

Helpful Links and Resources



Emergency
ManagementBC

Emergency and Preparedness Resources

- **Emergency event response and recovery information:** EmergencyInfoBC
Web: <https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/EmergencyInfoBC>
- **Disaster readiness for individuals and families:** PreparedBC
<http://preparedbc.ca>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/PreparedBC
Twitter: www.twitter.com/PreparedBC
- **Emergency preparedness:** Public Safety Canada
<https://www.getprepared.gc.ca>

Heat Response Resources

- **Weather alerts** - Environment and Climate Change Canada
https://weather.gc.ca/warnings/index_e.html?prov=bc
- **Heat warnings and cooling centres** - EmergencyInfoBC
Web: www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/EmergencyInfoBC>
- **Heat preparedness** - PreparedBC
Extreme Heat Preparedness Guide: www.preparedbc.ca/extremeheat
- **Heat and your health** - HealthLink BC
<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/more/health-features/beat-heat>
- **Understanding heat alerts** - BC Centre for Disease Control
www.bccdc.ca/extremeheat

Wildfire Resources

- **Current wildfires and wildfire preparedness in B.C.:** BC Wildfire Service
www.bcwildfire.ca
- **mobile app:** BC Wildfire Service
Apple (iOS), download directly from the App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bc-wildfire-service/id1477675008?ls=1>
Android, download directly from the Google Play Store:
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=ca.bc.gov.WildfireInformation&hl=en>
- **Open burning prohibitions:**
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status/fire-bans-and-restrictions>
- **FireSmart program:**
www.firesmartbc.ca
- **Wildfire smoke safety guidance:**
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/24855>

Emergency Management Support to First Nations

- **First Nations Emergency Services Society (FNESS)** is available to support community emergency preparedness and response.
 - FNESS can be contacted at [1-888-388-4431](tel:1-888-388-4431) or [250-377-7600](tel:250-377-7600)
<https://www.fness.bc.ca/core-programs/emergency-management>
 - emergency operations dashboard and resources:
<https://www.fness-eoc.ca/> and <https://www.fness.bc.ca/>
 - To access supports through First Nations Emergency Services Society, toll free within BC 1-888-822-3388, info@fness.bc.ca
- **First Nations Health Authority (FNHA):**

- programs and supports related to Health Emergency Management, please visit www.fnha.ca or email HEM@fnha.ca
- Mental Health, Wellness, and Cultural Supports: <https://www.fnha.ca/what-we-do/mental-wellness-and-substance-use/mental-health-and-wellness-supports>
- To report on incidents affecting health and wellness contact FNHA Quality Care and Safety Compliments and Complaints, toll free 1-844-935-1044, quality@fnha.ca
- **Indigenous Services Canada's Emergency Management Assistance Program** (EMAP) supports on-reserve emergency management contact 1-604-209-9709 or by email bcaandc.do@sac-isc.gc.ca

Travel Information

- **Highway and road closures:**
www.drivebc.ca
- **Road closures, parks and recreation, forest use, and tourist information:**
<https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/travel/>
- **Know Before you Go – ExploreBC:**
Accommodation, transportation, and experience-provider listings:
www.hellobc.com/book-your-bc-experience/
- **Key travel information, visit:**
www.hellobc.com/know-before-you-go

Resources for Evacuees

- **Online Evacuee Registration and Assistance (ERA):** Emergency Support Services
<https://ess.gov.bc.ca/>

- **Disaster Financial Assistance:**
<http://www.gov.bc.ca/disasterfinancialassistance>
- **Evacuation and Recovery guides and resources:**
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-management/preparedbc/evacuation-recovery>

Other Useful Contact Numbers

- **Report wildfire sightings or the presence of smoke** to BC's Wildfire Management Branch: [1-800-663-5555](tel:1-800-663-5555) or [*5555](tel:*5555) on most cellular phones.
- **For emergency response support** due to a wildfire, spring freshet, flooding or other emergency event, your first point of contact is EMBC: [1-800-663-3456](tel:1-800-663-3456). This connects to EMBC's 24/7 Emergency Coordination Centre.
- **If you are injured or experiencing a life-threatening incident**, you should immediately call [9-1-1](tel:9-1-1) or your local emergency number.
- **For current information on fire danger ratings, regional fire prohibitions and wildfire activity** call [1-888-336-7378](tel:1-888-336-7378) (3FOREST)