Bold** new information.)*

Wildfire south of Highway 4 at Cameron Lake is currently 226 hectares in size and the status is categorized as under control.

Highway 4 is closed between Port Alberni and Qualicum. Detour in place. MOTI has developed a phased plan for Hwy 4 opening and traffic management with tentative timelines. Current estimate for re-opening to single lane alternating is June 24/25.

Detour convoys are in place to support commercial vehicles carrying essential goods and services.

Current Objectives/ Priorities:	Communicate with public regarding Highway 4 closure and detour. Respond to public concerns as they arise. Continue monitoring essential supplies, including fuel and pharma supplies. Redirect requests to the MLA and MP office to support residents and businesses, including those who require one-way transportation to return to their home community.		
Future Objectives/ Priorities:	Monitoring Hwy 4 and detour road conditions over the long-term.		
Concerns/ Problems:	Concern about condition of the detour road and safety for travelers due to multiple accidents since the detour was designated. Disruption of business continuity and employment within the region - workers unable to travel to work, tourism impacted, delivery of goods and supplies. Solid waste operations impacted - garbage, recycling, organics. No public transit available between Port Alberni and Nanaimo.		
Prepared	Name	Function/Title	Date & Time

by:	Karen Freethy	Daniel Sailland	June 20, 2023 - 11:00
Approved by:	Planning Chief <i>Karen Freethy</i>	EOC Director <i>Daniel Sailland</i>	Date & Time
Distribution:	Planning <input type="checkbox"/>	EOCD <input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

## Situation Report – Part 2: Details (Local Authority)

Jurisdiction/  
Agency: Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

City, Province: Port Alberni

Date of Report: June 16, 2023

Time of Report: 17:00

Report Number: 006

### Site-Support Activities

Declaration  
Issued:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Effective  
Date:

Anticipated  
Cancellation Date:

#### Protective Measures in EFFECT:

Shelter-in-  
Place:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Impacted:

Evacuation  
ALERTs:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Alerted:

Evacuation  
ORDERS:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Coverage  
Area(s):

# Persons  
Evacuated:

#### Reception Centre(s)/Group Lodging Facilities ACTIVATED:

Yes ☐ No ☒

#	Facility Name	Address	Capacity	Total Registered	Comments (Hours of Operations)
1					
2					
3					

#### Disaster Response Routes ACTIVATED:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Details/Routes  
Activated:

MOTI has designated a gravel detour route from Lake Cowichan to Port Alberni via Bamfield Road and Youbou. MOTI estimates highway to be closed until at least June 24/25.  
Horne Lake Connector (Mosaic-owned) available for emergency vehicles and supplies only.  
A temporary repeater has been established at Worthless Ridge above Nitinat linked to the Bald Mountain Repeater at Lake Cowichan as long as the Hwy 4 detour route is active to support emergency services.  
Telus is adding a mobile cell tower at the Nitinat turn off with 1 KM coverage.

### Major Impacts

People  
Impacts:  
☐ None

	Under Alert	Evacuated	Homeless	Injured	Fatalities	Missing
Confirmed						
Unconfirmed (In addition to confirmed)						
Details/ Comments:						

Livestock/  
Animal  
Impacts:  
☒ None

Animal Type	Under Alert	Evacuated	Homeless	Injured	Fatalities	Disposed
Details/ Comments:						

Transportation Impacts:  
☐ None

Area(s)/Location(s) of Impact

Nature of Impact (closure, shutdown,  
blockage, reduced service...)

Details/Comments: (length of  
closure, anticipated opening...)

Roads/Highways

Highway 4 between Port Alberni  
and Qualicum

Closure

Phased reopening planned for  
Hwy 4 and detour in place

Bridges/Tunnels  
Railways  
Waterways  
Public Transit


Utility Impacts:

☐ None # Without Service  
% of Community  
Without Service

Water Sewer Electricity Gas Telephone Cellular


Details/  
Comments:

Solid waste services impacted: garbage, recycling, organics

Structure Impacts:

☒ None

% Minor  
Damage

% Moderate  
Damage  
(Limited Use)

% Severe  
Damage  
(Unusable)

Details/Comments:

Residential

Commercial

Industrial

Institutional


Rapid Damage Assessment CONDUCTED:

Yes ☐ Not Planned ☒ To be Implemented ☐

# of Buildings  
Inspected/Tagged

Red  
(Unsafe)

Yellow  
(Restricted  
Use)

Green  
(Inspected)

Details/  
Comments:

Resource Information

Surplus/  
Available

Resource  
Type/Name

Location

Details/Comments

Resources:

☒ None

EOC	Port Alberni	EOC activated at a level 1 and staffed as required daily.

Critical Resources DESIGNATED:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Name of Critical  
Resource(s)/Details:

Public Information and Media Issues

ACRD maintaining Cameron Bluff wildfire website and social media presence for updates.

Other Comments

Reception Centre and Group Lodging demobilized 20230607

No situation reports will be submitted Saturday, June 17 and Sunday, June 18 due to staff fatigue.

Attachments:

Distribution:

**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX(BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX (BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Heads Up Note (Cameron Bluffs - V70600 - Coastal Fire Centre)  
**Sent:** 06/05/2023 20:41:34

A wildfire burning west of Highway 4 near Cameron Lake has grown to an estimated 20 hectares due to strong overnight winds. The fire is suspected to be human-caused. BCWS initial attack crews are currently working on this incident and are supported with helicopters and additional resources. Crews were on site overnight and are reporting Rank 2 fire activity due to steep slopes and windy conditions. Options for air tanker support are being evaluated in coordination with the Little Qualicum Community Watershed staff. There is no impact to traffic on Highway 4 at this time, although fire operations are ongoing in the area. No structures are currently threatened.



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**To:**  
**Subject:** Notes for Cameron Bluffs Wildfire V70600 Coord Call #1  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 00:48:28

Hey All,

Coord call #2 being scheduled for tomorrow. Same bat time, same bat channel. (1530-1550)

Notes –

Started Late Friday night - Overnighted crews for fire suppression. VERY strong winds in the Cameron Lake area.

Since then they've increased overhead fire suppression (Air Tankers/Helicopters/fixed wing retardant/skimers etc)

Complex topography. Steep and deep with lots of old growth that hasn't seen fire for some time (Dangerous for on foot personnel)

Fighting the fire as a full response fire, intention to continuing this approach.

HWY 4 and Watershed are primary concerns and the largest threats at this time.

**As of 15 min ago (15:20 – 2023-06-06) HWY 4 is now closed to Rolling Debris.**

BCWS Incident Management Team (IMT) arriving over next couple of days to assist region in managing this event.

Although it's a big and fast-moving fire it's still coastal growth/less volatile than central/northern areas.

Not recommending any alerts or orders currently.

Weather updates: There is a large outflow event for the mainland, they have a bit of a break re coastal influence. Good burning conditions and dry days. Looking at possible tropical feed with potential of moisture.

This will likely be a longer and active fire.

**Currently 2 EOCs active at level 1** (RD Nanaimo + Alberni-Clayoquot RD)

**1 Reception Centre** for Stranded Travelers trying to return home that it would create a financial hardship to set up for the evening (Group Lodging is being offered, coffee, biscuits.)

Stutwiniitscw (Thank you)

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**David Schadt** | Regional Manager

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**Subject:** Heads Up Note - update: Cameron Bluffs (V70600) - Coastal Fire Centre  
**Sent:** 06/06/2023 19:48:28

A wildfire burning west of Highway 4 near Cameron Lake (V70600) has grown to an estimated 109 hectares. The fire is suspected to be human-caused. BCWS crews are currently working on this incident and three helicopters are bucketing inaccessible areas. Air tankers and skimmers have been assigned. No structures are currently threatened. This fire is in a visible, high-traffic area. Highway 4 is currently alternating, single lane traffic. For driving information, visit [www.drivebc.ca](http://www.drivebc.ca). A travel advisory for Highway 4 is expected today.



