



Upper Similkameen Indian Band

DATE: TIME:

Evacuation Alert Information Sheet

Due to the risk of **EVENT NAME** the Upper Similkameen Indian Band are urging residents and visitors within the area described as **RESERVE/ADDRESSES** to be prepared to evacuate if ordered to do so by emergency officials.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO WHEN AN EVACUATION ALERT IS IN EFFECT

You should be prepared for the evacuation order by:

- Locating all household members or co-workers and designate a safe meeting place in the event that an evacuation order is called.
- Gathering essential items such as medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), immediate care needs for dependents and, if you choose, keepsakes (photographs, etc.). You may wish to follow the Evacuee Documentation List provided. Have these items readily available for a quick departure.
- Consider moving any persons requiring assistance and/or children to a safe area.
- Moving pets and livestock to a safe area.
- Arranging to transport your household members or co-workers in the event of an evacuation order.
- Arranging accommodation for your household if possible. Otherwise emergency accommodation, such as group lodging, will be provided if required.
- Monitoring news outlets for information on location of Reception Centres and status of evacuation orders.

IF YOU HAVE TO EVACUATE:

- Take a Grab-and-Go Bag with you for each family member (see attached for how to make one)
- Make sure you take prescription medications and identification for the entire household, and your pets.
- Listen to the radio and follow instructions from local emergency officials.
- If you are instructed to do so, shut off water, gas and electricity.
- Make arrangements for your pets. Local emergency officials will advise you.
- Wear clothes and shoes appropriate for the conditions.
- Lock your home, unless instructed otherwise by emergency officials.
- Follow the routes specified by emergency officials. Don't take shortcuts. A shortcut could take you to a blocked or dangerous area.
- A staging area has been established at: **NAME AND ADDRESS** should a pilot car or other assistance be required.
- If you have time, leave a note telling emergency responders when you left and where you plan to go. If you have a mailbox, you can leave the note there.

- If you have time **TURN OFF** all outside water sprinklers so water is conserved for firefighting efforts.
- If you are evacuated, register with the local emergency reception center at the **NAME and ADDRESS** so you can be contacted or reunited with your family and loved ones.

EVERY ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO PROVIDE AS MUCH ADVANCED NOTICE AS POSSIBLE SHOULD EVACUATION BE REQUIRED.
CHANGING WEATHER CONDITIONS HOWEVER MAY RESULT IN LITTLE OR NO NOTICE. BE PREPARED.

Chief NAME
Upper Similkameen Indian Band

NAME, Manager/Councillor
Upper Similkameen Indian Band

How to Build a Grab-and-go Bag

You may need to leave immediately in the event of an emergency. Be ready to go by having a smaller version of your emergency kit in an easy-to-access place in your home. These items should fit in a backpack or small overnight bag. In addition to having one at home, create grab-and-go bags for your workplace and vehicles that contain:

- 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
- Cash in small bills
- Local map with your family meeting place identified
- Seasonal clothing and an emergency blanket
- Pen and notepad
- Whistle