

CAO – EVACUATION ALERT CHECKLIST

For additional guidance see EMCR's [Evacuation Operational Guide for First Nations and Local Authorities in British Columbia 24 July, 2021](#)

- Assume the EOC Director role or designate a qualified person – see **EOC Director–Evacuation Alert Checklist**
- Assume the Information Officer role or designate a qualified person – see **Information Officer–Evacuation Alert Checklist**
 - Activate / request personnel to provide information support
- Confirm with the Emergency Program Coordinator (EPC) there is a threat that warrants an evacuation alert for some or all of the community. Confirm the following:
 - Geographic areas(s) under threat
 - Information on the area under potential threat has been gathered
 - Potential evacuation routes
 - Consider evacuation decision triggers identified in the **Community Name Evacuation Plan Section 11.0**
 - Time required for actual evacuation, including any community members with medical and/or transportation needs for the area(s) under threat
 - Other response and support agencies, subject matter experts have been consulted and their recommendations have been considered
 - The **Community Name Emergency Plan** has been activated
 - EOC has been activated, and that it is located in a safe location that will not be compromised by the event or threat
 - Confirm activation level (1, 2 or 3)
 - The **Community Name Evacuation Plan** has been activated
 - If the recommendation for an Evacuation Alert should be accepted, modified, or dismissed
 - If the entire community is under threat, consider external EOC locations or virtual EOC support from other communities or agencies
 - Potential host communities and reception centre locations
 - Determine ESS support needs and confirm host availability
 - Evacuation support available from EMCR and how that works
 - Notifying ESS for a potential activation
 - Process for initiating an Evacuation Order
 - Potential resources to be requested from other communities and/or EMCR
 - Internal communications protocols to staff
 - External communications protocols to first responders and other support agencies
 - External communications protocols to general public
 - External communications protocols to media, traditional and social

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- Brief the Community Leadership and designated Community Spokesperson on the most current and critical situational awareness as it evolves
- Participate in any evacuation preparedness and planning activities as required
- Ensure that critical information is gathered and shared with Community Leadership and Community Members as appropriate
- Consider activating the **Evacuation Alert Audit** in **Appendix 4.3**
- Review the **CAO Evacuation Order Checklist** in **Appendix 4.1**
- Review the **Community Name Business Continuity Plan** with Community Leadership
- Confirm the EPC has activated the **Evacuation Alert Audit Checklist** in **Appendix 4.3**