#### Coastal Fire Centre Information Section

Coastal Fire Centre | BC Wildfire Service

Ministry of Forests

Phone: 250 951-4209

**Report Wildfires: 1 800 663-5555 or \*5555**



*Acknowledging the traditional unceded territory of the K'omoks First Nation ,  
[Snaw'Naw'As First Nation](#) (Nanoose) and Qualicum First Nation the traditional  
keepers of this land.*

## UPDATE DETAILS

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Update #

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Originally Logged

06/06/2023 11:15:00

Report Compiled By

David Schadt

Position

VIC Director (EMCR)

Date/Time Logged

06/11/2023 16:55:05

Caller Name

Andrew McGifford

Caller Agency

ACRD

Primary Contact

- 250-720-2821

Alt Contact

Email - andrew\_mcgifford@portalberni.ca

Alt Contact

Email - kfreethy@acrd.bc.ca

Details

Sitrep #1 received and attached.

Severity

High

Prognosis

Improving

ASE #

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Update # 9	Originally Logged 06/06/2023 11:15:00	
Report Compiled By John Kervel	Position VIC Director (EMCR)	Date/Time Logged 06/13/2023 17:23:59
Caller Name Alex Dyer	Caller Agency ACRD	
Primary Contact - 2507202700	Alt Contact -	Alt Contact -

Details  
ACRD - Sitrep 002 June 12, 2023

Severity High	Prognosis Stable
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Update # 10	Originally Logged 06/06/2023 11:15:00	
Report Compiled By John Kervel	Position VIC Director (EMCR)	Date/Time Logged 06/13/2023 17:38:35
Caller Name Alex Dyer	Caller Agency ACRD	
Primary Contact -	Alt Contact -	Alt Contact -

Details  
Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District EOC – Task 23-3861 Cameron Bluffs Wildfire

Attached: Action Plan from Operational Period 017 and Situation Report 003 from June 13, 2023.

Severity High	Prognosis Stable
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Update #

12

Originally Logged

06/06/2023 11:15:00

Report Compiled By

John Kervel

Position

VIC Director (EMCR)

Date/Time Logged

06/15/2023 08:59:11

Caller Name

Alex Dyer

Caller Agency

ACRD

Primary Contact

- 2507202708

Alt Contact

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Alt Contact

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## Details

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District EOC – Task 23-3861 Cameron Bluffs Wildfire

Attached: Situation Report 004 from June 14, 2023

Severity

Moderate

Prognosis

Stable

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Update # 13	Originally Logged 06/06/2023 11:15:00	
Report Compiled By John Kervel	Position VIC Director (EMCR)	Date/Time Logged 06/15/2023 13:31:12
Caller Name Alex Dyer	Caller Agency ACRD	
Primary Contact - 2507202708	Alt Contact -	Alt Contact -

## Details

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District EOC – Task 23-3861 Cameron Bluffs Wildfire

Attached: Action Plans from Operational Periods 018 and 019.

Severity Moderate	Prognosis Stable
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Update # 14	Originally Logged 06/06/2023 11:15:00	
Report Compiled By John Kervel	Position VIC Director (EMCR)	Date/Time Logged 06/16/2023 14:04:15
Caller Name Randy Thoen	Caller Agency ACRD	
Primary Contact - 2507209327	Alt Contact -	Alt Contact -

## Details

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District EOC – Task 23-3861 Cameron Bluffs Wildfire

Attached: Action Plans from Operational Periods 020.

Severity Moderate	Prognosis Stable
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Update #

15

Originally Logged

06/06/2023 11:15:00

Report Compiled By

John Kervel

Position

VIC Director (EMCR)

Date/Time Logged

06/16/2023 14:06:07

Caller Name

Kathy McArthur

Caller Agency

ACRD

Primary Contact

- 2507202709

Alt Contact

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Alt Contact

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## Details

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District EOC – Task 23-3861 Cameron Bluffs Wildfire

Attached: Situation Report 005 from June 15, 2023.

Severity

Moderate

Prognosis

Stable

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Update # 16	Originally Logged 06/06/2023 11:15:00	
Report Compiled By David Schadt	Position VIC Director (EMCR)	Date/Time Logged 08/03/2023 15:12:53
Caller Name Karen Freethy	Caller Agency ACRD	
Primary Contact - 250-206-1645	Alt Contact Email - kfreethy@acrd.bc.ca	Alt Contact -

## Details

AAR EAF Request received - see attached.

Severity  
ModeratePrognosis  
Stable

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17Originally Logged  
06/06/2023 11:15:00Report Compiled By  
David SchadtPosition  
VIC Director (EMCR)Date/Time Logged  
09/28/2023 12:11:29

Caller Name

Caller Agency

Primary Contact  
-Alt Contact  
-Alt Contact  
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## Details

Fire under control, HWY reopened - EOC Stood down

Severity

Prognosis

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**Subject:** Situation Update/PREOC Handover notes - 2023-06-19  
**Sent:** 06/19/2023 14:52:21  
**Attachments:** RE: UPDATE: Hesquiaht First Nation - Water Emergency.msg

Amaa hiihluukw Forrest (Good morning) –

Please see below the latest information regarding the upcoming RDM shift. I will call at 08:00 hours to verbally transfer RDM – of note [s. 22](#)

I have attached the latest update from the work that Mr. Schadt was able to complete for Hesquiaht First Nations (HFN)– The Nation has not reached out beyond the extensive engagement that Mr. Schadt had completed on Friday.

**Coordination call cadence:**

**HFN**

- coord call 19/6/2023 @ 11:00 hours

**V70600 – Cameron Bluffs**

- Monday 19/6/2023 @ 15:30 hours
- Wednesday 21/6/2023 @ 15:30 hours
- Recommendation – reach into RWCO and seek if there is a need for coordination calls beyond Monday 19/6/2023. I would advise that if the transition from BCWS to MOTI for removal of danger trees is conducted in-front of communities so that they know who has charge, care, and control moving forward for the highway 4 transportation corridor requirements.

**Highway 4 – Critical Infrastructure Group (FNs/LAs)**

- Tuesday 20/6/2023 @ 10:00 hours
- Thursday 22/6/2023 @ 10:00 hours
- These calls will transition into the primary coordination calls – recommend keeping in-place until single alternating is established. The communication profile that has been initiated is the call on Thursday's will determine the need(s) for calls on the weekend.

**Highway 4 - Industry coordination call:**

- Last call that had occurred was on Thursday 15/6/2023 @ 14:30 hours
- Suggest an agile approach on an identified needs basis – the Las and Ops email box have had inquiries to join the community calls. Recommendation is to splice Industry calls from the community calls.

**Anticipated action items:**

**ACRD:**

- They have submitted and I have approved two (2) separate EAFs for waste/recycling disposal requirements – their primary transfer station is in Parksville, they have submitted for the additional costs to bring those refuse needs to Duncan along the detour route at an added cost. EAFs were approved with the incremental costs associated in mind under debris removal.

- They have advised (Karen & Heather) that they might be assisting other communities within the ACRD to submit for similar like EAFs.

#### **Joint Hazard Management Team – ISG**

- SRM SWilbur has sent the invites to me – I found it to be more of a place for excluded members to discuss impingement points identified by the BCWS IC, EMCR RDM, and or MOTI area managers.
- Since my first participation it's evolved into something of a provincial multi-agency coordination call that did not resemble ISG's concept of ops but understand/see the value. I would recommend that in the future, if this call is necessary again – it's hosted through the PREOC as a coordination call. I have no issues with how it was conducted during this event – however, we as region and ministry must take a consistent approach to liaising with EM partners.

#### **Water Scarcity operations:**

- Hesquiaht FN – Mr. Forrest you have been cc'd on all communications completed by Mr. Schadt.
  - Two quotes were supposed to have been received in Ops1 – however, over the course of the weekend they did not submit.
- Kitasoo Xais'xais FN - I believe Mr. Schadt has closed the loop on this file – he might have it in hand for his sub-region. Mr. Schadt, please advise if you have further input.

