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Silverton Wildfire Operational Update #6

Tuesday, July 30, 2024 3:00 p.m. Aylwin Creek Fire and Komonko Creek Fire

Silverton, BC – Effective 3:00 pm today, the Village of Silverton is off Evacuation Order, but remains on Evacuation Alert. This good news applies only to the Village of Silverton, and unfortunately, our neighbours to the south of the Village including the Red Mountain Road area remains under evacuation order.

An Evacuation Alert requires that you stay vigilant and be prepared to leave the area at a moment's notice. It is recommended that you have an emergency kit and ensure preparedness in the event the situation worsens, and an Evacuation Order must be put back in place. Part of your plan should include where you can go if evacuated.

Please be cautious when re-entering your home, as there is likely to be a lot of ash from the fires. Thoroughly check for any hazards before entering your home, and exercise safety, caution and good judgement when returning to your property. The Village remains on a Boil Water Notice. This is a precautionary step, due to the potential for ground water contamination from fire fighting activities in the area. All users are advised to bring water intended for consumption, oral hygiene or food preparation to a rolling boil for at least 1 minute or use an alternate, safe source of water. A water sample has been submitted today for testing, and we will advise you as soon as the Boil Water Notice is rescinded.

Village staff will address any matters that need tending to as soon as possible. We ask for the community's patience as they restart and begin the process of catching up with responsibilities. Public Works will provide a special garbage collection run on Thursday, August 1st. Please have your garbage out at the curb by 8 am. If you have any questions or concerns, please email to info@silverton.ca

The Kootenay Savings Credit Union in New Denver reopened today and will resume regular hours going forward.

An Area Restriction remains in effect for the entire Slocan Lake Complex – for Silverton, this begins at the Silverton Forest Service Road (also known as 4 Mile Creek Road) and extends all the way south to Slocan. Highway 6 remains closed in both directions to protect both public and responder safety. Please stay out of these areas and allow the fire fighters and other responders to complete their important work.

For detailed information from BC Wildfire Services specific to the Komonko and Aylwin Creek fires, please visit the following websites:

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https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/incidents?fireYear=2024&incidentNumber=N51065&source=list

These updates will continue as long as the Village remains on Evacuation Alert but may become less frequent if there is no new information to share. Please continue to support our fire fighters and the teams that are working hard to protect our community.

Village of Silverton