



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT
REGIONAL DISTRICT

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Emergency Operations Centre Update - Wildfire Smoke Advisory -

The Alberni Clayoquot Regional District's **Level One Emergency Operations Centre** continues to provide support for the Forest Service in their response to the Dog Mountain Forest Fire at Sproat Lake.

The **declaration** to enable the evacuation of Dog Mountain including the cabins, cottages and the fire scene remains in effect. Citizens are asked to stay clear of the fire. Slopes and vegetation in the area of the fire are extremely unstable. Boat traffic on the lake is to keep clear of airborne fire fighting apparatus.

The Ministry of Environment in collaboration with Island Health has issued a **Wildfire Smoke Advisory** for the east and south coast of Vancouver Island from Campbell River to Victoria, including the Alberni Valley. This situation is expected to persist until meteorological conditions change.

Avoid strenuous outdoor activities. If you are experiencing any of the following symptoms, contact your health care provider: difficulty in breathing, chest pain or discomfort, and sudden onset of cough or irritation of airways. Exposure is particularly a concern for infants, the elderly and those who have underlying medical conditions such as diabetes, and lung or heart disease. For information on current air quality in or near your community please visit:

www.bcairquality.ca

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Information specific to the Dog Mountain Fire is available from the BC Wildfire Service website:

<http://bcwildfire.ca/hprscripts/wildfirenews/OneFire.asp?ID=543>

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