Kwhlixoosa'anskw (respectfully)

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**Subject:** RE: UPDATE: Hesquiaht First Nation - Water Emergency  
**Sent:** 06/16/2023 23:19:13

Hey folks, it's been an afternoon lol.

**Quick item for discussion** – Approx 35-40 people in Community. Hesquiaht Nation is currently deciding whether they would want to send people out of community or order the water into community.

If people were sent out, the 40ish people would be likely sent to Port Alberni or Tofino under ESS through a SOLE/BCR – Evacuation Order.

Once we have cost estimates on how much trucking water in will cost (short term, already verbally agreed to fast track RCs on a per order delivery to ensure the band doesn't carry deficits) the Nation will discuss next steps they will to take.

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## Water suppliers provided.

Some seem to facilitate local solutions for water, drilling wells, supplying businesses with water coolers etc.

### Water Suppliers

BC Water Service	(250) 337-5049 ----- LM W/Cell + PREOC Email
Cascadia Pure Water	(250) 391-6575 ----- Not in Service... Looked up alt #s and deliver water cooler jugs.
Drillwell Enterprises	(250) 746-5268 ----- They drill domestic Water wells.... They don't deliver anything and laughed @ me.
H2O 2 GO	(250) 337-5049 ----- LM W/Cell + PREOC Email
<b>Island H2O Service</b>	<b>(250) 754-4721 ----- 2500G/4000G Quote. By EoD to PREOC1.ops1</b>
Running Water Enterprises	(250) 248-5552 ----- No outside local delivery, only 2000G truck, only do small businesses.
Stan Wood Trucking	(250) 758-2677 ----- Not a water delivery company – moving company out of Nanaimo. Offered to move <i>water coolers</i> and then laughed @ me.
<b>Summer Rain Water Delivery</b>	<b>(250) 247-9136 ----- LM W/Cell + PREOC Email 2 Delivery trucks 2000G/6500G By EoD to PREOC1.ops1 – May be able to assist but has agreement with Fire Dept for STBY</b>
Water on Wheels	(250) 748-8881 ----- LM W/Cell + PREOC Email

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## Below is a list of barges with their availability

### 1. **G&N Towing (Gail and Neil Towing)**

#1 Gord - **s. 22** – Left msg and Texted (he can read but not text back).

#2 Gail - **s. 22** – Regularly can arrange deliveries through Gord. Unknown of any current barge plans in place.



- **Trip \$4,000 total** (covers both ways)
- Available next Wednesday (5hr trip there, 2+ hours to offload, after 2 hours offload it's \$200/hr additional to wait (to encourage fast work), 5 hr trip home.
- Rental covers 2 men, tug + barge, and grid to offload.
- Load between 0530-0600 in the morning for the trip.
- Can take pallets of 4L water jugs (arranged through FNESS if this is a go) for delivery as well.

## 2. **Nootka Sound Marine Freight**

Sean Mather – s. 22

- Soonest availability for his Barge - Barge Ramp - Thursday/Friday next week.
- **Approx \$12,000** (10hr there/water pump/10hr home)25hrs. Normal rates for his barge is as follows \$420/hr + 14% Fuel Levy on the \$420.
  - If needed a Tug and Barge privately could borrow the barge ramp for the week if required without rental fees to ensure the Nation is setup for success.
- He can fit approx. 8 Water Tenders in one trip (possibly up to 10) and carries water on the vessel in a 32,000L Tank, of which he can pump 16,000L out. The water is potable and primarily used on vendors for showers/Toilets/Firefighting apparatuses, although they also use it for cooking on the barge without boiling first. Recommendation if this water was used without going through filtration would be boil water as a precaution.

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## Recommended Pathway of Success

- Engage both vendors with their quotes from Summer Rain Water Delivery + Island H2O Service for the 6500G + 4000G Truck
- Engage FNESS to order the jugs in pallets (2000 x 4L ideally) to be delivered to load that barge as well. (clarification will be needed in Length of the trucks available + conversation with Gord on how many pallets could also fit on (and how many 4L per pallet) to get proper estimate on trip size.

Hlidax, the 2 companies are supposed to have quotes for us for the purchase cost of the water and the delivery cost on these trips. Please provide the initial quote to Bernard Charleson at thei s. 22 email address ASAP and include an additional \$4000 mark for the barge itself, as well I have emailed Trey Hale FNESS to request the cost of the 2,000 4L Water Jugs(travelling cost from Victoria to Tofino and Water cost separated), how many water jugs are on each pallet etc. If this info becomes available please also include it for Bernard.

Stutwiniitscw (Thank you)

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**Cc:** Schadt, David EMCR:EX <[David.Schadt@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Schadt@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Hesquiaht First Nation - water

As discussed, some legwork that the ACRD folks did for us regarding potential water deliveries to Hesquiaht.

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**Subject:** RE: Hesquiaht First Nation - water

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Hi John,

As discussed, I have been investigating water haulers/transport options for water from Port Alberni/Tofino to Hesquiaht. I haven't reached out to Hesquiaht directly yet and I have quite a few other pressing items taking up my time this afternoon, but I have a few items/information to share:

Ucluelet Rent-it centre, Mayco Noel 250.266.7368 would be a good contact to inquire about hauling options. I believe they coordinate waste pickup in 40 yard bins on barges in Ahousaht and maybe Hesquiaht. He would know the barge capacity/logistics and may have contacts/ideas for bulk water hauling directly from Tofino.

City of Port Alberni does not have a bulk water truck but has offered to provide water. Contact Clint Wright, Manager of Operations 250-735-1193

Walco – possible potable water hauler in port Alberni – 250-723-6919

I have put in inquiries to District of Tofino and will share info from them in and when I hear back.

The District of Tofino's Water Emergency Response Plan has the following water suppliers listed:

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I don't know if I am going to have much more time available to work on this and am hopeful this provides enough info to help you keep working on this.

Let me know.

Many Thanks,

**Jenny Brunn, AScT** (she/her)  
 General Manager of Community Services  
 Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

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**Subject:** RE: Hesquiaht First Nation - water

Sorry, I should have sent phone numbers:

John: s. 22  
 Jenny: 250.202.0513

Karen

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**From:** Karen Freethy  
**Sent:** June 15, 2023 1:08 PM  
**To:** Jenny Brunn <[jbrunn@acrd.bc.ca](mailto:jbrunn@acrd.bc.ca)>; 'Forrest, John EMCR:EX' <[John.Forrest@gov.bc.ca](mailto:John.Forrest@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Hesquiaht First Nation - water

Hi John,

I wanted to connect you with Jenny Brunn, the ACRD General Manager of Community Services. I spoke with her and passed along the request for a water truck company. She had a few follow-up questions and rather than being in the middle, I thought it would be best to connect the two of you. She is the expert in this field and will be able to provide you with the information you are seeking.

Thank you,  
 Karen



**Karen Freethy**  
 Protective Services Manager (she/her)





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**To:**  
**Subject:** V70600 Cameron Bluffs Fire (Alberni-Clayoquot RD / RD Nanaimo) update  
**Sent:** 06/13/2023 00:47:13  
**Attachments:** V70600 BCWS Update June 12 2023.docx

Amaa sa as niin (Good day to you all) – in the interest of continuity of information and updates – please see attached notes taken from today's BCWS Coordination call.

Kwhlixoosa'anskw (respectfully)

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## BCWS RWCO Update Re Cameron Bluffs Fire (Alberni-Clayoquot RD / RD Nanaimo) 12/6/2023

BCWS Info officer provided the following:



The infographic is titled "V70600 – Cameron Bluffs Wildfire" and features the BC Wildfire Service logo. It provides key details about the fire, including its location, cause, status, and size. A photograph of the fire area is shown on the right. Below the text, icons represent the resources currently deployed, with counts for each category. A note at the bottom right indicates the photo was taken from the air on June 12, 2023.

