# John Brown Creek (Witset) Wildfire Information

RDKS continues to maintain the Evacuation Alert for wildfire R#31512 near Witset at John Brown Creek. Fire activity has been minimal over the past few days. Firefighters are continuing to assess the fire for direct attack. They are challenged by steep terrain and other geographical features. A heavy equipment team is part of the machine guard on the east side of the fire and fallers are working to connect it to natural features, such as creeks, in areas heavy equipment could not access. Two helicopters are providing bucketing support when required. Structure protection in Witset has been completed.

For the latest wildfire information, please visit the BC Wildfire Service online at: <u>BC Wildfire Service</u> (gov.bc.ca)

## **Emergency Management B.C.**

- The Province of BC has information for all residents on how to be prepared and stay safe during an event and recovery: <u>Get prepared for a wildfire</u>
- Emergency Management BC also has a <u>Wildfire Preparedness Guide</u> available online.

## **Emergency Support Services (RDKS)**

- If you are displaced from your home due to an emergency event, we are here to help.
- The 24-hour hotline is available by calling: 250-641-2443

### **Important terms:**

Here are some important terms to note in the event of a wildfire:

- Evacuation Alert: Be ready to leave on short notice
- Evacuation Order: You are at risk. Leave the area immediately
- Evacuation Rescinded: All is currently safe and you can return home

## **Regional District Contact**

Address: 4545 Lazelle Ave, Suite 300 Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Phone: 250-615-6100 Email: mnelson@rdks.bc.ca For more information on RDKS Fire preparedness, or general information, please visit our website at:

#### www.rdks.bc.ca