

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Evacuation Area Expanded for Gustafson North FSR Fire**

105 Mile House, 108 Mile House, and Lac La Hache B.C. – The Cariboo Regional District (CRD) has expanded the Evacuation area for the Gustafson North FSR fire. The total evacuation area includes approximately 2050 properties on the west side of Highway 97 between the northern boundary of 100 Mile House and the northern tip of Lac La Hache.

The CRD has also issued an Evacuation Alert for approximately 220 properties on the east side of Highway 97 in the Lac La Hache area.

Emergency Social Services Reception Centres have been established at the Curling Rink on Airport Road in 100 Mile House and the Ramada Inn Convention Centre in Williams Lake. The CRD's EOC Public Information line is 250-398-5117. Evacuees are urged to register at one of the Emergency Social Services Reception Centres, even if they don't require services, so that they can be contacted for public meetings or updates.

Residents are reminded to register for the Cariboo Chilcotin Emergency Notification System by visiting the Cariboo Regional District at <a href="mailto:cariboord.ca">cariboord.ca</a>. For up to date fire information, please follow the Cariboo Fire Centre on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo">www.facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo</a> or call 1-888-336-7378. For up to date information on Highway closures, please visit <a href="www.drivebc.ca">www.drivebc.ca</a>. For more information regarding evacuations, please visit the CRD's website at <a href="mailto:cariboord.ca">cariboord.ca</a>, or follow us on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations">www.facebook.com/CRDEmergencyOperations</a> or on Twitter @CaribooRD.

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