**For the latest information on this fire, please visit the [Wildfire of Note page](#).**

**Location:** Highway 4 at Cameron lake

**Cause:** Under Investigation

**Status:** Active - This incident is classified as Out of Control.

**Size:** approx 254 ha

**Resources currently deployed:**  
\*please note this is a dynamic incident and these numbers will change frequently

Resource Type	Count
Wildland Firefighters	76
Structure Protection Personnel	0
Heavy Equipment	10
Incident Management Team	1
Helicopters	4
Aviation resources	available as needed.

Taken from the air June 12, 2023

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BCWS advised it is anticipated that a change in status should be completed later this afternoon – they did not go into details of the status change – however, advised they also incorporate the weather predictions into status changes.

Weekend precipitation helped with suppression efforts. Fire activity is minimal – smoldering ground fire. Crews continue to assess trees that are impacting the closure of Highway 4.

The strategy that BCWS identified is crews working on all flanks that are safe to access, very challenging and risky terrain. Aviation resources supporting crews when visibility allows.

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Coordination call frequency – in consultation with BCWS

The recommendation shared by EMCR VIC and BCWS RWCO/IMT IC is to transition into Monday updates following the weekend and then Wednesdays for operational updates moving into the weekend. If BCWS or any communities request further information or the opportunity to provide information EMCR VIC will utilize an agile approach and accommodate those information sharing needs.

Critical Infrastructure calls specifically to address Critical Infrastructure logistics and unmet needs for the communities west of the Hwy 4 closure at the Cameron Bluffs.

Note that this call is for First Nations, local authorities, Federal and Provincial partners. At this time, industry representation are not present on this call. We are maintaining an agile approach, and as such, the distribution list may change in the future.



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**To:** Cunnings, Ian EMCR:EX (Ian.Cunnings@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Cameron Bluffs Wildfire Update - VIC Region  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 18:53:47

Good morning Madeline, as requested please see the updates below:

**Current Date/Time:** June 7, 2023 – 11:53  
**Incident Name:** Cameron Bluffs Wildfire  
**Location:** Vancouver Island, Cameron Lake, West of Highway 4  
**Ignition Date:** June 4, 2023  
**Current size:** 100 Ha

#### **Current Situation**

- Uncontrolled wildfire – fluid operational response.
- Local EOC has been activated in Nanaimo.
- VIC PREOC at level 1 activation.
- No building infrastructure affected.
- Highway 4 closed, traffic rerouted along a private road - MOTi sending advisory for essential travel only to that area.
- Estimating a minimum road closure of 4 days – monitored for updates.
- Receiving centre opened in Port Alberni for travelers, approximately 100 persons have attended so far.
- EMCR hosting regular/daily briefings with all impacted/involved stakeholders.
- Communities have indicated that they feel well supported.

#### **Challenges/Risks**

- Fire is on a steep embankment near the highway making it difficult to safely respond.
- Fire is in a highly visible area.
- Long term concerns regarding bank instability.

All updates and communications are being closely monitored by VIC Operations, further updates available as they come.

Please let me know if you need further information. Sam.

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**Subject:** RE: Cameron Bluffs Wildfire Update - VIC Region  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 19:13:13

Apologies, please see the updated information below to ensure full clarification:

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**Subject:** CAMERON BLUFFS - Fire Number: V70600 Update  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 15:50:00

Morning Sam, Corey, et-all,

Quick operational update for you regarding this fire.

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**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX (BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Heads Up Note - update: Cameron Bluffs (V70600) - Coastal Fire Centre  
**Sent:** 06/06/2023 19:48:28

A wildfire burning west of Highway 4 near Cameron Lake (V70600) has grown to an estimated 109 hectares. The fire is suspected to be human-caused. BCWS crews are currently working on this incident and three helicopters are bucketing inaccessible areas. Air tankers and skimmers have been assigned. No structures are currently threatened. This fire is in a visible, high-traffic area. Highway 4 is currently alternating, single lane traffic. For driving information, visit [www.drivebc.ca](http://www.drivebc.ca). A travel advisory for Highway 4 is expected today.



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**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX (BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Heads Up Note (Cameron Bluffs - V70600 - Coastal Fire Centre)  
**Sent:** 06/05/2023 20:41:34

A wildfire burning west of Highway 4 near Cameron Lake has grown to an estimated 20 hectares due to strong overnight winds. The fire is suspected to be human-caused. BCWS initial attack crews are currently working on this incident and are supported with helicopters and additional resources. Crews were on site overnight and are reporting Rank 2 fire activity due to steep slopes and windy conditions. Options for air tanker support are being evaluated in coordination with the Little Qualicum Community Watershed staff. There is no impact to traffic on Highway 4 at this time, although fire operations are ongoing in the area. No structures are currently threatened.

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**Subject:** FW: Heads Up Note - update: Cameron Bluffs (V70600) - Coastal Fire Centre  
**Sent:** 06/06/2023 19:59:56

RDM,

For your awareness. Please distribute to your Local Authorities, First Nations, FNHA and Health contacts within the area of this wildfire.

*EMBC has received approval from the BC Wildfire Service to share this information. It is considered confidential and should not be forwarded.*

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**Subject:** Notes for Cameron Bluffs Wildfire V70600 Coord Call #1  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 00:48:28

Hey All,

Coord call #2 being scheduled for tomorrow. Same bat time, same bat channel. (1530-1550)

Notes –

Started Late Friday night - Overnighted crews for fire suppression. VERY strong winds in the Cameron Lake area.

Since then they've increased overhead fire suppression (Air Tankers/Helicopters/fixed wing retardant/skimers etc)

Complex topography. Steep and deep with lots of old growth that hasn't seen fire for some time (Dangerous for on foot personnel)

Fighting the fire as a full response fire, intention to continuing this approach.

HWY 4 and Watershed are primary concerns and the largest threats at this time.

**As of 15 min ago (15:20 – 2023-06-06) HWY 4 is now closed to Rolling Debris.**

BCWS Incident Management Team (IMT) arriving over next couple of days to assist region in managing this event.

Although it's a big and fast-moving fire it's still coastal growth/less volatile than central/northern areas.

Not recommending any alerts or orders currently.

Weather updates: There is a large outflow event for the mainland, they have a bit of a break re coastal influence. Good burning conditions and dry days. Looking at possible tropical feed with potential of moisture.

This will likely be a longer and active fire.

**Currently 2 EOCs active at level 1** (RD Nanaimo + Alberni-Clayoquot RD)

**1 Reception Centre** for Stranded Travelers trying to return home that it would create a financial hardship to set up for the evening (Group Lodging is being offered, coffee, biscuits.)

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**Subject:** Shorthand from Mayor & Chair  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 19:03:45

**Mayors and Chairs Meeting 1000.**

Unofficial detours were in operation from citizens throughout the night last night. This is not the official detour. One will be in place later today.

BCWS – 100ha. In size, has grown 20ha. Since last night – 60 people fighting the fire today.

MOTI – Photos (Burning boulders/trees coming down the slope) as well as a concern for the slope after the fire from a rain event. Likely a Geo-technical assessment needs to be done to ensure the slope is stable.

Around upslope risk may need closed during longer duration. Several days for the HWY 4 corridor closure. The privately owned road people have been traversing has switchbacks and single lane bridges etc. Not the preferred route. Working on a traffic advisory currently – to be sent out within the hour.

No over height overweight oversized. **Essential travel only. If it is not essential – do not travel.**

Will be opening the route, switchbacks, potholes in the road etc. Will pilot car if necessary.

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**To:**  
**Subject:** KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 7 1700  
**Sent:** 06/08/2023 01:01:34

Hello Emergency Managers within Vancouver Island Coastal.

Please see a key message below from our partner agency BCWS regarding the Cameron Bluff Fire.

Stutwiniitscw (Thank you)

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**Subject:** FW: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 8 1500  
**Sent:** 06/08/2023 22:02:25

Hi,

Please see key messages below for the Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 fire. In the interest of time, it is delivered in point form. If you would not like to be on this distribution list or there is someone from your organization who should be receiving this information, please advise.

