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Subject: Communications Situation Report - July 17, 2021

Hi all,

Please find below the Communications Situation Report for July 17. Updates are in RED.

Thanks,

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Emergency Management BC Communications Sit Report Daily Summary Wildfires 2021

Date: July 17, 2021

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Communication Activities:

- Monitored issues and did some pre-planning for the upcoming week
- Monitored MLA line
- Providing remote PIO support to the Kamloops PREOC – listening in on EMBC coordination calls with agencies, communities, and First Nations. Connecting with communication contacts with Village of Lytton and Lytton First Nation on local communication needs.

Key Messages:

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How can people prepare for an evacuation alert and order?

- With the high threat of wildfires, there are some communities that have been placed under evacuation alert and folks in these areas need to be prepared to leave their homes on short notice.
- The more you can do to prepare in advance, the more peace of mind you will have when evacuating.
- That means:
 - Stay tuned to your local authority's public information channels
 - Have an emergency kit and important documents ready to go, with clothing for several days, medications, comfort items for children and pets, things like photo albums and mementoes that can't be replaced.
 - Check in with family, friends and neighbours who may need a helping hand.
 - Make sure your vehicle's gas tank is at least halfway full.
- If you are issued an evacuation order, you will need to leave the area immediately.
- Staying in an area that's under an evacuation order puts yourself, your family, and first responders in danger.
- It's not worth the risk to stay behind.
- If you are evacuated, make sure you register with Emergency Support Services, whether or not you need support, so that your loved ones and communities know where you are and that you're safe.
- You can register online at ess.gov.bc.ca or by phone at 1-800-585-9559
- And if you need support, proceed to one of your local reception centres so they can help you.

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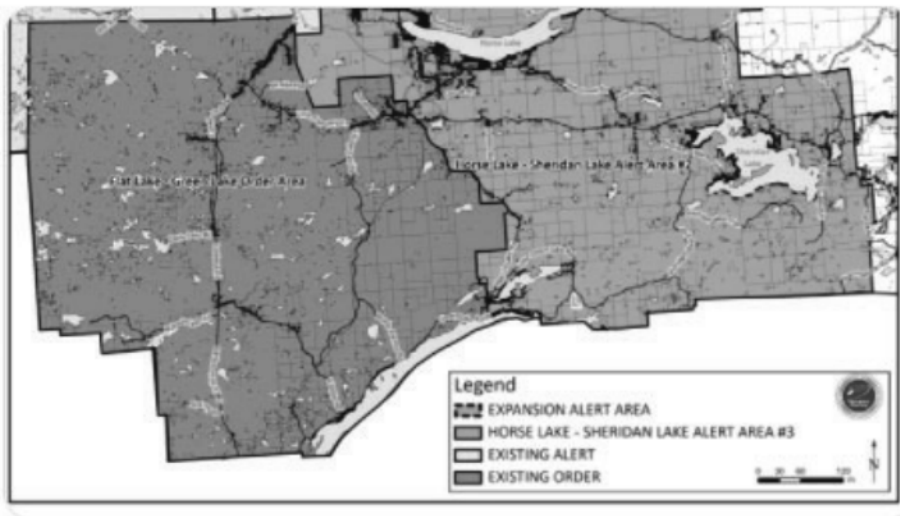
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Expanded #EvacuationAlert issued by @CaribooRD. Replaces the Horse Lake – Sheridan Lake Area Expansion Alert issued on July 15, 2021 at 7pm. Info & map: cariboord.ca/en/news/2021-0... #BCwildfire



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#BCWildfires are impacting travel in BC.
Please do NOT travel to areas on evacuation alert or to nearby communities.
Evacuation orders and/or alerts have been issued in the following areas:
bit.ly/3Bay3ME
#BCWildfire travel advisories: bit.ly/3z4DQBK



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If you receive an #EvacuationOrder, keep yourself and your community safe by following it. Choosing to remain in an area under Evacuation Order puts yourself, your family, and first responders in danger. It's not worth the risk.
ow.ly/mz6x30rNEub #BCWildfire



An **Evacuation Order** means you are at risk and **MUST** leave the area immediately.



