

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Fire near Extension in Electoral Area C in the Regional District of Nanaimo

BC Wildfire Service (BCWS), is responding to a wildfire (White Rapids - V71945) within the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) near Extension, in Electoral Area C. The BCWS, along with the Extension Volunteer Fire Department and the Cranberry Volunteer Fire Department, are working to bring the fire under control. To ensure the safety of the public and responders, please do not go to the affected area. At this time there are no reported homes or structures threatened.

For information on the fire and the BCWS-lead response, residents can visit the incident webpage or contact the BCWS directly at BCWS.COFCInformationOfficer@gov.bc.ca or 250-951-4209.

For further information on wildfires in British Columbia, residents can check the BC Wildfire Map or follow BC Wildfire Service on Facebook and X (formerly Twitter). For updates on fire weather and smoke across Canada visit firesmoke.ca/.

To learn more about the RDN emergency program, how to be prepared and to receive emergency alerts directly from the RDN signup for Voyent Alert visit: rdn.bc.ca/emergency-program

Wildfire safety reminders:

- It is likely smoke will be visible in surrounding areas. If it is smoky in your area, it is best to keep indoors and close your windows when possible.
- Avoid all areas near the wildfire, obey signage and give fire crews the space to work.
- The operation of any aircraft not associated with fire suppression activities (including drones and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) near a wildfire is illegal. It also poses a serious threat to the safety of firefighting personnel.
- If you detect a wildfire, call 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 from your cellphone. You can also report a wildfire via the free BC Wildfire Service mobile app.

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