

72 HOUR EMERGENCY KIT

A 72 hour Emergency Kit is a collection of basic items your family may need in the event of an emergency. 72 hour kits should be easily accessible and include essential supplies for you and your family for at least 72 hours. Please see emergency kit checklist included in your Emergency Preparedness Flood Information package.

SANDBAGGING INFORMATION

The Regional District of Bulkley–Nechako (RDBN) may provide sand and sandbags to residents whose homes are under imminent threat from overland flooding.

For more information on how to request sand and sandbags, call:
1-800-320-3339 or visit www.rdbn.bc.ca/protectiveservices/

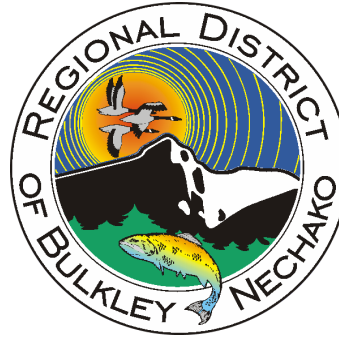
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information on advisories visit the River Forecast Center at:
www.bcrfc.env.gov.bc.ca/.

For more information on how to protect your home visit:
www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery.

**For additional information on
Emergency Preparedness,
contact the
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako**

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WHAT ARE ICE JAMS?

River ice jams can happen at any time. Ice jam floods can be unpredictable and potentially more destructive than open water flooding.

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (RDBN) continuously monitors ice jams situations as they occur. The RDBN issues public notices to residences who may be at risk of being affected by an ice jam.

Sand and Sandbags may be issued by the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako to residents whose homes are under imminent threat of ice jam flooding.

In winter and spring months, residents in low-lying areas are at a higher risk for ice jam flooding. Ice jams occur most frequently in spring, when ice melts and begins to break up; and early winter when freeze-up begins.

WHAT IS AN EVACUATION ALERT?

Due to the potential danger to life and health, the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako may issue an Evacuation Alert for your area.

Alerts are issued to prepare residents to evacuate their premises or property should it be found necessary. Residents will be given as much advance notice as possible prior to Evacuation Order; however, you may receive limited notice due to changing conditions.

Be prepared, be informed, and be aware!

WHAT IS AN EVACUATION ORDER?

Due to the immediate danger to life and health, the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako may issue an Evacuation Order for your area.

If an Evacuation Order is issued, you **MUST** leave the area immediately. Members of the RCMP or Search & Rescue will expedite this action. During an Evacuation Order, all minors must be evacuated.

During an Evacuation Order, you will not be permitted to return to your home until the Evacuation Order has been cancelled.

The Evacuation Order will have a map of the area being evacuated and the location of the Emergency Support Services Reception Centre.

TIPS TO PREPARE FOR AN ICE JAM

- Follow information on weather advisories from the River Forecast Center;
- have a plan and educate others;
- have access to a sump pump;
- know where to access and how to use sand and sandbags;
- know the risks associated with living in a flood plain;
- have a 72 Hour Emergency Kit available and easily accessible.