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Have you been impacted by a wildfire evacuation? Recovery programs and supports are available. Learn more: emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca #BCwildfire



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#EvacuationAlert issued by @RDEastKootenay for 53 properties in Lazy Lake, Lakit Lake, Holmes Road area including 1 property on Wildhorse FSR. More info: ow.ly/ljeG50Fy6br
#RDEK #BillNyeFire #BCwildfire



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#EvacuationAlert issued by @RDofCK for the areas from south of Next Creek to north of Midge Creek, located in Electoral Area A due to the Cultus Creek #BCwildfire. Follow the link for more information:

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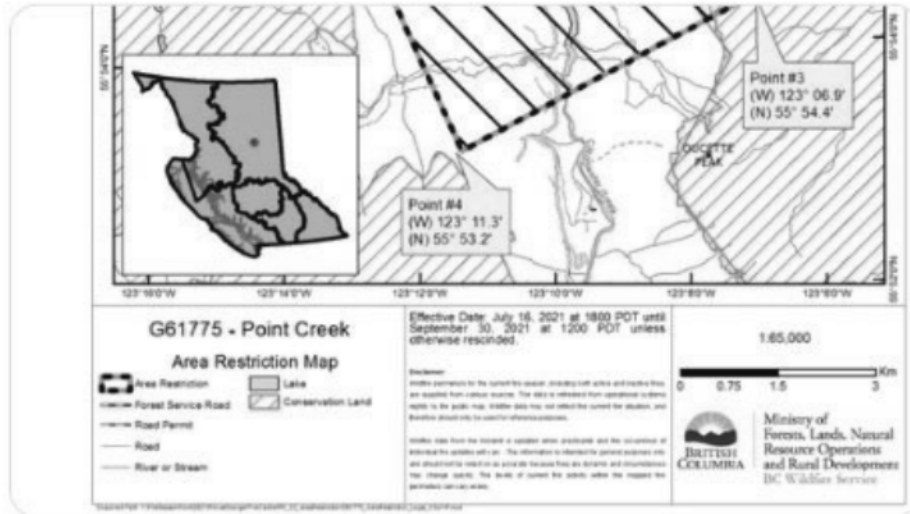
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The #BCWildfire Service has implemented an Area Restriction for the vicinity of the Point Creek Wildfire (G61775). The size of the area restriction reflects the continued need to protect the public in areas where there are ongoing fire suppression activities.



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#EvacuationAlert issued by @TNRD for 213 properties in Electoral Area "M" (Beautiful Nicola Valley-North) and Electoral Area "L" (Grasslands). More info: tnrd.ca/emergency-noti...

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#EvacuationAlert issued by @RDofCK for the communities of Applegrove and Fauquier on the east shore of Lower Arrow Lake in Electoral Area K due to the Octopus Creek #BCwildfire. Follow the link for more info: ow.ly/R86P50FXYM3



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#Evacuation Alert issued by Regional District of North Okanagan for Mabel Lake Rd (Mabel Lake Forest Service Rd) including Cottonwoods. Info & map: rdno.ca/index.php/news... #BCwildfire

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Releases

- EMBC: An accommodation plan can support communities under evacuation
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PSSG0047-001390>

Emergency Management BC Communications Sit Report Daily Summary Wildfires 2021

Date: July 18, 2021

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- Evacuation ORDERS due to wildfire: 20
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Communication Activities:

- Sent out Information Bulletin regarding accommodation for evacuees
- Responded to media calls throughout the day
- Monitored MLA line
- Provided remote PIO support to the Kamloops PREOC – listening in on EMBC coordination calls with agencies, communities, and First Nations. Supported Central EMBC Senior Regional Manager in interview with CBC Radio.
- Provided current key messaging to senior EMBC staff as required.

Key Messages:

We will only be posting updated messaging that is produced each day. Please reach out directly if you need something specific that is not listed here.

Accommodation for Evacuees:

- People in wildfire-affected communities should plan their accommodations in the event of an evacuation order in advance to help ensure capacity for evacuees who need hotel rooms.
- If possible, the best option would be to arrange to stay with family or friends, so that commercial accommodations have capacity for those evacuees who have no other option.
- Your private home insurance should be accessed whenever possible to cover additional costs incurred while on mandatory evacuation. Make sure you confirm your coverage with your insurance provider and notify your insurance provider of the evacuation order. If other supports are unavailable to you, you can check with Emergency Support Services.
- If you're under evacuation order, you can self-register with Emergency Support Services (ESS) at www.ess.gov.bc.ca. If you can't self-register online, please go the Reception Centre designated by your local government or First Nation to register in-person. By registering, your community will know where you are, and loved ones can find out if you're safe.
- People who have self-evacuated to larger communities due to smoky conditions should also consider returning home.
- Because smoky conditions shift and move, self-evacuating to another community does not guarantee a person's exposure will be reduced, and unnecessary relocation or travel will only add stress and anxiety that can also have negative health effects.
- In many communities, accommodations are reaching capacity. By returning home, people can help host-community Emergency Support Services create capacity for people who have been evacuated from their homes due to a direct wildfire threat.

