



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

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Evacuation Alert removed for remaining 46 properties due to Talbott Creek Wildfire

Nelson, BC: The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC), based on the recommendation from BC Wildfire Service (BCWS) has removed the Evacuation Alert for the remaining 46 properties affected by the Talbott Creek Wildfire. The BCWS has advised that although crews continue to action the fire, the danger to people and structures has diminished.

The Talbott Creek Wildfire was originally discovered on Monday, August 17th as a result of lighting. Located in the Slocan Valley, approximately 3.5 km north east of Highway 6 and 30 km north of Castlegar, an Evacuation Alert was originally issued on Saturday, August 22nd for 305 properties in the communities of Lebahdo, Little Slocan, Passmore and Vallican. On Monday, September 14th the Evacuation Alert was reduced to 176 properties and further reduced the next day to 113 properties. On Friday, September 18th, for the third time in five days, the Evacuation Alert was reduced to 46 properties, before finally being removed altogether this morning.

“This has been a stressful month for residents and we appreciate their patience and understanding through this process,” said Chris Johnson, Director of the RDCK EOC. “The BC Wildfire Service has done an outstanding job, in tough conditions, to keep our communities safe. We thank them for all their hard work battling this wildfire over the last month.”

For more information on the BC Wildfire Service, please visit their [website](#). If you have any other questions or concerns go to www.rdck.ca/eocinfo or call 250-352-7701.

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