



Village Of Fort Simpson
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The Village of Fort Simpson has issued an Evacuation Order.

The evacuation priority is the most at risk areas, i.e. Wild Rose. There are roadblocks posted at the Causeway (along Antoine Drive) and Wild Rose (Four Mile Access) to control traffic flow on the highway towards the ferry.

Please leave space along roadways for first responders frequenting the highway. The ferry will be operating 24/7 and will only be bringing people away from the community (no incoming traffic). There will be additional wait-times at roadblocks and ferry as we try to get everyone across in a safe and efficient manner.

We do not yet have a time of arrival for evacuation aircraft. If you plan to be evacuated by plane, please make your way to the Rec Centre for assignment to a manifest.

The destination for evacuation is Yellowknife, details will follow once the exact reception centre is confirmed.

You are responsible for your own safety on the highway – drive with caution and courtesy! Please ensure you have enough water, food, and fuel for yourself and your family. If you choose to stay in the community and do not evacuate – no resources will be allocated to you. Responders need to be able to focus on the incident at hand and will not be able to provide support to you if you remain in the community.

We understand that this situation is stressful, and it is important to remain calm and follow official instruction. We appreciate your continued patience through this difficult time.

Essential links:

Up to date fire information: <https://www.gov.nt.ca/ecc/services/wildfire-update/en/fire/fs016-26>

Evacuation registration: <https://www.gov.nt.ca/en/form/evac>

Mental health resources:

https://www.nthssa.ca/sites/nthssa/files/resources/dehcho_en_regional_mh_poster.pdf