EVACUATION ALERT

Due to the risk of wildfire the Sunshine Coast Regional District is urging residents and visitors within the area described as Cecil Hill Road in Pender Harbour to be prepared to evacuate if ordered to do so by emergency officials. See attached map.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO WHEN AN EVACUATION ALERT IS IN EFFECT
You should be prepared for the evacuation order by:
1. Locating all family members or co-workers and designate a safe meeting place in the event that an evacuation order is called.
2. Gathering essential items such as medications, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), immediate care needs for dependants and, if you choose, keepsakes (photographs, etc.). Have these items readily available for a quick departure.
3. Consider moving any disabled persons and/or children to a safe area.
4. Moving pets and livestock to a safe area.
5. Arranging to transport household members or co-workers in the event of an evacuation order.
6. Arranging accommodation for your family if possible. In the event of an evacuation, emergency accommodation will be provided if required.
7. Monitoring media (SCRD Facebook, Twitter, www.scrd.ca and 91.7FM) for information on location of Reception Centres and status of evacuation orders.

IF YOU HAVE TO EVACUATE
1. Take an emergency survival kit with you.
2. Make sure you take prescription medicine and identification for the entire family.
3. Listen to the radio and follow instructions from local emergency officials.
4. If you are instructed to do so, shut off water, gas and electricity. Lock your home.
5. Make arrangements for your pets.
6. Wear clothes and shoes appropriate for the conditions.
7. Follow the routes specified by emergency officials. Don’t take shortcuts. A shortcut could take you to a blocked or dangerous area.
8. If you have time, leave a note telling others when you left and where you went. If you have a mailbox, you can leave the note there.
9. If you are evacuated, you will be asked to register with the local ESS emergency reception centre (to be determined at time of evacuation order).

EVERY ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO PROVIDE AS MUCH ADVANCED NOTICE AS POSSIBLE SHOULD EVACUATION BE REQUIRED. CALL 604-885-6800 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

Sunshine Coast Regional District Board Chair, Lori Pratt

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