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Interior Health monitoring wildfire activity

IH-Wide – Interior Health is closely monitoring wildfire activity throughout the region.

Developing wildfires across B.C. are being monitored for threats to health facilities and services. While no Interior Health facilities are impacted at this time, we are working with our partners including BC Wildfire Service, Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, Health Emergency Management BC and municipalities, regional districts and Indigenous communities to ensure precautions are underway to protect patients, clients and residents.

When wildfires occur, Interior Health works to prepare community clients in the event of an evacuation. Additionally, we monitor any possible impacts to health care facilities to plan for the safety of patients, residents and staff.

As wildfire activity increases, everyone is reminded to prepare for the hot temperatures and smoky skies as air quality deteriorates by visiting: [Wildfires | Natural Disasters & Emergencies | IH \(interiorhealth.ca\)](#).

Install the BC Wildfire Service mobile app (Android or iOS) or visit the BC Wildfire Service Dashboard to find information on current wildfire activity: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status>

Notices on evacuation orders and alerts will come through your local municipality or regional district. Check your local municipal/regional district website for updates on potential impacts, including evacuation orders and alerts, related to wildfire activity.

The Environment and Climate Change Canada FireWork predictions system shows maps of predicted smoke impacts over the next 48 hours: <https://weather.gc.ca/firework/>

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