Please distribute this information as you see fit. This message is accompanied by an update to our bcwildfire.ca current wildfire situation platform

(<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>).

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 140 ha estimated

Status: Out of control

Resources: 60FF, 5 helicopters supported by air tankers

Key messages:

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Assigned resources are keeping the fire within the containment area. Crews and engines are working early and late on the roadside, taking advantage of the long daylight hours.

Crews are working on the back side of the fire within trigger points.

There is no evacuation alerts or orders in place at this time.

Highway 4 remains closed due to continued debris impact on the highway.

Ministry of Forests and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure slope stability experts are engaged in assessment and decision-making for public safety on the highway.

Please visit [drivebc.ca](https://drivebc.ca) for up-to-date information.

Sincerely,

Coastal Fire Centre Information Office

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 5:01 PM

**To:** 'Karen Freethy' <kfreethy@acrd.bc.ca>; 'Brayden Osborn' <BOsborn@rdn.bc.ca>; 'kpocock@parksville.ca'

<kpocock@parksville.ca>; Schadt, David EMCR:EX <David.Schadt@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** RE: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 7 1700

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### **CAMERON BLUFF - V70600 - MID ISLAND ZONE**

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Sincerely,  
Kimberly

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 11:24 AM

**Subject:** RE: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 7 1100

Hi,

Please see an update for key messages regarding the Cameron Bluffs Fire (V70600)

In the interest of time, I hope that you don't mind point form:

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 140 ha

Status: Out of control

Resources: 30 FF, 5 helicopters supported by air tankers

Key messages:

Crews are working on direct attack objectives where possible.

The fire is in steep terrain. It is being attacked by 5 helicopters and air tankers are bucketing in inaccessible areas.

Staffing up resources based on fire behaviour - air tankers, skimmers have been assigned but weather conditions are limiting their operability.

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For information, the bcwildfire.ca has been updated.

Sincerely,  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 6, 2023 10:51 AM  
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**Subject:** KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 8 1500  
**Sent:** 06/08/2023 23:31:41

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**To:** Undisclosed recipients;;  
**Subject:** FYI - BCWS KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 8 1500  
**Sent:** 06/08/2023 23:44:04

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**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX (BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 91400  
**Sent:** 06/09/2023 20:58:54

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The Cameron Bluffs fire is burning in very steep terrain above Highway 4. Today's cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity are helping crews action the fire and work on containment lines on all flanks. This morning, fire behaviour is decreased and is displaying a smouldering ground fire with some open flame. Firefighter safety is always a top priority when responding to wildfires, and this fire has sections that are unworkable by firefighters.

Crews are working on the west flank of the fire, which is the flank closest to Cathedral Grove. Crews are working with heavy equipment to gain access and suppress the fire where possible. Last evening, crews undertook a small hand ignition in the southern portion of the fire which is at the upslope and higher portions of the fire, to secure an anchor point to prepare for work today along the east and west side of the fire. Air Tankers will be used today and helicopters will support crews working on hot spots of the fire on the eastern flank, which is closest to communities around Cameron Lakes. The fire does not pose any immediate threat at this time, and there are no evacuation orders or alerts for this fire. The crews are also working on the north flank of the fire, which is on the Highway 4 side of the fire. We are working with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to make the highway corridor safe for travel. For more information about highways closures and detour routes can be found on DriveBC.

There has not been notable growth on the fire to the east or west, and any of the growth yesterday was on the southern flank, which is upslope and away from the Highway 4.

The fire has been mapped at 208 hectares in size, and today approximately 60 personnel, including two unit crews and initial attack crews, four helicopters, eight pieces of heavy equipment and an Incident Command team is working on this fire. More resources will be added to work on this fire today. You can find out more about Incident Management Teams here: Incident management teams - Province of British Columbia ([gov.bc.ca](https://gov.bc.ca))

You can view a video of this fire here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5S-bcitfaw>

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 3:02 PM  
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**Subject:** FW: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 91400  
**Sent:** 06/09/2023 21:52:12

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**Subject:** FW: Executive Update 6 - Cameron Bluffs Wildfire - VIC  
**Sent:** 06/13/2023 01:24:33

My apologies Samantha, mis-hit the CC.

**Ryan Hetschko** | Provincial Duty Manager  
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**Subject:** Executive Update 6 - Cameron Bluffs Wildfire - VIC

### Executive Update 6 – June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The following information was garnered from today's coordination call activity pertaining to the Cameron Bluffs wildfire:

- 76 firefighters, 10 pieces of heavy equipment, 4 helicopters, and an IMT are deployed to the fire.
- Weekend precipitation aided suppression efforts – fire activity is now reported to be rank 1.
- s. 22
- Essential goods (fuel, medication, food, etc.) continue to be transported into communities by detour route and barge.
- Several gas stations are reported to be supplied and operational, albeit with rationing in place.
- Convoys continue to be escorted by pilot vehicle, with B-trains having some success on the road.
- MOTI continues to assess Hwy 4.
  - The road surface itself is not believed to be significantly damaged.
  - The slope is not believed to be compromised, however geotechs continue to assess.
  - A barrier was damaged and will need to be assessed.
  - Crews continue to assess trees that have the potential to impact Hwy 4.
  - The next update from MOTI is expected tomorrow.
- The size is approximately 254 ha.
- Coordination calls are expected to continue, as warranted.

If pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Ryan Hetschko** | Provincial Duty Manager  
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## Executive Update 5 – June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### BCWS:

- Fire activity has been minimal. Crews are actioning the fire where it is safe and aviation assets are supporting.
- [s. 22](#)

### MOTI:

- The detour is operational with checkpoints in place.
- Many people are driving the detour for non-emergency reasons (e.g., vacation in Tofino).
- The [travel advisory](#) urges people to travel for emergency purposes only, but there are still no restrictions.
- Starting tomorrow morning, 3 pilot cars will guide a convoy of commercial vehicles through the detour. The convoy will depart Lake Cowichan at 05:00 and 15:00, returning at 10:00 and 20:00 respectively.
  - The pilot cars will restrict passenger vehicles from passing the convoy and provide advance warning to oncoming traffic that large vehicles are ahead.

If pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Paul Brandson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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## Executive Update 4 – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

An MVI has been reported on the Carmanah Main FSR along the detour route from Port Alberni to Youbou.

- The report suggests a truck has gone off the road and is currently upside down in Francis Lake ([DGIR 232121](#))
- The truck is leaking fuel and transmission fluid into Francis Lake
- The truck is also reportedly carrying used oil waste buckets and 650 liters of antifreeze
- MOE RO has been notified and is responding to this incident
- Initial reports suggested that the detour route was shut down as a result of this MVI however MOTI and RCMP have confirmed the detour remains open at this time
- RCMP has confirmed a plan is in place to remove the truck and clean up the spill
  - The plan will involve specialized equipment (crane etc.) being brought into the incident site, and will result in the road being closed
  - An ETA for arrival of the response crew and subsequent road closure is unknown at this time
- According to RCMP a plan has been made to reroute traffic around the MVI/DGIR clean up enabling the detour to remain open
  - The reroute will result in approximately a 1 hour increase to the detour time
- Reports have also been received by RCMP of a vehicle with 2 flat tires along the detour route (no anticipated to impact the detour however likely more to follow consider ill prepared/inexperienced drivers for these types of road conditions)
- The RCMP also shared that the Ditidaht First Nation (close to the MVI location and along the detour route) is hosting an annual youth camp (paddle fest)
  - Expecting youth to be in transit along the road being used for the detour

*Approximate location of the MVI marked in yellow:*

When pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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### **Executive Update 3 – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

BCWS has expressed during a coord call today that the Cameron Lake Bluffs wildfire remains out of control and they are unable to anticipate when it may be under control due to the current weather forecasts and wildfire hazard level.