Emergency Info BC Messaging:





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Smoky air, heat & the stress from being evacuated or on alert may heighten personal health issues. Find health-related supports here:
emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/wildfire-recov... #BCwildfire



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The #BCWildfire Service has implemented 2 Area Restrictions for the vicinity of the Tanglefoot Creek Wildfire (N11958) & Ptarmigan Creek Wildfire (N21981). Both orders are currently in effect. For more info, please visit:
ow.ly/Xp9Z30rOaKU #Cranbrook #CanalFlats



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#EvacuationOrder issued by @TNRD for 60 properties in Walhachin area (Electoral Area "I") due to Tremont Creek #BCwildfire. More info: tnrd.ca/emergency-noti...

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#EvacuationAlert expanded by @RDofCK to include 28 additional properties due to the Michaud Creek #BCwildfire. Follow the link for more information: ow.ly/EM3R50Fyelk



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The @TNRD has issued an #EvacuationOrder. The Flat Lake Wildfire is posing a threat to properties located in the vicinity of Gustafsen Lake and Neilson Lake. #BCWildfire

More info: tnrd.ca/emergency-noti...



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#EvacuationOrder issued by @RDofCK for south side of Taite Creek, including the rec site, due to Octopus Creek wildfire. Info & map: ow.ly/NpTG50FycTo #BCwildfire



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To: GCPE Comm Directors; GCPE Executive (HQ); GCPE Comm Managers
Subject: Communications Situation Report - July 19, 2021

Hi all,

The PECC is activated in response to wildfires.

Please find below the Communications Situation Report for July 19. Updates are in RED.

Thanks,

Jordan Turner

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Weather Forecast

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Tonight: Showers continue and move inland. Recoveries remain good except for the Southeast and Kamloops Fire Centre

Tomorrow: Extensive showers continue across the north of the province and as far south as the northern Cariboo. Isolated thundershowers pose risk to the northern half of the province, the Cariboo, eastern Kamloops and the Southeast Fire Centre.

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All-Agency Coordination Call – 11:30 a.m.

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- Phone: 250 833-3360

Seabird Island, Agassiz

- **Register in-person**
- Seabird Island Band – Gym, 2895 Chowat Rd, Agassiz
- Hours: Open 24 hours
- Phone: 604 652-8283 or 604 819-3167

Sts'ailes First Nation, Agassiz

- **Register in-person**
- Sts'ailes Lhawathet Lalem, 16300 Morris Valley Road, Agassiz

Williams Lake

- **Register online or in-person**
- Lake City Secondary School 640 Carson Drive, Williams Lake
- Phone: 250 267-4861
- Hours: 8 am to 11 pm

For more info on how to find reception centres you may also call the provincial ESS line at 1 800 585-9559.

Communication Activities:

- Responded to media calls throughout the day
- Monitored MLA line
- Provided remote PIO support to the Kamloops PREOC
- Provided current key messaging to senior EMBC staff as required.
- Sent out media advisory for availability on Tuesday July 20 at 2pm

Key Messages:

We will only be posting updated messaging that is produced each day. Please reach out directly if you need something specific that is not listed here.

Accommodation for Evacuees:

- People in wildfire-affected communities should plan their accommodations in the event of an evacuation order in advance to help ensure capacity for evacuees who need hotel rooms.
- If possible, the best option would be to arrange to stay with family or friends, so that commercial accommodations have capacity for those evacuees who have no other option.
- Your private home insurance should be accessed whenever possible to cover additional costs incurred while on mandatory evacuation. Make sure you confirm your coverage with your insurance provider and notify your insurance provider of the evacuation order. If other supports are unavailable to you, you can check with Emergency Support Services.
- If you're under evacuation order, you can self-register with Emergency Support Services (ESS) at www.ess.gov.bc.ca. If you can't self-register online, please go the Reception Centre designated by your local government or First Nation to register in-person. By registering, your community will know where you are, and loved ones can find out if you're safe.
- People who have self-evacuated to larger communities due to smoky conditions should also consider returning home.
- Because smoky conditions shift and move, self-evacuating to another community does not guarantee a person's exposure will be reduced, and unnecessary relocation or travel will only add stress and anxiety that can also have negative health effects.
- In many communities, accommodations are reaching capacity. By returning home, people can help host-community Emergency Support Services create capacity for people who have been evacuated from their homes due to a direct wildfire threat.

