



EVACUATION ORDER AND ALERT

Cowichan Tribes Reserve Lands

November 15, 2021 at 5:30 pm

Cowichan Tribes First Nation at the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) has modified our 2 pm Evacuation Order.

An **Evacuation Order** remains in place for:

- Wil'seem Road
- Clem Clem from Samuel Road to Cowichan Bay Road
- Logging road east of Tyup Road
- Trestle Road and Miller Road near the highway

The following area have moved from an Evacuation Order to an **Evacuation Alert**:

- Quamichan Road West
- Tyup Road
- Sahilton Road east of Modeste Road
- East side of Modeste Road
- South side of Boys Road, East of Modeste Road

An **Evacuation Order** asks members to remain out of their homes due to safety concerns. An **Evacuation Alert** means members who do return home need to be prepared to evacuate your premises or property should it be found necessary.

Saturated ground and high river levels may lead to flooding and limit opportunities to leave your homes safely.

Please consider **leaving your home immediately** if your safety is at risk or if flooding is about to happen near you. Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to a declared evacuation; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

People with mobility issues are strongly encouraged to leave now and identify their transportation options. Accommodations options are available through Cowichan Tribes.

See **map** attached below.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- Follow the safest travel route available. If you have a vehicle, go Cowichan Community Centre on James Street, Duncan.
- Someone from emergency support services will register you upon arrival.
- Shut off all gas and electrical appliances, other than refrigerators and freezers. Close all

windows and doors. Close gates (latch) but do not lock.

- Gather your family. Do not use more vehicles than you have to.
- Check-in on neighbours or family members needing transportation. To prevent COVID-19, do not share vehicles between households.
- If you are in immediate danger and need assistance call **9-1-1**
- Take critical items (medicine, purse, wallet, and keys) only if they are immediately available. Take pets in pet kennels or on leash.
- Do not use the telephone unless you need emergency service.
- **Take COVID-19 precautions:** To keep our friends and family safe, avoid going to other homes in the community – local accommodations are available; bring masks and sanitizer and maintain distancing.
- If you need transportation or accommodation assistance, call **250-732-1475**.

We understand that flooding and temporary relocations can be challenging and we are here to support members. We are doing this to keep community members safe.

If you have any questions or need assistance, call 250-732-1475.

You can also call the Vancouver Island Crisis Line 1-888-494-3888 anytime if you need to talk to someone.

Further information will be regularly issued on Cowichan Tribes website and Facebook page.

Huy tseep q'u,

Acting Chief Cindy Daniels



Cowichan Tribes Chief and Council