- The detour route has been confirmed by MOTI and shared publicly on their [website](#)
- Another coord call is being held by BCWS for this incident at 15:30 today

*Detour map shared by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure:*



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When pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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### **Executive Update 2 – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Highway 4 remains closed at the Cameron Lakes Bluff due to the wildfire, however a detour is now in place.

- The detour leads from Port Alberni to Youbou/Lake Cowichan on remote gravel logging roads for approximately 2.5-4.5 hours
- The route is on gravel roads with narrow sections, sharp curves, single-lane bridges and challenging terrain
- Regular passenger vehicles, such as cars, vans and commercial vehicles weighing less than 14,500 kilograms, can travel through the detour corridor
- No over-height or over-weight vehicles will be permitted (ie. wide loads etc.)
- There is no cell service, gas stations or washroom facilities on the detour route
- Check points will be set up on either end to warn/inform drivers of the conditions to be expected on the route
- Drivers are being strongly encouraged to avoid travel in the area unless essential
- Drive BC has posted an [information bulletin](#) regarding this detour

*The following map is an estimate of the detour route based on Drive BC website. An official map will be shared shortly.*

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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#### **Executive Update 1 – June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The Cameron Bluffs wildfire ([V70600](#)) road closure remains in place (in both directions) for Highway 4

- MOTI is currently advising the public that the highway will not be available this evening
- MOTI is the lead agency responsible for alternate route planning, although no such route exists at this time
- A potential detour is currently being coordinated between MOTI, MOF, Mosiac, and Western Forest Products
- The earliest time that this detour is anticipated to be available is mid-day tomorrow
- One Reception Centre in Port Alberni is being opened to welcome stranded travelers offering group lodging
- There are currently two EOCs activated at a Level 1: the Regional District of Nanaimo and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
- VIC PREOC is hosting daily coordination calls related to this event with all stakeholders

**Trystan Kusinskis** | Provincial Duty Manager

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#### **Initial Report – June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

BC Wildfire Service is currently actioning the Cameron Bluffs wildfire approximately 10 kilometers east of Port Alberni.

- Highway 4 is currently closed in both directions due to rolling debris
- The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is looking into potentially feasible detour routes
- Health Emergency Management BC is coordinating patient transfers past the road closure from the West Coast and Tofino
- BCWS is not recommending any Evacuation Orders or Alerts at this time
- A BCWS Incident Management Team is currently incoming to take over command of the incident

- The fire is presently estimated to be 109 hectares and the weather is forecast to be hot and dry over the next two days

**Trystan Kusinskis** | Provincial Duty Manager

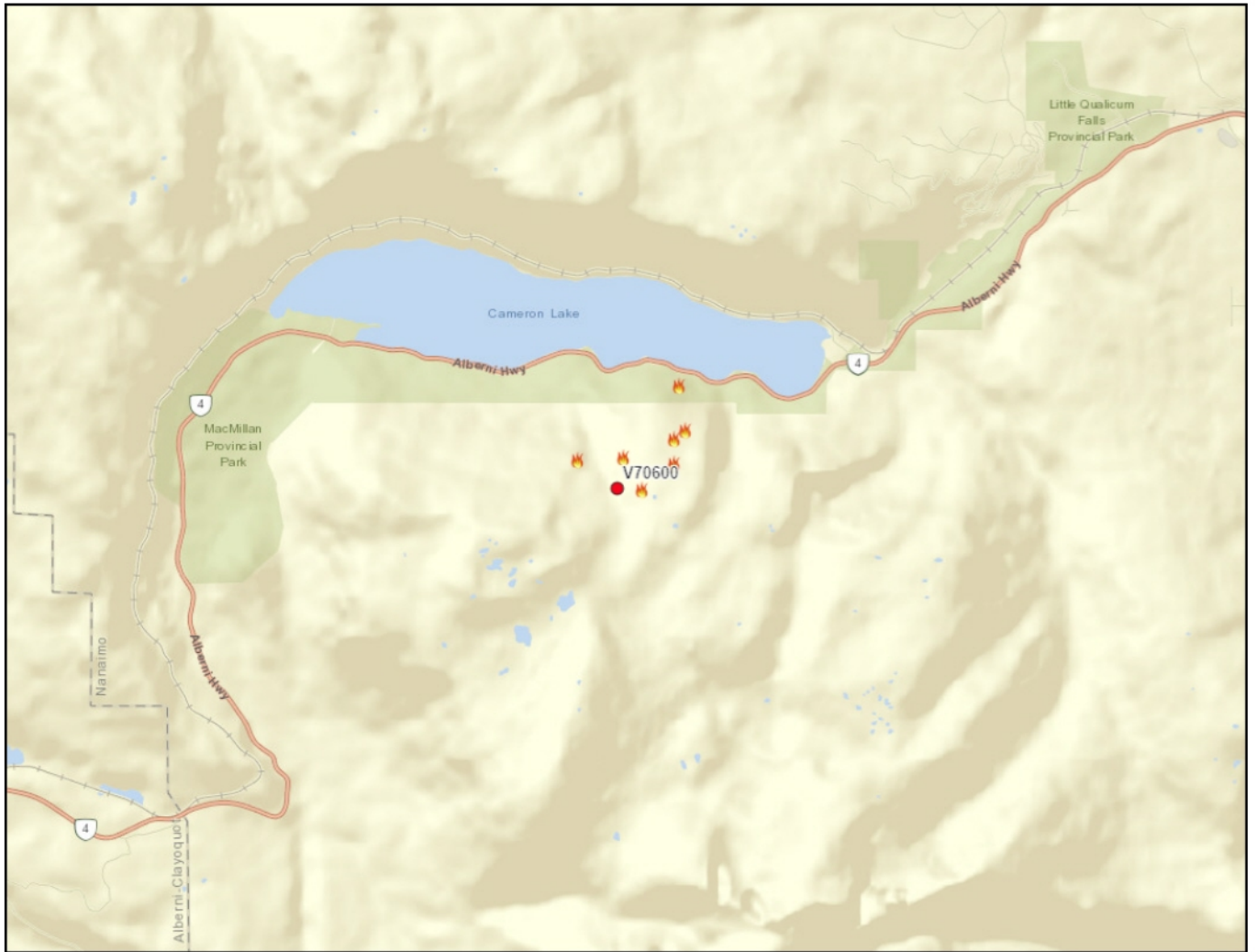
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### Heads-up – June 6, 2023

- The Regional District of Nanaimo is working publishing on a media statement regarding this wildfire
- Highway 4 was closed in both directions for a period of time this morning but has since been reopened in both directions
  - Currently Drive BC is reporting the highway is unaffected by the wildfire
- A miscommunication regarding highway closures happened between two different RCMP detachments on either side of the fire resulting in the highway being closed in one direction but not the other for a period of time
  - MOTI was not made aware of the initial highway closure
- At this time MOTI, BCWS and one RCMP detachment are recommending the highway remain open
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  - <https://vancouverisland.ctvnews.ca/wildfire-burning-out-of-control-near-port-alberni-reaches-20-hectares-1.6428291>

*Location of Wildfire:*





**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Response Specialist



**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX(BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX (BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 15 1700  
**Sent:** 06/16/2023 00:54:21

Hi,

Please see key messages below for the Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 fire. Also note this video update that can be distributed publicly and is suitable for social media:

<https://youtu.be/4iH2H-RGrYw>. It is also accessible on <https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>.

Please distribute this information as you see fit.

The BC Wildfire Service continues to respond to the Cameron Bluffs wildfire (V70600), located alongside Highway 4 at Cameron Lakes. The wildfire is currently estimated at 231 hectares in size and classified as Being Held, which means the fire is unlikely to spread beyond its predetermined boundaries under prevailing conditions.

The BC Wildfire Service continues to work alongside our agency partners, along with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to mitigate hazards along the Highway 4 corridor.

Sincerely,  
Kimberly

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, June 9, 2023 1:59 PM  
**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX <BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 91400

Hi,

Please see key messages below for the Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 fire. If you would not like to be on this distribution list or there is someone from your organization who should be receiving this information, please advise.

