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Currently the Kalum and Skeena Rivers are stable and starting to drop. Water levels are rescinding in all areas. Monitoring will continue over the next 48 hours. If risk further reduces, we will evaluate the evacuation orders.

Our priority is to maintain public safety. We wish to respect the privacy of the homeowners that suffered property damage, therefore strict access control will be enforced.

The State of Local Emergency still exists in Area C. Door to door evacuation notification took place last night in Dutch Valley to advise the residents of the Evacuation Order in place in their community. The Community of New Remo and Old Remo remains under an Evacuation Order.

Should any residents require sandbags, these are available at the Thornhill Volunteer Fire Department 3128 Hwy 16 East.

## Specific instructions as follows:

Those individuals who may be evacuated or have been forced out due to flooding need to report to the Thornhill Community Centre at 3091 Century Street in Thornhill for registration and assistance. They can also be reached at 250-641-2443

The Regional District will provide updates on local radio stations, website at <a href="www.rdks.bc.ca">www.rdks.bc.ca</a> and social media pages as we receive them as well updates can be found on the Emergency Management BC website: <a href="https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/flood-warning-issued-for-stikine-river-and-tuya-river-june-2-2021/">https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/flood-warning-issued-for-stikine-river-and-tuya-river-june-2-2021/</a>

At this time residents and businesses in low-lying areas and areas which have experienced flooding in the past should take steps to flood proof their structures, including moving valuable items to higher ground, finding alternate locations for livestock, and finding alternate accommodations should the need for evacuation occur. Information regarding flood preparedness, including the proper methods of sandbagging can be found by visiting <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/floods">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/floods</a>

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