



REGIONAL DISTRICT
of Fraser-Fort George

**MEDIA
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EVACUATION ALERT ISSUED FOR CHILAKO RIVER AREA

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George has issued an evacuation alert for 36 residences on parts of the Chilako River area. The alert area is shown on the attached map.

This is addition to the 40 residences put on evacuation order on April 23.

The alert has been issued as a result of flooding and high water in the area.

Those in the alert area are asked to prepare in the event that an evacuation is required and take precautions to help prevent damage to their home, property and their personal safety including:

- move equipment and farm implements to higher ground;
- make arrangements for pets and livestock to be moved to safe locations;
- gather important papers in water-tight containers and move valuables to alternate locations; and
- prepare a 72-hour personal survival kit for you and your family.

The public is reminded to exercise extreme caution near rivers and streams. High water-flows can cause bank erosion and instability, and currents in the river can be volatile and unpredictable. Please avoid all streams and water bodies with rising levels.

For more information on emergency preparedness visit the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George website at www.rdffg.bc.ca or call 1-800-667-1959

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