

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

August 6, 2025

## Partial Downgrade of Evacuation Order for the Wesley Ridge Wildfire

Effective August 6, 2025, at 4 p.m. a portion of the properties currently on Evacuation **Order** due to the Wesley Ridge wildfire will be allowed to return home. These properties will be placed on an Evacuation **Alert** for the foreseeable future. This initial change affects approximately one third of the properties currently on Evacuation Order.

All properties being downgraded to Evacuation **Alert** today have been assessed to ensure it is safe to return home. None of the properties in this area have been impacted by fire and did not lose power during this evacuation order.

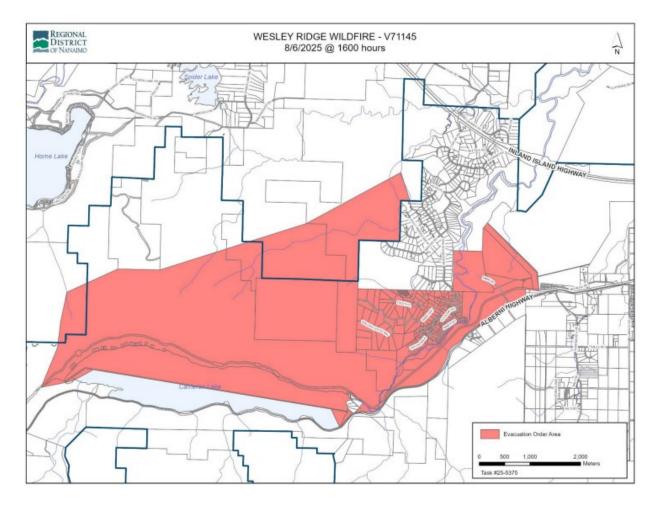
Please know our first priority is getting residents home as soon as it is safe to do so. We understand that it is disappointing that not all evacuees are able to return home at this time.

We are in constant communication with BC Wildfire Service and other partners to assess when more properties can be taken off Evacuation Order.

Those that remain on **Evacuation Order** include:

Road	From	То
ABBEY RD	1628	1830
CAMERON CRES	1745	1796
CANUCK CRES	1778	1816
COUNTRY RD	1634	1795
DAR'S PL	1731	1747
DUNWURKIN WAY	1767	1811
EASY WAY	1635	1644
FARRAH'S WAY	1600	1625
JAY BELL TRAIL	1767	1790
KAREN'S COURT	1704	1723
KLEIN RIDGE RD	1880	1925
KYMY'S CRES	1675	1690
LAILAH'S LOOP	1671	1696
LAURA'S LOOP	1550	1601

Road	From	То
LEWIS LANE	1610	1637
MARTINI WAY	1734	1874
MEADOWOOD WAY	1610	1851
MIAMA COURT	1715	1735
PADY PL	1545	1592
PAUL'S PL	1725	1860
PELIGREN PL	1675	1719
SPIRIT WAY	1670	1748
TAYLOR WALK	1821	1883
TOMS-TURN-AROUND	1865	1991
WALLACE WOOD WAY	1815	1940
WARN WAY	1700	1845
WYATT'S WAY	1645	1670



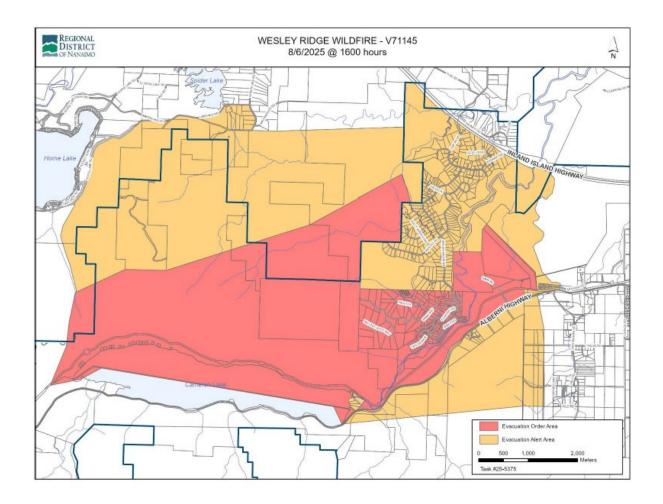
The following properties remain on **Evacuation Alert**:

### Newly impacted areas:

Road	From	То
ALBERNI HIGHWAY	4655	4659
ASHLING RD	1750	1990
CHALET RD	1270	1331
DOLLY VARDEN WAY	1370	1485
MEADOWOOD WAY	1425	1594
PIERCE WAY	1870	1926
WESLEY RIDGE PL	1720	1800

# Properties Remaining Under Evacuation Alert (no change):

Road	From	То
ASHLING RD	1650	1740
ALBERNI HWY	3959	4138
CORCAN RD	970	1240
ELD RD	4150	4165
GALVIN PL	1700	1897
KOEN RD	1030	1045
KOSKIMO RD	1000	1098
LAKEVIEW RD (Spider		
Lk)	2700	2740
MARSHLAND RD	2700	2800
MEADOWOOD WAY	1131	1410
MELROSE	3840	3927
SETTLER RD	1714	1820
SPIDER LAKE RD	1240	1260
TIMBERLAKE PL	1905	1940
WILDFLOWER PL	995	1025



Updates to the Evacuation **Order** and **Alert** areas are made based on recommendations from the BC Wildfire Service about wildfire activity, in addition to other hazards caused by the fire that need to be mitigated, a lack of utility services, or firefighting equipment that is still present in the area and posing potential hazards.

We appreciate the understanding and cooperation of residents in these areas who are currently affected by this Evacuation **Order** as we work to make sure that a return to regular access can be granted as soon as possible.

We ask the public to avoid the areas under Evacuation **Alert** as there will continue to be fire suppression efforts throughout the area.

The new Evacuation **Alert** and **Order** including a map and list of addresses and other information can be viewed at <u>rdn.bc.ca/current-alerts</u>. If evacuees have questions, contact the RDN EOC at 250-390-6538 from 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

#### Additional information and resources:

- To learn more about the RDN emergency program and how to be prepared and to sign up to receive emergency alerts directly from the RDN through Voyent Alert, visit rdn.bc.ca/emergency-
- To view a map of current wildfires and wildfire status: BC Wildfires Map
- For information on current fire bans and other prohibitions in the Coastal Fire Centre: Coastal Fire Centre bans and restrictions
- To report smoke or fires, call 1-800-663-5555 or \*5555 or use the BCWS mobile app on your smart device
- For accurate information on emergencies, response and recovery resources: EmergencyInfoBC
- For information on the status of highways: DriveBC
- For information on the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI): Air Quality Health Index forecast for B.C.
- For updates on fire weather and smoke across Canada: firesmoke.ca/
- To learn more about FireSmart BC and how to prepare your home and community for wildfire season: FireSmart BC

### Wildfire safety reminders:

- During a wildfire, it is likely smoke will be visible in surrounding areas. If it is smokey in your area, it is best to stay indoors and close your windows when possible.
- Avoid all areas near the wildfire, obey signage and give fire crews the space to work.
- The operation of any aircraft not associated with fire suppression activities, including drones and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), near a wildfire is illegal. It also poses a serious threat to the safety of the fire crews.

### For media inquiries, please contact:

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