

What to do in the event of an

EVACUATION ALERT

PETS

- Create a list of important information about your pets: name, type/breed, birthdate, health concerns/allergies, recent vaccinations/medications, ID tag and microchip number.
- Leash, pet restraint, muzzle or harness.
- Pet carrier.
- Pet food for three days to one week (or more).
- Water for three days to one week (or more).
- Collapsible food and water dishes.
- Treats, a favourite toy and a small towel with your scent on it.
- Waterproof backpack or bag for your pet supplies.
- Copy of vaccination records.
- Medications and basic pet first aid supplies.
- Photos of your pet(s) with you and alone; they can be used for identification.
- In case you are not home during an emergency, give a trusted friend or neighbour a key and let them know where your pet grab-and-go bag is located so they can bring it with your pet.

LIVESTOCK

- During an Evacuation ALERT is the best time to relocate livestock and other animals, before roads are needed for human evacuation. When the population is determined to be at imminent risk, an evacuation ORDER is issued and people must leave the area immediately. Local police or RCMP enforce evacuation orders. Transportation routes may be restricted for the use of human evacuation and may not be available for livestock transport.

Find more details about moving livestock through the **BC Ministry of Agriculture** website: www.agf.gov.bc.ca/emergency

VEHICLES/RVS

- Ensure your vehicle has fuel. The tank should always be at least half-full.
- When an ALERT is issued, that is the time to move your boat/trailer/rv/recreational vehicles. If an ALERT is changed to an ORDER, movement of these vehicles will no longer be possible.

STORAGE FACILITIES

The following list is by no means an exhaustive list of facilities in the area. Residents are encouraged to plan in advance what storage facility they want to use.

EAST KOOTENAY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PARTNERS:



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| CRANBROOK | Rite Way RV Services |
| Ace Mini Storage | 778-517-5517 |
| 250-489-4640 | Runners RV |
| Black Metal Storage | 250-489-4141 |
| 250-489-9822 | FERNIE |
| Cranbrook RV & Mini Storage | Fernie Storage |
| 250-426-7366 | 250-278-0150 |
| Kootenay Secure Storage | Ghostrider Storage |
| 250-421-1104 | 250-423-7205 |
| Mini Mall Storage | FORT MACLEOD AB |
| 250-919-9900 | Blue Trail Storage |
| Mission View Storage | 403-553-4460 |
| 250-489-8772 | GLENWOOD AB |
| Packrat Mini Storage | Glenwood Lock and RV Storage |
| 250-919-7225 | 587-370-3296 |

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MAKE AN EMERGENCY PLAN

- A list of everyone in the family, including all health numbers and medical needs, like medications or medical conditions.
- List information for your healthcare providers.
- List the name, breed, colour, and registration of your animals.
- List workplace/school contact information.
- If applicable, list contact information for landlord, property manager, or housing official.
- List contact information and policy numbers for your insurance providers.
- List contact information for utility providers and location of valves/panels.
- List an emergency contact for nearby and for far away.
- Plan an emergency meeting place near your home and one far away from your home.

PREPARE AN EMERGENCY GRAB AND GO BAG

- Food (ready to eat) and water.
- Phone charger and battery bank.
- Small battery-powered or hand-crank radio.
- Battery-powered or hand-crank flashlight.
- Extra batteries.
- Small first-aid kit and personal medications.
- Personal toiletries and items, such as an extra pair of glasses or contact lenses.
- Copy of your emergency plan.
- Copies of important documents, such as insurance papers.
- Identification.
- Cash in small bills.
- Local map with your family meeting place identified.
- Seasonal clothing and an emergency blanket.
- Pen and notepad.
- Whistle.

HOME PREPARATION

- Clear roof and gutters of dead leaves and debris.
- Remove any leaves from under decks and any debris from balconies and patios.
- Keep grass cut to less than 10 centimetres.
- Move firewood 10-30 metres away from your home and other buildings.
- Check weather stripping on garage doors – embers can enter your home this way.
- Relocate propane tanks 10 metres from your home.
- Consider screening vents with 3 millimetre non-combustible wire mesh.
- Remove tree branches within 2 metres of the ground.
- Research insurance coverage. Call your insurance representative to discuss your coverage or contact the Insurance Bureau of Canada at 1-844-227-5422.
- Connect garden hoses and fill large containers with water, such as pools, hot tubs and garbage cans. This can assist firefighters and help slow advancing flames.



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No matter where you live in the East Kootenay, the best way to stay informed of emergency updates is through the RDEK Community Email