



# Information Bulletin

August 2, 2021

Emergency Operations Centre

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## **RE: Octopus Creek Wildfire (N51800)**

The Octopus Creek Wildfire, originated approximately 11 kilometres south of Fauquier and remains active and is currently listed as a wildfire of note by the BCWS. One of the main priorities is for crews to continue working on the north flank, building a control line to protect the community of Fauquier from the advancing wildfire and to re-direct the wildfire up slope. Crews are making good progress clearing burnable vegetation with hand ignitions and extinguishing hot spots on control lines. The Arrow Lake Complex (Michaud Creek wildfire, Octopus Creek wildfire, and Renata Creek wildfire) received three millimetres of rain overnight. The cooler temperature and increased humidity have improved burnable surface levels, however the larger fuels and deep soil remain highly combustible and would need significant rainfall to improve conditions. For more information on the wildfire and area restrictions refer to [Arrow Lake Wildfire Complex Update](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#).

An [Evacuation ORDER](#) from the RDCK remains for 168 properties in the communities of Applegrove and Fauquier. The area goes from the south side of Taite Creek, including the Taite Creek recreation site north to Grassy Point.

## **RE: Michaud Creek Wildfire (N51765)**

The Michaud Creek Wildfire, originated approximately 21 kilometres south of Edgewood, remains active and is currently listed as a wildfire of note by the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS). Good progress is being made by firefighters who continue to work on the control line, north of the wildfire. The objective is to prevent the fire from growing towards the north, north west. The south flank of the wildfire and the north of Renata Creek wildfire has been mostly inaccessible for rotary-wing due to smoke conditions. The Arrow Lake Complex (Michaud Creek wildfire, Octopus Creek wildfire, and Renata Creek wildfire) received three millimetres of rain overnight. The cooler temperature and increased humidity have improved burnable surface levels, however the larger fuels and deep soil remain highly combustible and would need significant rainfall to improve conditions. For more information on the wildfire, refer to [Arrow Lake Wildfire Complex Update](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#).

The Evacuation Alert from the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) was removed on August 2.

### **RE: Trozzo Creek Wildfire (N51705)**

The Trozzo Creek wildfire, originated approximately 7.5 kilometres northeast of Winlaw, is active and is currently listed as a wildfire of note by BCWS. Fire activity has remained largely stable. Humid weather on Sunday assisted crews in making good progress in containment along the fire's western flank. Crews continue fire suppression along the Lemon Creek and Elliot Anderson FSR. The objectives for crews are to contain the western flank from Lemon Creek to Winlaw Creek, increase containment depth in the Trozzo Creek drainage, establish contingency guards north and south of the fire and plan containment guards for the south and east flanks to implement once the western flank is contained. For more information on the wildfire and area restrictions refer to [Southeast Fire Centre Update](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#).

An [Evacuation ORDER](#) remains in place for 32 properties in the area of Popou Road, Rooster Road, and Lemon Creek Road. An Evacuation ALERT remains in place for 142 properties.

### **RE: Akokli Creek Wildfire (N71686)**

The Akokli Creek Wildfire, originated approximately 7 kilometres from Boswell, remains active and is currently listed as a wildfire of note by BCWS. Fire activity has decreased with some precipitation and crews have established good containment on the majority of the control lines along the south (Akokli Creek) and west above Boswell. Work is underway to develop a containment strategy within Lockhart Park and beyond if the fire continues to move north. For more information on the wildfire and current area restrictions refer to [Southeast Fire Centre Update](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#).

An [Evacuation ALERT](#) from the RDCK remains in place for the area from Lockhart Beach Provincial Park south to include 11721 Hwy 3A. The Evacuation Alert has been removed for properties south of 11721 Hwy 3A.

### **RE: Renata Creek Wildfire (N71245)**

The Renata Creek wildfire is estimated at 3,252 hectares in size and is currently listed as out of control by the BCWS. Crews continue to build and reinforce control lines in priority areas. The fire continues to back down slowly toward the community, but there is no imminent threat at this time. For more information on the wildfire refer to [Arrow Lake Wildfire Complex Update](#), [BCWS Facebook](#) and [BCWS Twitter](#).

An [Evacuation ALERT](#) from the RDCK remains in place for the community of Renata and any other dwellings within the Evacuation Alert perimeter, on the east shore of Lower Arrow Lake in Electoral Area J.

Visit [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo) for the complete details of all current evacuation orders and alerts. Affected residents with any questions can contact the RDCK Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) at 250-352-7701.

For media inquiries, call the RDCK EOC public inquiry line at 250-352-7701 or email [EOCinfo@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:EOCinfo@rdck.bc.ca).

Follow the links below to stay up to date.

[BC Wildfire Service Emergency Info](#)     [Drive BC](#)     [Environment Canada](#)  
[Evacuation Order and Alert web map](#)

### **BE PREPARED**

Now is the time to prepare for a potential evacuation. Follow the links below for valuable resources on how to make an emergency plan and prepare your [grab and go bag](#). This includes preparing for [your animals and livestock to be relocated](#). Residents in the affected Evacuation Order and Alert areas are encouraged to stay with friends and family.

Sign up for the RDCK Emergency Notification system and become FireSmart by having a FREE FireSmart assessment done on your home.

[PreparedBC](#)     [Wildfire Preparedness Guide](#)     [Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notifications](#)  
[FireSmart](#)     [Livestock Relocation](#)

### **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS**

- In case of emergency dial 911
- RDCK Emergency Operations Centre Inquiry Line 250-352-7701
- BC Wildfire 1-800-663-5555 or \*5555
- BC Hydro 1-800-224-9376
- Fortis BC 1-866-436-7847