



# Media Release

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## Evacuation Alert for Michaud Creek wildfire removed

Nelson, BC: On the recommendation of the BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is removing the Evacuation Alert for 356 properties from Johnston Creek and continuing north to Whatshan Lake, including the communities of Edgewood and Needles.

“On behalf of the RDCK Emergency Operations Centre, I’d like to thank everyone who has been living with this alert for their patience over the past few weeks,” says Chris Johnson, the RDCK Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Director. “Thankfully, at this time, the threat to people and structures has diminished.”

The Michaud Creek wildfire was first discovered on July 10. The BCWS determined the cause to be lightning. For more information on the wildfire please visit [BCWS Wildfires of Note page](#).

The RDCK advises people to remain vigilant in the event that conditions change and an Evacuation Alert or Order may be re-issued and the evacuation process will recommence. It is recommended to prepare an emergency kit and ensure preparedness, including moving pets and livestock to a safe area, in the event of another emergency.

Information about Evacuation Orders and Alerts in the RDCK can be found on the [RDCK website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). For details about evacuations and emergency preparedness, along with other resources, please visit [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo).

For up to date information on current wildfire activity, conditions and prohibitions, call 1 888 3-FOREST (1 888-336-7378) or visit [www.bcwildfire.ca](http://www.bcwildfire.ca).

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

- Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds: [www.rdck.ca/eocinfo](http://www.rdck.ca/eocinfo) or call 250-352-7701
- [Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications](#)
- [BC Wildfire – Interactive Map of Current Fires](#)
- [Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada](#)
- [Highway closures and conditions from DriveBC](#)
- [For the BC Air Quality Health Index](#)
- [Emergency preparedness information and tips from the Prepared BC website](#)

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