



Media Release

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Evacuation Alert reduced for Little Slokan South Road

Nelson, BC: Based on the recommendation from qualified professionals who have assessed the landslide hazard, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) is reducing its Evacuation Alert for Little Slokan South Road, located in the community of Vallican in Electoral Area H, from six properties to five properties. An additional one property remains on Evacuation Order. See map of the reduced area below.

Evacuation Order

3355 Little Slokan South Road

Evacuation Alert

3279 Little Slokan South Road

3300 Little Slokan South Road

3301 Little Slokan South Road

3360 Little Slokan South Road

3364 Little Slokan South Road

Due to the damage to Little Slokan South Road the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) has closed the road until further notice. Based on the challenges with water and debris, the repairs could continue through the next couple of days. The situation will be reassessed on a daily basis. If residents have further questions about the road they can contact MOTI at 250.354.6400. For residents stranded on Little Slokan South Road and in need of support please contact the RDCK EOC at 250.352.7701 or email EOCops@rdck.bc.ca.

The RDCK initially issued an Evacuation Order and Evacuation Alert on Tuesday, May 2 due to a landslide impacting a number of properties on Little Slokan South Road. After reducing both the Order and Alert in the afternoon of Wednesday, May 3, the Alert was once again expanded on the evening of May 3 due to debris flow from Talbot Creek.

For those residents on Evacuation Alert, the RDCK advises people to remain vigilant and be prepared to leave the area at a moment's notice. It is recommended to prepare an emergency kit and ensure preparedness, including moving pets and livestock to a safe area, in the event the situation worsens and an Evacuation Order is enforced. Part of your plan should include where you can go if evacuated.

Per the BC River Forecast Centre, the entire RDCK is on flood watch for rivers and surrounding tributaries. River levels are rising and will approach or may exceed the river banks. Flooding of areas adjacent to affected waterbodies may occur.

The RDCK warns everyone to stay away from the edges of watercourses and report any erosion or flooding to the [Provincial Emergency Coordinator Centre](http://www.bccr.ca/pecc) at 1.800.663.3456

Updates or changes to the Evacuation Order and Evacuation Alert will be provided via the [RDCK website](http://www.rdck.ca), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/rdckbc) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/rdckbc) as more information becomes available. For details about evacuation and emergency preparedness, along with other resources, please visit www.rdck.ca/eocinfo. The RDCK EOC public inquiry line is 250.352.7701.

What residents can do to be prepared:

- Sandbags and sand are available for residents at any of the locations listed on the RDCK website: www.rdck.ca/befloodprepared
- If you have livestock or large animals, now is the time to consider moving them.
- If you are not physically able to evacuate yourself, contact the EOC public inquiry line at 250.352.7701

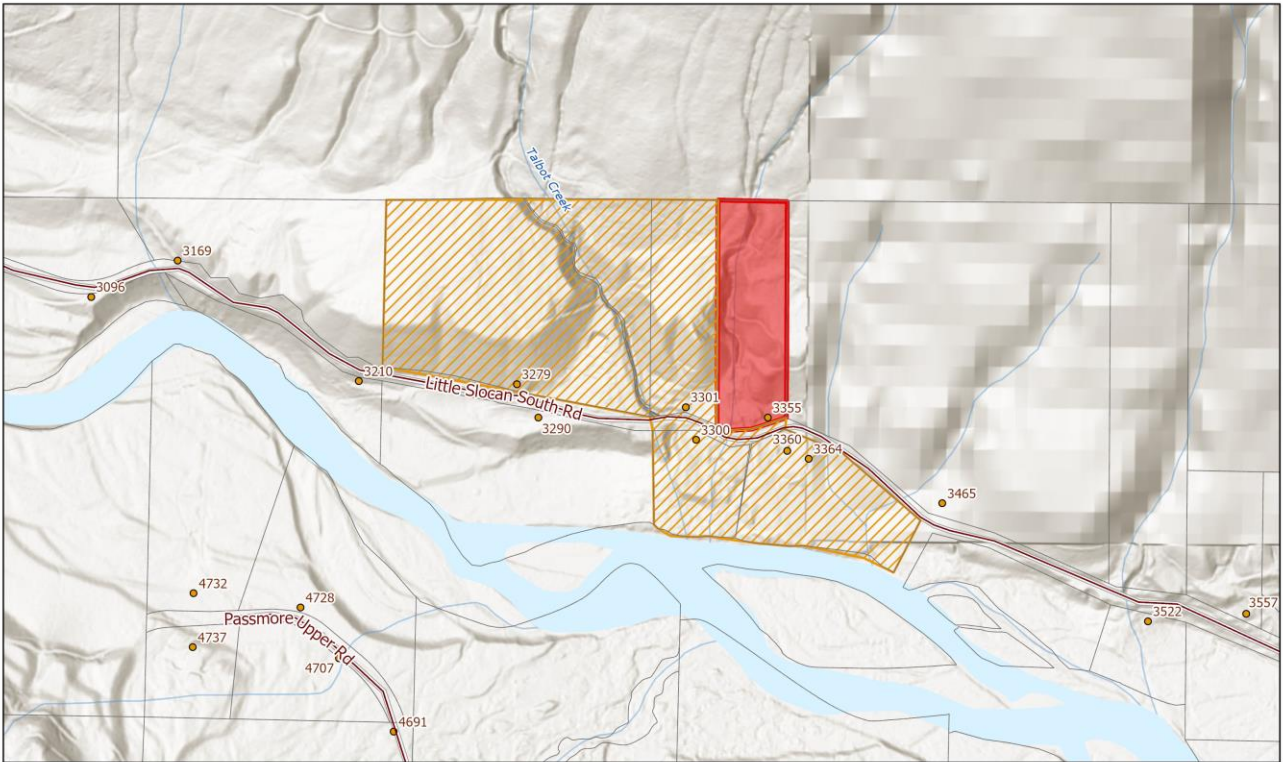
For more emergency about evacuations and emergency preparedness, along with other resources:

- [Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds](#) or call 250.352.7701
- Report flooding or any new hazards to the 24-hour toll-free provincial emergency number at 1.800.663.3456.
- [Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications](#)
- [RDCK web map](#)
- Follow the [BC River Forecast Centre](#) for flood warning and advisories
- [Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada](#)
- [Fortis BC Outage Map](#) or call 1.866.436.7847
- [BC Hydro outage map](#) or call 1.800.224.9376
- [Nelson Hydro](#) 1.877.324.9376
- [Drive BC](#) for highway closures and road conditions
- [Yellowhead Road and Bridge \(YRB\)](#) 1.888.630.1420
- [Prepared BC](#)

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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CENTRAL KOOTENAY
EMERGENCY
OPERATIONS CENTRE**

EOC Phone: 250-352-7701 or 1-866-522-7701
Current Emergency Information:
rdck.ca/EOCinfo
Register to receive emergency notifications:
rdck.ca/notifications
To report a flood, landslide, spill or other hazards:
1-800-663-3456

**Little Slocan South Rd
Evacuation Zones**

- Evacuation Alert
- Evacuation Order
- Streets
- Addresses
- Legal Parcels

Date: 5/4/2023
Map Scale: 1:7,000
0 0.07 0.15 0.3 km



The mapping information shown are approximate representations and should only be used for reference purposes.
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