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Flood recovery efforts underway, evacuation order for Allenby Road property rescinded

DUNCAN, BC – Flood conditions in the Cowichan region have subsided in many areas, although a number of residents remain displaced and some evacuation orders remain in effect.

The <u>State of Local Emergency</u> declared on Monday continues, and applies to areas of the Cowichan Valley Regional District, the Municipality of North Cowichan, City of Duncan, Cowichan Tribes, Halalt First Nation and Penelakut Tribe. However, the evacuation order for the Riverside Campground on Allenby Road south of Duncan has been rescinded. The evacuation alert for the Meadow Glen Apartments property on Canada Avenue has also been cancelled.

The emergency reception centre for evacuated and flood-affected residents in the region continues this evening at the Cowichan Community Centre. Approximately 215 people have checked-in and utilized the reception centre since it was established on Monday, with approximately 30 people accessing group lodging on Monday night and at least 19 evacuees registered for lodging tonight.

Residents in low-lying areas, particularly those prone to flooding, should be prepared to evacuate at any time. Any additional evacuation orders will be posted to the <u>Alertable network</u> and door-to-door notifications will be completed in affected areas. Residents can also check the <u>CVRD website</u> for up-to-date information on evacuation alerts and orders going forward.

Follow <u>DriveBC</u> for updates to closures and openings of highways and major roads, and the social media channels of the CVRD, it's member municipalities and partner First Nations for updates regarding flood recovery efforts and impacts to services.

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EVACUATION RESCIND

Allenby Road, Duncan BC

11/16/2021 - 1630hrs

The Evacuation Order, pursuant to <u>Section 12 (1) of the BC Emergency Program Act</u> issued at 11/15/2021 – 1530hrs to the area shown as Evacuation Area on Figure 1 has been rescinded.

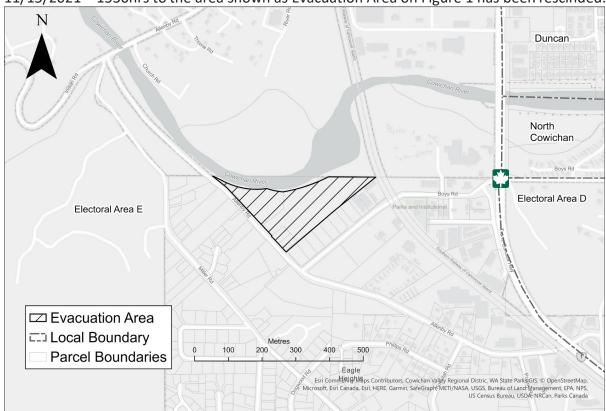


Figure 1

An Evacuation Order may need to be reissued; however, if that is deemed necessary, the Evacuation Order process will re-commence.

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