Emergency Info BC Messaging:



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The @TNRD has issued an #EvacuationOrder for 28 properties in Electoral Areas "L" and "M" due to the White Rock Lake Wildfire located in the vicinity of #Westwold. #BCWildfire

tnrd.ca/emergency-noti...



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#EvacuationAlert issued by the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (@shuswapemerg) regarding a #BCwildfire burning near Three Valley Lake in Electoral Area E. More info: csrd.bc.ca/news-notice/n...
#SEP #YourCSRD #shuswap



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For #BCWildfire travel advisories, visit: bit.ly/3ipRpF8

And follow: @DriveBC @BCGovFireInfo @EmergencyInfoBC
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BC Wildfire Service ✓ @BCGovFireInfo · 22h

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The #BCWildfire Service has implemented an Area Restriction for the vicinity of the Tremont Creek (K21849) wildfire. This restriction is currently in effect. For more details, please refer to the following bulletin: ow.ly/61TR30rOe8m #AshcroftBC

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Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
and Rural Development
BC Wildfire Service

Incoming winds expected to increase wildfire activity

KAMLOOPS – The BC Wildfire Service is issuing a wind advisory for the Interior, southern Interior and southeast B.C. from Tuesday, July 20 to Thursday, July 22, 2021. This weather system is expected to exit the province late on Thursday, July 22.

Wind activity may significantly impact fire growth in these regions. The rate of fire spread will likely increase, and the direction of fire growth may change quickly on some wildfires.

The top priority for the BC Wildfire Service is human life and safety. We urge the public to maintain heightened awareness of the current wildfire situation.

People who remain in an area that's under an evacuation order may impede the ability of fire crews to fight a wildfire, because crews may be forced to stop fighting the fire to keep people out of harm's way. People who decide to "wait and see" if they need to evacuate an area may find their escape route blocked by fallen trees or abandoned vehicles, and familiar landmarks may be obscured by thick smoke.

The following resources provide timely and accurate information on active wildfires:

- BC Wildfire Service mobile app is available on:
 - iOS: <http://ow.ly/I0KK30rOr4G>
 - Android: <http://ow.ly/5YRx30rOr4N>
- B.C. Wildfire Dashboard: <http://ow.ly/gUax30rOr4C>
- Facebook: <http://ow.ly/Jy1H30rOr3X>
- Twitter: <http://ow.ly/nWQU30rOr4e>
- Evacuation orders and alerts: <http://ow.ly/9DvW30rOr4U>
- Road closures: <http://www.drivebc.com>
- Preparedness: <http://ow.ly/Gbru30rOr4R>

The BC Wildfire Service website also provides links to other websites where people can learn more about evacuations, highway conditions, road closures, air quality, emergency preparedness and other topics.

Preparing in advance for a potential evacuation alert or evacuation order can make the experience less stressful. Develop a household evacuation plan, assemble an emergency kit, and talk with your neighbours.

Kamloops Fire Centre

- Tuesday, July 20: Kamloops, Lytton, and the Okanagan will experience gusting winds up to 40 km/h in the afternoon.
- Wednesday, July 21: The region will experience gusting winds up to 50 km/h.
- Thursday, July 22: Forecasted winds could gust up to 40 km/h.

Cariboo Fire Centre

- Wednesday, July 21: Winds will begin to increase from west to southwest Wednesday afternoon, with speeds up to 45 km/h and higher gusts near thunderstorms.
- Thursday, July 22: Forecasted winds could gust up to 40 km/h.

Southeast Fire Centre

- Wednesday, July 21: Beginning in the evening, gusting winds of 50-70 km/h.
- Thursday, July 22: Gusting winds of 50-70 km/h.

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Attachments: IB BCWS wind advisory July 20 2021 v01.docx

Corporate Calendar ID number: FLNRO-103876

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Thanks,
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