Please distribute this information as you see fit. This message is accompanied by an update to our bcwildfire.ca current wildfire situation platform (<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>). The next update will be provided on Monday, June 12, unless there is a significant change to this incident.

The Cameron Bluffs fire is burning in very steep terrain above Highway 4. Today's cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity are helping crews action the fire and work on containment lines on all flanks. This morning, fire behaviour is decreased and is displaying a smouldering ground fire with some open flame. Firefighter safety is always a top priority when responding to wildfires, and this fire has sections that are unworkable by firefighters.

Crews are working on the west flank of the fire, which is the flank closest to Cathedral Grove. Crews are working with heavy equipment to gain access and suppress the fire where possible. Last evening, crews undertook a small hand ignition in the southern portion of the fire which is at the upslope and higher portions of the fire, to secure an anchor point to prepare for work today along the east and west side of the fire. Air Tankers will be used today and helicopters will support crews working on hot spots of the fire on the eastern flank, which is closest to communities around Cameron Lakes. The fire does not pose any immediate threat at this time, and there are no evacuation orders or alerts for this fire. The crews are also working on the north flank of the fire, which is on the Highway 4 side of the fire. We are working with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to make the highway corridor safe for travel. For more information about highways closures and detour routes can be found on DriveBC.

There has not been notable growth on the fire to the east or west, and any of the growth yesterday was on the southern flank, which is upslope and away from the Highway 4.

The fire has been mapped at 208 hectares in size, and today approximately 60 personnel, including two unit crews and initial attack crews, four helicopters, eight pieces of heavy equipment and an Incident Command team is working on this fire. More resources will be added to work on this fire today. You can find out more about Incident Management Teams here: Incident management teams - Province of British Columbia (gov.bc.ca)

You can view a video of this fire here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5S-bcitfaw>

Sincerely,  
Coastal Fire Centre Information Office

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 3:02 PM  
**To:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX <[BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 8 1500

Hi,

Please see key messages below for the Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 fire. In the interest of time, it is delivered in point form. If you would not like to be on this distribution list or there is someone from your organization who should be receiving this information, please advise.

Please distribute this information as you see fit. This message is accompanied by an update to our bcwildfire.ca current wildfire situation platform (<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>).

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 140 ha estimated

Status: Out of control

Resources: 60FF, 5 helicopters supported by air tankers

Key messages:

Crews are making reasonable progress considering the burning conditions, leaning substantially on aviation resources.

Assigned resources are keeping the fire within the containment area. Crews and engines are working early and late on the roadside, taking advantage of the long daylight hours.

Crews are working on the back side of the fire within trigger points.

There is no evacuation alerts or orders in place at this time.

Highway 4 remains closed due to continued debris impact on the highway.

Ministry of Forests and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure slope stability experts are engaged in assessment and decision-making for public safety on the highway.

Please visit [drivebc.ca](https://drivebc.ca) for up-to-date information.

Sincerely,

Coastal Fire Centre Information Office

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 5:01 PM

**To:** 'Karen Freethy' <[kfreethy@acrd.bc.ca](mailto:kfreethy@acrd.bc.ca)>; 'Brayden Osborn' <[BOsborn@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:BOsborn@rdn.bc.ca)>; 'kpocock@parksville.ca' <[kpocock@parksville.ca](mailto:kpocock@parksville.ca)>; Schadt, David EMCR:EX <[David.Schadt@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Schadt@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 7 1700

Hi,

Please see key messages below for the Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 fire. In the interest of time, it is delivered in point form.

Please distribute this information as you see fit. This message is accompanied by an update to our [bcwildfire.ca](https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map) current wildfire situation platform (<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>).

## **CAMERON BLUFF - V70600 - MID ISLAND ZONE**

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 140 ha

Status: Out of control

Resources: 30 FF, 5 helicopters supported by air tankers

Key messages:

Crews are making reasonable progress considering the burning conditions, leaning substantially on aviation resources.

Assigned resources are keeping the fire within the containment area. Crews and engines are working early and late on the roadside, taking advantage of the long daylight hours.

Crews are working on the back side of the fire within trigger points.

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Sincerely,  
Kimberly

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 11:24 AM  
**Subject:** RE: KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600 - June 7 1100

Hi,

Please see an update for key messages regarding the Cameron Bluffs Fire (V70600)  
In the interest of time, I hope that you don't mind point form:

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 140 ha

Status: Out of control

Resources: 30 FF, 5 helicopters supported by air tankers

Key messages:

Crews are working on direct attack objectives where possible.

The fire is in steep terrain. It is being attacked by 5 helicopters and air tankers are bucketing in inaccessible areas.

Staffing up resources based on fire behaviour - air tankers, skimmers have been assigned but weather conditions are limiting their operability.

Highway 4 remains closed due to continued debris impact on the highway. Ministry of Forests and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure slope stability experts are engaged in assessment and decision-making for public safety on the highway.

For information, the [bcwildfire.ca](https://bcwildfire.ca) has been updated.

Sincerely,  
Kimberly

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**From:** BCWS COFC Information Officer FOR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 6, 2023 10:51 AM  
**Subject:** KEY MESSAGE UPDATE: Cameron Bluff Fire V70600

Hi,

Please see an update for key messages regarding the Cameron Bluffs Fire (V70600)  
In the interest of time, I hope that you don't mind point form:

### **CAMERON BLUFF - V70600 - MID ISLAND ZONE**

Location: West of Hwy 4, Cameron Lake

Reported on: ~6:00 am June 4

Size: 25 ha

Status: Out of control

Key messages:

Crews worked on direct attack objectives overnight.

Fire is in steep terrain; 3 helicopters are bucketing in inaccessible areas.

Staffing up resources based on fire behaviour - air tankers, skimmers have been assigned.

For highway 4 driving information, visit [www.drivebc.ca](http://www.drivebc.ca)

Sincerely,

Kimberly



**Kimberly Kelly** (*she/her*)

Community Engagement Specialist | Coastal Fire Centre

BC Wildfire Service | Ministry of Forests

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**Subject:** Executive Update 7 - Cameron Bluffs Wildfire - VIC  
**Sent:** 06/19/2023 23:22:08

### Executive Update 7 – June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- The Cameron Bluff Wildfire is currently considered Under Control. Crews continue to mop up and patrol remaining hotspots and the fire is not expected to grow beyond its current perimeter.
- Highway 4 will be open to single lane alternating traffic either June 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> as reported by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.
  - Crews continue to utilize rock mesh and concrete road-side barriers to mitigate rolling debris.
  - The existing detour, with assistance from a pilot vehicle, will remain open as a secondary option.

If pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Damian Truran** | Provincial Duty Manager  
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When pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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### Executive Update 3 – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

BCWS has expressed during a coord call today that the Cameron Lake Bluffs wildfire remains out of control and they are unable to anticipate when it may be under control due to the current weather forecasts and wildfire hazard level.

- The detour route has been confirmed by MOTI and shared publicly on their [website](#)
- Another coord call is being held by BCWS for this incident at 15:30 today

*Detour map shared by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure:*

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When pertinent, additional updates will be provided.

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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### **Executive Update 2 – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Highway 4 remains closed at the Cameron Lakes Bluff due to the wildfire, however a detour is now in place.

