



Information Bulletin

August 26, 2026

Emergency Operations Centre

6:00 PM PST

Currently there are no Evacuation Alerts or Orders in the RDCK.

The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) is in regular communication with BC Wildfire Service (BCWS) to monitor the fires within the region. There are currently 75 wildfires in the Southeast Fire Centre and 31 are listed as out of control. This is a dynamic situation and residents are encouraged to be prepared and follow the [BCWS website](#) and the [RDCK website](#) for the most accurate and up to date information.

Ezra Creek Wildfire

Originally discovered on August 25, the Ezra Creek wildfire in Electoral Area I, northeast of Castlegar, has grown to 200 hectares. BCWS is using crews and aviation resources to limit the spread of the wildfire. At this time, there are no recommendations for evacuation alerts or orders from BCWS. For the latest updates on this fire: [BC Wildfire Service](#)

Area Restrictions

BCWS currently has three area restrictions in place within the RDCK. In the interest of public safety, area restrictions are put into place by BCWS to prohibit access to areas where there are ongoing fire suppression activities. They are established to limit the risk of wildfire occurring or to enforce the continued need to protect the public and emergency service personnel in active wildfire areas. Under an area restriction order, a person must not remain in or enter the restricted area without the prior written authorization of BCWS.

[Hope Creek Area Restriction](#) – issued August 9

[Poplar Creek Area Restriction](#) - issued August 1

[Inonoaklin Creek Area Restriction](#) – issued July 28

Given the scope and scale of fires currently burning in B.C., and the elevated danger ratings in many southern regions of the province, the Province is prohibiting off-road vehicles (ORV) on crown land throughout the Southeast Fire Centre. The RDCK is also prohibiting ORV's on the Nelson Salmo Great Northern Trail and at Glacier Creek Regional Park.

[Off-road vehicles prohibited in Southeast Fire Centre by Province](#) – issued August 10

[RDCK prohibits off-road vehicles](#) – issued August 12

General Information

For more information on the wildfires refer to [BCWS website](#) and [BCWS Facebook](#).

Visit www.rdck.ca/eocinfo for the complete details of all current evacuation orders and alerts. Follow the RDCK on [Facebook](#) and [X](#). Affected residents with any questions can contact the RDCK Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) at 250.352.7701.

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

- [Current RDCK Evacuation Alerts, Orders and Rescinds](#) or call 250.352.7701
- [Sign up for RDCK Emergency Notification System to receive notifications](#)
- [RDCK Public Emergency Web Map](#)
- [Public weather alerts for BC from Environment Canada](#)
- [BC Wildfire – Interactive Map of Current Events](#)
- [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
- [For BC Air Quality Health Index](#)
- [Prepared BC](#)

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