

NEWS RELEASE

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Nanaimo Lakes Wildfire Update

As of Aug 7, 2018 at 6:30pm, the Nanaimo Lakes Wildfire is estimated to be 160 hectares with growth occurring north towards Barsby Lake and west towards Nanaimo Lakes. The fire is 10% contained but continues to be considered out of control. BC Wildfire Service crews will remain on the site overnight. This fire is now considered a Wildfire of Note, and more information will be provided as it becomes available on the BC Wildfire website which will be updated twice daily or as needed at: http://bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca/hprScripts/WildfireNews/OneFire.asp.

The evacuation order and alert issued by the Regional District of Nanaimo on August 6, 2018 remains unchanged. For more information, it can be viewed by <u>Clicking Here</u>. If there are questions regarding the order or alert people are recommended to call the EOC phone at 250-390-6538 after 8am tomorrow morning.

Traffic on Nanaimo River Road and Nanaimo Lakes Road is currently being stopped at South Forks Road in the direction heading to the fire (west). Residents living on Nanaimo River Road with proof of residency are permitted to enter and exit. This fire is not affecting any other roadways.