- The detour leads from Port Alberni to Youbou/Lake Cowichan on remote gravel logging roads for approximately 2.5-4.5 hours
- The route is on gravel roads with narrow sections, sharp curves, single-lane bridges and challenging terrain
- Regular passenger vehicles, such as cars, vans and commercial vehicles weighing less than 14,500 kilograms, can travel through the detour corridor
- No over-height or over-weight vehicles will be permitted (ie. wide loads etc.)
- There is no cell service, gas stations or washroom facilities on the detour route
- Check points will be set up on either end to warn/inform drivers of the conditions to be expected on the route
- Drivers are being strongly encouraged to avoid travel in the area unless essential
- Drive BC has posted an [information bulletin](#) regarding this detour

*The following map is an estimate of the detour route based on Drive BC website. An official map will be shared shortly.*

**Patrick Robinson** | Provincial Duty Manager

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#### **Executive Update 1 – June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The Cameron Bluffs wildfire ([V70600](#)) road closure remains in place (in both directions) for Highway 4

- MOTI is currently advising the public that the highway will not be available this evening
- MOTI is the lead agency responsible for alternate route planning, although no such route exists at this time
- A potential detour is currently being coordinated between MOTI, MOF, Mosiac, and Western Forest Products
- The earliest time that this detour is anticipated to be available is mid-day tomorrow
- One Reception Centre in Port Alberni is being opened to welcome stranded travelers offering group lodging
- There are currently two EOCs activated at a Level 1: the Regional District of Nanaimo and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
- VIC PREOC is hosting daily coordination calls related to this event with all stakeholders

**Trystan Kusinskis** | Provincial Duty Manager

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#### **Initial Report – June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

BC Wildfire Service is currently actioning the Cameron Bluffs wildfire approximately 10 kilometers east of Port Alberni.

- Highway 4 is currently closed in both directions due to rolling debris
- The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure is looking into potentially feasible detour routes
- Health Emergency Management BC is coordinating patient transfers past the road closure from the West Coast and Tofino
- BCWS is not recommending any Evacuation Orders or Alerts at this time
- A BCWS Incident Management Team is currently incoming to take over command of the incident



- The fire is presently estimated to be 109 hectares and the weather is forecast to be hot and dry over the next two days

**Trystan Kusinskis** | Provincial Duty Manager

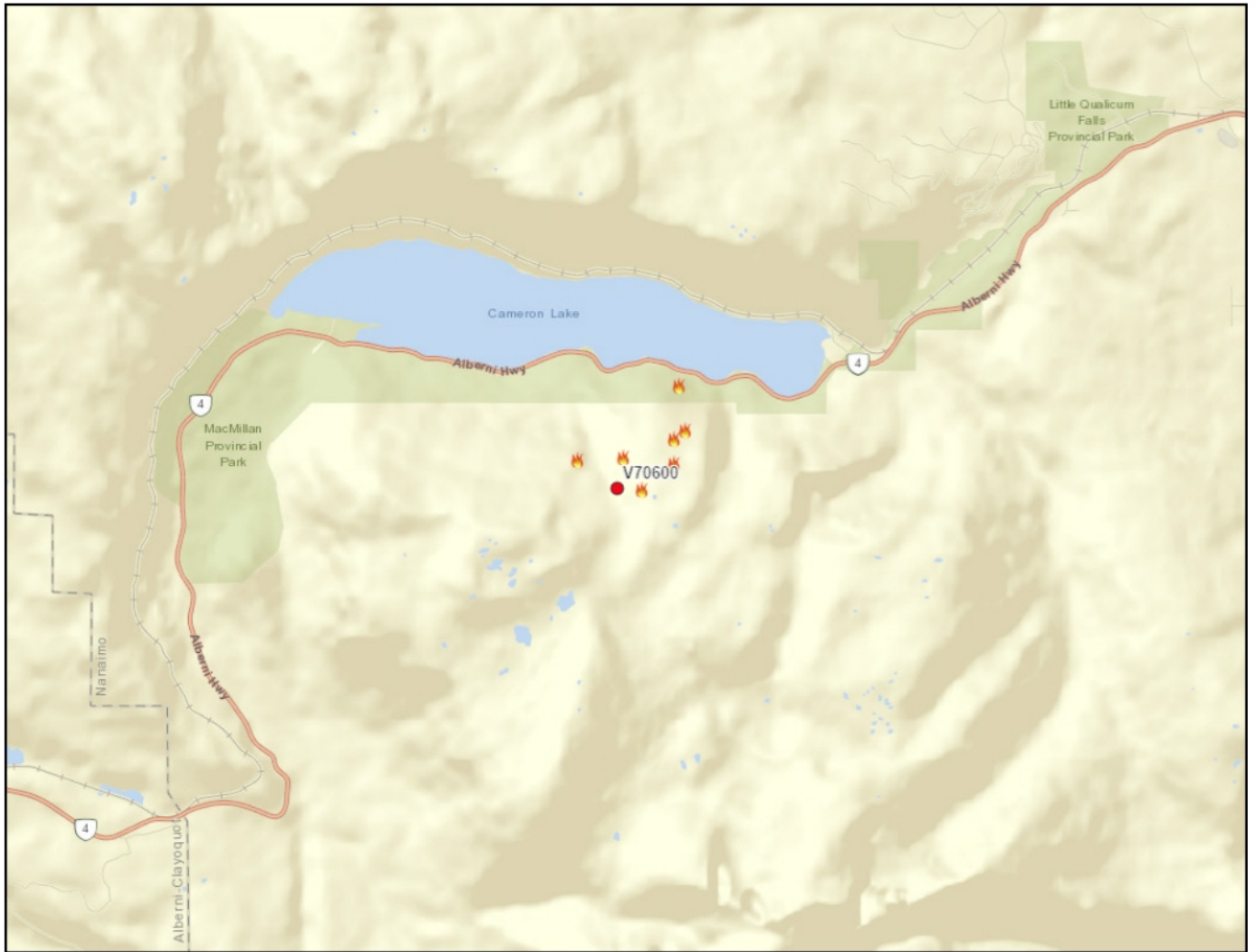
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### Heads-up – June 6, 2023

- The Regional District of Nanaimo is working publishing on a media statement regarding this wildfire
- Highway 4 was closed in both directions for a period of time this morning but has since been reopened in both directions
  - Currently Drive BC is reporting the highway is unaffected by the wildfire
- A miscommunication regarding highway closures happened between two different RCMP detachments on either side of the fire resulting in the highway being closed in one direction but not the other for a period of time
  - MOTI was not made aware of the initial highway closure
- At this time MOTI, BCWS and one RCMP detachment are recommending the highway remain open
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*Location of Wildfire:*





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**Subject:** CAMERON BLUFFS - Fire Number: V70600 Update  
**Sent:** 06/07/2023 15:50:00

Morning Sam, Corey, et-all,

Quick operational update for you regarding this fire.

- Fire is currently at 80 Ha. and that number is expected to grow from the night. Next update on size around 1030 today.
  - HWY 4 is still closed (currently) due to rolling debris from the fire.
  - Mosaic is a company contracted by MOTI and working on blocking the HWY and arranging a detour. Detour should be in place later today around noon at the latest.
  - Residents have found their own work around via backroads and there was a continuous streamflow of vehicles in and around the backroads throughout the night (Not the official detour).
  - Yesterday The Alberni-Clayoquot RD (ACRD) opened their EOC to a Level 1 and a Reception Centre (RC) to help inform people of the event/discuss next steps and set realistic expectations. Group Lodging was discussed but due to the warm (but not dangerous/hot weather) most people decided to sleep in their vehicles and wait until morning. Last night there were over 100+ people that attended the ACRD's RC.
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- Nanaimo RD (RDN) has activated their EOC as of 08:20 this morning (2023-06-07).
    - BCWS is treating this as a fully involved fire and is continuing to fight it as such. There is an Incident Management Team (IMT) from BCWS arriving today/tomorrow to assist the crews in managing the event.
    - Due to the complex topography (hard to reach, steep and deep terrain with much old growth that hasn't seen fire in a long time making it highly susceptible to intense burning) this has the potential to be a longer burning fire if it does not respond favorably to suppression efforts.
    - BCWS is setting up their ICP Qualicum Beach Fire Hall.
    - Additional Coordination call in place today for 1530, with expectations if the conditions severely worsen throughout the day - that the 3-way call process with BCWS will be enacted.

Stutwiniitscw (Thank you)

*Acknowledging that I am conducting my operations on [Sovereign Nuxalk Nation territory](#) and am also proudly serving the [Heiltsuk Nation](#), [Kitasoo/Xai'xais Nation](#), and [Wuikinuxv Nation](#).*

**David Schadt** | Regional Manager  
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