

EVACUATION ORDER

Wesley Ridge

Date: **07/31/2025**

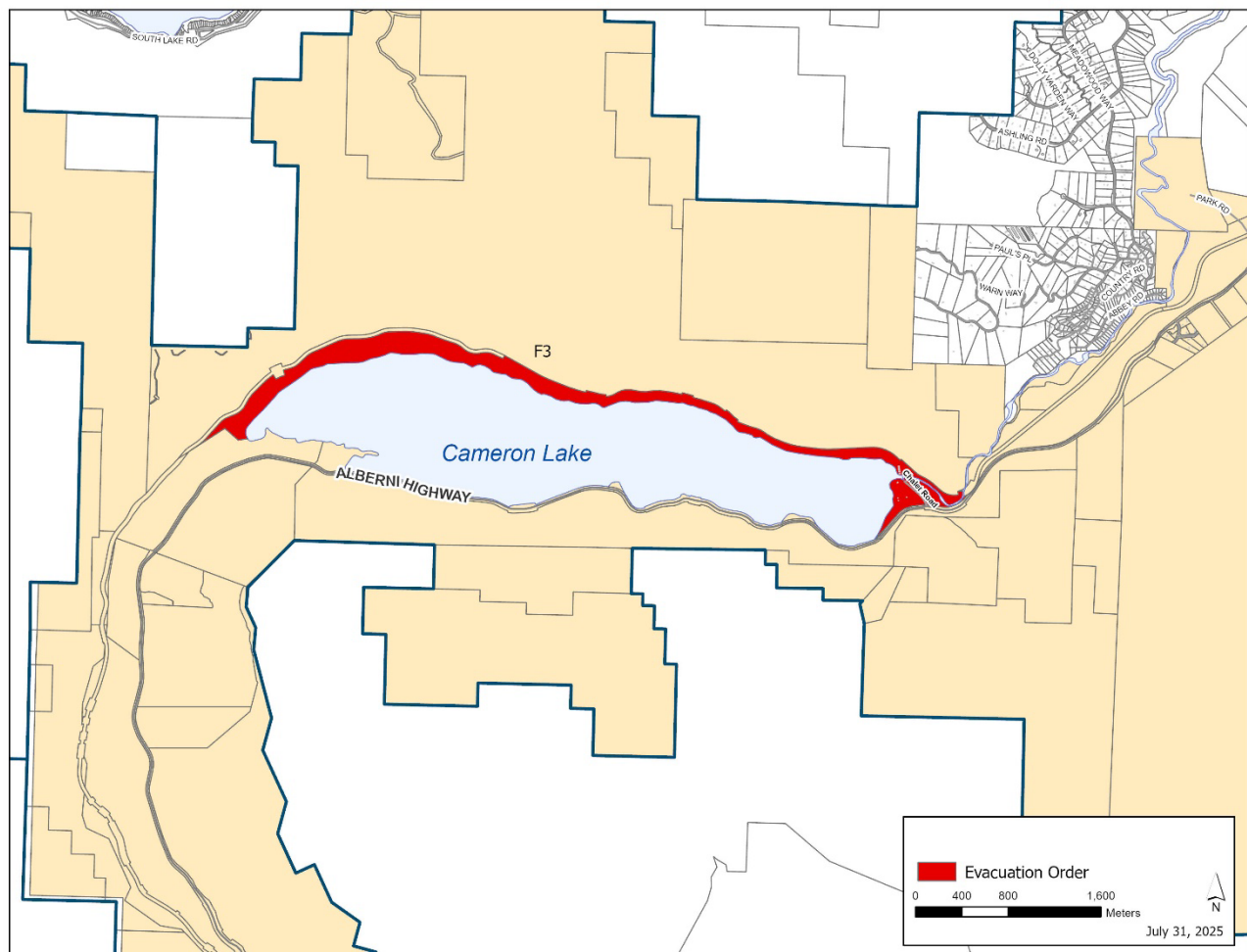
Whereas a state of local emergency was declared on **July 31st, 2025** by **Regional District of Nanaimo** pursuant to Section 95 of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* due to **Wesley Ridge Wildfire** the area of **Wesley Ride, adjacent to Cameron Lake, Electoral Area F** in the Regional District of Nanaimo.

And whereas Section 107 (1)(c) and (d) of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* authorizes requiring evacuations in relation to a declared state of local emergency, making arrangements for the adequate care and protection of evacuated persons and animals, and controlling travel to or from an area;

And whereas the **Wesley Ridge Wildfire** is a significant threat to the health, safety, and welfare of persons, such that an evacuation and controlling travel is necessary to minimize threats;

This **Evacuation Order** has been issued by **Regional District of Nanaimo** and is **effective as of July 31st, 10:55 am** for the following areas:

North side of Cameron Lake, including Chalet Road Little Qualicum Falls Provincial Park at Cameron Lake



YOU MUST LEAVE THE AREA IMMEDIATELY

Members of the **Oceanside RCMP, Dashwood Fire Department and Coombs-Hilliers Fire Department and other applicable agencies** will be expediting this action.

A person must not enter any of the area(s) identified above and in the attached map for purposes of residing, occupying, or visiting the area(s).

Further information will be issued later today. You can also visit [Homepage | RDN](#) or www.EmergencyInfoBC.ca for more information.



Douglas Holmes
**CAO Regional District of Nanaimo/
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Regional District of Nanaimo**

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- Follow the evacuation route provided.
- If you need transportation assistance from the area, advise the person providing this notice or call **(250) 390 6538**.
- If you have homeowners' or tenants' insurance, contact your insurance provider to arrange for living expenses such as accommodation and food.
- Do not turn off your natural gas. FortisBC will turn off natural gas service as needed.
- Close all windows and doors.
- Close gates (latch) but do not lock.
- Gather your family and, if you have room, take a neighbor or someone needing transportation. Do not use more vehicles than you must to help reduce traffic congestion.
- Take critical items (e.g., medicine, wallet, insurance policy number/contact) only if they are immediately available. Take pets in pet kennels or on leash.
- If possible, do not make calls on your phone unless you need emergency service to help reduce network congestion.

EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES

If you are self-sufficient and don't need assistance to meet your basic needs, you are NOT required to attend an evacuee reception centre.

If you need assistance from government to meet your basic needs:

- Create a profile at ess.gov.bc.ca. If you have already created a profile, login at ess.gov.bc.ca. You will receive instructions on how to receive supports.

- If you do not have access to the internet, go directly to an evacuee reception centre located at:
Qualicum Civic Centre 747 Jones Avenue

Please note: People evacuated from their homes must have their identity verified using the BC Services Card App to receive support through Interac e-Transfer.