

EVACUATION ALERT

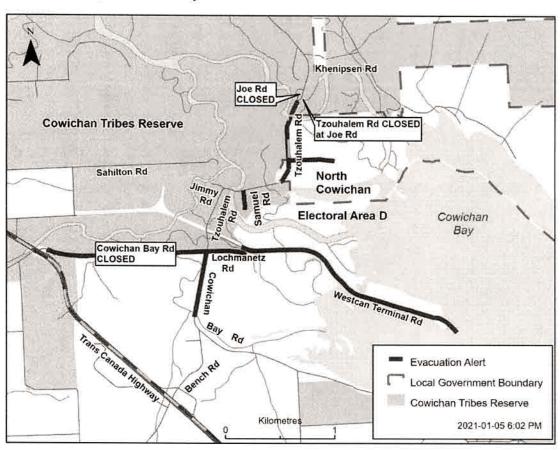
Tzouhalem Road (south), North Cowichan Samuel Road, Cowichan Bay Westcan Terminal Road, Cowichan Bay Lochmanetz Road, Cowichan Bay January 5, 2021 6:30 p.m.

An Evacuation Alert has been issued by the <u>Cowichan Valley Regional District</u> at the Regional Emergency Operations Centre (REOC).

Heavy rainfall has resulted in localized flooding that has affected roadways and properties in the western area of Area D - Cowichan Bay.

Because of the potential danger to life and health, the <u>Cowichan Valley Regional District</u> has issued an **Evacuation Alert** for the following areas:

Tzouhalem Road (south), North Cowichan Samuel Road, Cowichan Bay Westcan Terminal Road, Cowichan Bay Lochmanetz Road, Cowichan Bay





Due to the closure of Tzouhalem Road north of the affected area, in the event an Evacuation Order is issued, residents will need to use Cowichan Bay Road (eastbound) or Bench Road as their evacuation route.

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.

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.
- Arrange accommodation for all members of the residence, if possible.
- Wait for an Evacuation Order to be issued before evacuating. Monitor <u>https://www.cvrd.ca/2275/Emergency-Information</u> for information on evacuation orders and location of Reception Centres.

Further information about this ongoing weather event will be posted to www.cvrd.bc.ca and the CVRD Facebook page as it becomes available.

Aaron Stone, Chair

Cowichan Valley Regional District