

## OVERVIEW

### **Current Situation: Improving**

PECC Activated Level 1

Southeast PREOC Activated Level 1

Local Government EOCs: Activated Level 1

Weather conditions over most of the province for the past few days, have helped to keep the wildfires in check. In the past 24 hours, cooler temperatures and precipitation have dominated the weather patterns across most of the province. In the Southeast Region, there has been a significant improvement in the fire situation due to the favourable weather conditions. All evacuation orders have been rescinded effective 8 am this morning, and some of the evacuation alerts have also been cancelled. Highway 6, through the Springer Creek fire has re-opened this morning with some traffic controls. As a result of the improving conditions, all emergency operations centres are beginning to scale back operations.

Current information on wildfires can be found on Ministry of Forests Protection Program website at: <http://bcwildfire.ca/hprScripts/WildfireNews/Situation.asp>

## IMPACTS – RESPONSE

The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) issued a Declaration of State of Local Emergency on August 1st. **That Declaration has now expired. No Declaration of State of Local Emergency is currently in place.**

- **All Evacuation Orders have been rescinded.**
- **There are 51 homes on Evacuation Alert at this time.**
- **Highway 6 has reopened to 2 way traffic at Slocan Bluffs.**

**RDCK continues to work on recovery plans for the impacted areas. All SOC (satellite operations centres have been closed) and the EOC in Nelson is in the process of scaling back operations.**

**For specific information and maps on evacuation alerts associated with the fires, visit the Regional District of Central Kootenay website at:**

**<http://www.rdck.bc.ca/publicinfo/news.html?action=display&id=67>**

BC Ambulance is demobilizing its EOC in Nelson.

**BC Hydro reports that repairs to transmission lines damaged by fires have been completed and a plan to re-energize the lines is being developed.**

The Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) and MOFR Protection Branch are developing a plan to demobilize sprinkler protection units.

The SEA PREOC in Nelson and the PECC in Victoria remain activated at Level 1 for situation monitoring.

## OUTLOOK

A frontal system pushed across the province overnight bringing cooler temperatures and precipitation to most areas.

In the Southeast of the province cooler temperatures and showers are expected to continue through to Friday. Some areas in the upper Columbia Valley received significant precipitation yesterday, while areas in the very southeast corner of the province saw only light showers yesterday. As the weather forecasts are favourable for most of the province for the next 5 days, it is expected that the trend toward an improving situation will continue.

Due to the continuing improvement in public safety issues, this will be the **FINAL Situation Report** related to the current wildfire event.