

## **Adams Lake Indian Band**

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# **ALIB Community Communique**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Wildfire Season 2021**

Several wild fires are burning everywhere throughout the Province of BC. This season having low precipitation, thunderstorms delivering lightning and extreme heat, raised fire dangers to critical levels which resulted in several large fires.

**Currently there are no wild fires that pose a threat to our communities IR 4&6.**

The *White Rock Lake* wildfire (northern flank of the fire is about 13 km southeast of Pritchard) over the past 24 hours has had predominant fire growth and with predicted gusts of wind are expected next few days.

Households and families are urged to maintain heightened awareness of the evolving situation over the next 48 hours and are **asked to be prepared in advance**. Have a **“To Go Bag”** ready for each member of your family for any emergency that may occur.

### Safety Tips

- Stay informed with trusted sources
- Monitor weather
- Keep your vehicle fueled
- Be prepared in case the need to evacuate
- Listen to local authorities.
- See page 2 for Emergency Evacuation Checklist

The Band Office has an Emergency Operations Centre Team (EOC) assembled and ready to move if an event the fire situation worsens. EOC Team members include: Chief & Council, Vaughn Sunday, Jerry Andrew, Rena Gregoire, Dave Nordquist, Karen Everard, John Adebajo, Rhonda Camille, Michelle Lynxleg and Mike Moyer.

They are many resources online that provide valuable information:

- **First Nations' Emergency Services Society**

[www.fness.bc.ca](http://www.fness.bc.ca)

- **First Nations Health Authority**

[www.fnha.ca](http://www.fnha.ca)

- **BC Emergency Info**

[www.emergencyinfo.bc.ca](http://www.emergencyinfo.bc.ca)

### **Village of Chase, Neskonlith Indian Reserve #1**

Both the Village of Chase and the Neskonlith Indian Band have issued Evacuation “ALERTS” because of the White Rock Lake fire. Both communities are being told to plan what they will do in the event of an evacuation order. Pack essential items and an emergency kit.

### **Water Restriction Update for IR #4 and IR #1**

The water level in our reservoirs have moved to acceptable levels. Residents with even numbered addresses can only water on even numbered days while those with odd numbered addresses to water on odd numbered days. Water lawns in the evening after 6 pm.

**IR #4 Irrigation System is now operational.**

**IN THE PATH!! TAKE THIS PAGE AND PACK A BAG!!**

## EMERGENCY EVACUATION CHECKLIST

Each person must decide for themselves what items to gather according to any list depending upon the time given to evacuate. Here is a compilation of the more useful items to take, what to do before leaving, and what to do now to prepare.

## WHAT TO TAKE

## FAMILY

## PETS

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
|  | Pet ID Tags            |
|  | Pet Leashes / Carriers |
|  | Pet Medications        |
|  | Pet Water Bowls        |
|  | Pets                   |

## INFANTS

- |  |                       |
|--|-----------------------|
|  | Stroller / Playpen    |
|  | Formula / Bottles     |
|  | Diapers               |
|  | Clothing for One Week |

## CHILDREN

- |  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
|  | Clothing                    |
|  | Small Toys or Entertainment |
|  | Coloring Books / Crayons    |

**DISABLED / SPECIAL NEEDS**

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
|  | Mobility Equipment       |
|  | Special Foods / Formulas |
|  | Extra Medical Supplies   |
|  | All Medications          |

## MONEY

- |  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
|  | Cash (small bills) |
|  | Blank Checks       |
|  | Credit Cards       |
|  | Purse              |
|  | Wallet             |

## JEWELRY

- |  |  |
|--|--|
|  | Decorations, pins, awards                |
|  | Family Heirlooms                         |
|  | Gold, Silver, and other valuable jewelry |

**DOCUMENTS / ELECTRONICS / KEEPSAKES**

- |  |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|
|  | Cell Phone / Chargers               |
|  | Birth Certificates                  |
|  | Car Insurance                       |
|  | Computer Backup Disks / Hard drives |
|  | Portable Computers / Devices        |
|  | Driver's Licenses                   |
|  | Passports                           |
|  | Health Insurance Cards              |
|  | House Deed                          |
|  | Insurance Papers                    |
|  | Legal Documents                     |
|  | Marriage License                    |
|  | Tax Papers                          |
|  | Contact List                        |

## MEDICATIONS

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
|  | Analgesics                            |
|  | First-Aid Kit                         |
|  | Motion sickness tablets               |
|  | Prescription dentures                 |
|  | Prescription glasses                  |
|  | Prescription hearing aids / batteries |
|  | Prescription Medications              |

## SENTIMENTALS

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|--|---|
|  | Family Bible                                |
|  | Irreplaceable Keepsakes                     |
|  | Original Paintings                          |
|  | Photos, Albums, Slides, Movies, Home Videos |

**FOOD & WATER (For 3-7 days if time)**

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|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|  | Manual Can Opener                  |                               |
|  | Non-Perishable, Ready-to-Eat Foods |                               |
|  | Pet Food                           |                               |
|  | Pet Treats                         |                               |
|  | Water                              | 1 gallon per person / per day |
|  | Storage Containers                 |                               |
|  | Cooler                             |                               |

**TOILETRIES (if time permits)**

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|--|--|
|  | Sanitary Supplies                                    |
|  | Shaving Articles                                     |
|  | Soap & Towels  |
|  | Toothbrushes and Toothpaste                          |
|  | Covered Bucket, Black Garbage Bags<br>& Toilet Paper |

## CLOTHING

- |  |                |          |            |
|--|----------------|----------|------------|
|  | Shirts         | 7        | per person |
|  | Pants / Shorts | 7 pairs  | per person |
|  | Underwear      | 10 pairs | per person |
|  | Socks          | 10 pairs | per person |
|  | Coat           | 1        | per person |
|  | Hat            | 1        | per person |
|  | Shoes / Boots  | 2 pairs  | per person |
|  | Sleepwear      | 2 sets   | per person |

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS IF TIME PERMITS

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|--|---------------------------------------|
|  | Cameras / Chargers or Extra Batteries |
|  | Flashlights and Extra Batteries       |
|  | Reading Material                      |
|  | Recreational Items                    |

### MY EXTRA LIST

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