

News Release

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Mt. Hayes wildfire: Evacuation Alert issued for Ivey Road, Takala Road, David Road

DUNCAN, BC - The Cowichan Valley Regional District and Regional District of Nanaimo have issued a joint Evacuation Alert for addresses on Ivey Road, Takala Road and David Road as a result of the Mt. Hayes wildfire.

An Evacuation Alert is issued as a warning to prepare you to evacuate your premises or property should it be necessary.

Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to evacuation; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

Please refer to the attached Evacuation Alert notice for a list of the affected addresses and information on how to be prepared if you are asked to evacuate.

A further update on the Mt. Hayes wildfire will be issued at approximately 5:30 pm on Friday.

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For more information, please contact:

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EVACUATION ALERT

Mount Hayes Wildfire

08/20/2021 at 1230hrs

A joint Evacuation Alert has been issued by the Cowichan Valley Regional District and the Regional District of Nanaimo at the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

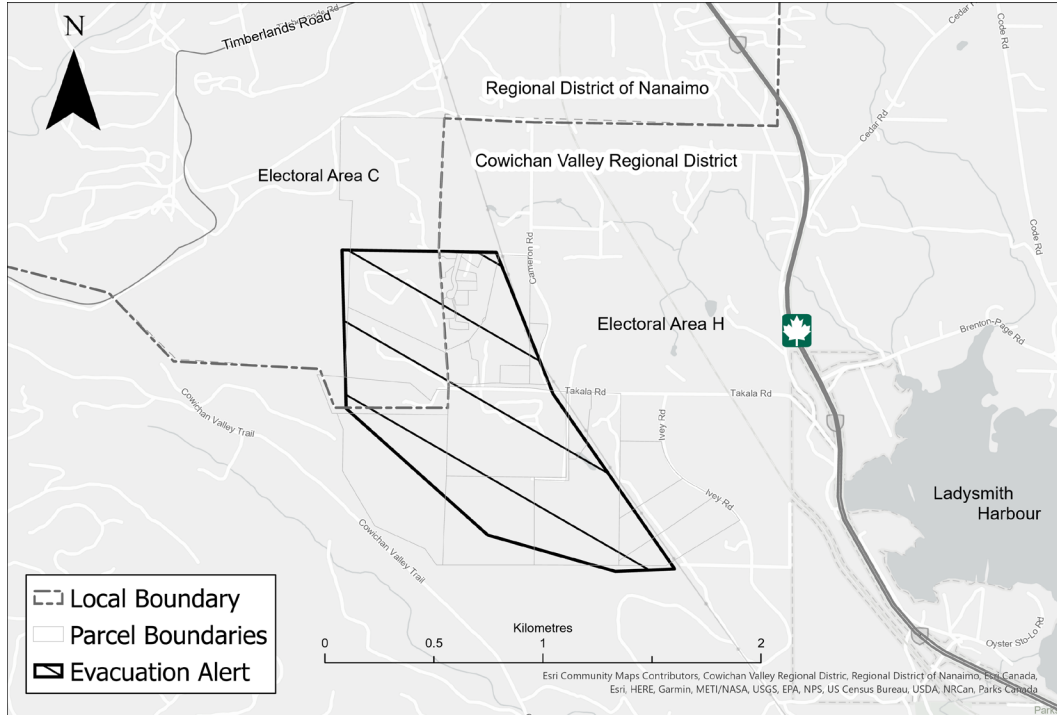
A 70 hectare wildfire is burning on the east slope of Mount Hayes and is currently not contained.

Because of the potential danger to life and health, the Cowichan Valley Regional District and the Regional District of Nanaimo have issued a joint **Evacuation Alert** for the following areas:

12800 IVEY RD
12818 IVEY RD
12838 IVEY RD
12844 IVEY RD
5580 TAKALA RD
5621 TAKALA RD
5635 TAKALA RD
5675 TAKALA RD
5680 TAKALA RD
5685 TAKALA RD
5730 TAKALA RD
5735 TAKALA RD
5680 DAVID RD
5690 DAVID RD
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An Evacuation Alert has been issued to prepare you to evacuate your premises or property should it be found necessary. Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to evacuation; however you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

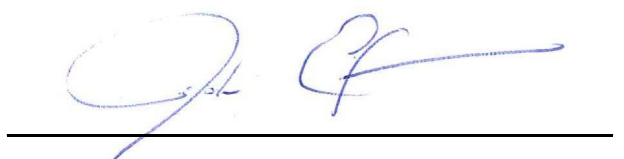
The evacuation route is east on Takala Road, or north on Cameron Road.



WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- Locate all family members and designate a meeting area outside the evacuation area, should an Evacuation Order be called while separated.
- Pack essential items such as government-issued ID, medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (e.g. insurance, credit, and mortgage information), immediate care needs for dependents and, if time and space permits, keepsakes for quick departure.
- Prepare to move disabled persons, children and/or neighbours, if assistance is needed.
- Prepare to take pets with you and move livestock to a safe area (if possible).
- Arrange transportation for all your household members. Fill the gas tanks of personal vehicles.
- Arrange accommodation for all members of the residence, if possible.
- Wait for an Evacuation Order to be issued before evacuating. Monitor media sources for information on evacuation orders and location of Reception Centres.

Further information will be issued at 08/20/2021 at 1730hrs, or contact the CVRD at EOC.Information@cvr.bc.ca or the RDN at eocinformationoff@rdn.bc.ca for more information.



EOC Director, Cowichan Valley Regional District



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