*** PLEASE SHARE ACROSS KINGS COUNTY ***

Table of Contents:

- Lake George Wildfire Status
- Financial Support for Evacuees of the Lake George Wildfire
- Situation Update Kings REMO/Canadian Red Cross/Salvation Army/Evacuation Map
- Precipitation Forecast Kings County
- State of Local Emergency
- Evacuation Alerts/Orders
- Road Closures
- Re-Entry Reminder
- Air Quality
- How you can support relief efforts

All,

As of Wednesday, October 8th,

- Lake George Wildfire
 - Classified as "Out of Control" by NS DNR, but reported as getting to the stage of "Being Held"
 - o Estimated Area: 288 hectares with no growth overnight
 - All homes around lake George have been evacuated as well as all homes on the west side of Aylesford Lake.
 - Evacuations remain the same and checkpoints are being staffed
 - No Structures have been lost to wildfire
- Information Updates will be posted to the Kings REMO Website: www.KingsREMO.ca

Financial Support for Evacuees of the Lake George Wildfire:

Reference: NS Government News Release, 2025-10-07

- A new emergency financial support program will help residents who have been evacuated because of the Lake George wildfire in Kings County. Applications open Wednesday, October 8.
- In keeping with the Long Lake wildfires in August, provincial support is available for Kings County residents displaced from their primary residence based on the number of days evacuated:
 - o four to seven days \$500 per adult (18 and older); \$200 per minor
 - eight to 14 days an additional \$500 per adult (18 and older); an additional \$200 per minor
 - 15 or more days an additional \$250 per week per adult (18 and older); an additional
 \$200 per minor.
- Funding will be available until the evacuation order is lifted or until the end of the wildfire season October 31, whichever comes first. The maximum amount of support is \$3,000 per adult and \$1,750 per minor. People who had to leave secondary homes such as cottages and camps do not qualify for funding.
- As of today, October 7, 353 properties have been evacuated. Given current wildfire activity, it is not known when residents will be able to go home.

Quick Facts:

- funding will be given to those with proof of residency within the evacuation zone area
- the program will help residents cover unexpected costs while they are displaced

- the funding is in addition to services and emergency accommodations already provided through the Canadian Red Cross and the Municipality of the County of Kings
- other supports to fight the wildfires have been provided through partnerships with the federal government and other provinces

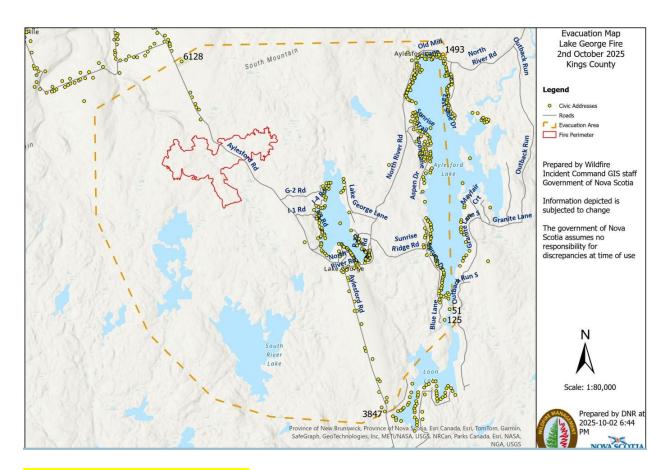
Situation Update

- The Kings County Emergency Coordination Centre is activated, and public inquiries can be called into the **Public Hotline: 902-690-6112**
- The Canadian Red Cross at the Louis Millett Centre in New Minas, has transitioned the site to a Registration and Reception Centre:
 - o Hours of Operation: 10:00-20:00, daily.
 - The shelter will remain on standby with supplies and personnel available.
 - Evacuee Registration:
 - Evacuees are encouraged to register in-person with the CRC Reception Centre
 - Phone Registration: Individuals impacted by the situation who wish to register by phone can call 1-800-863-6582. Please leave a message, and a volunteer based in Atlantic Canada—on standby to assist—will return your call from 8:00am to 10:00pm daily.
 - As of 10:30 approximately 205 households have registered and 391 individuals have registered at the CRC Reception Centre

Donations:

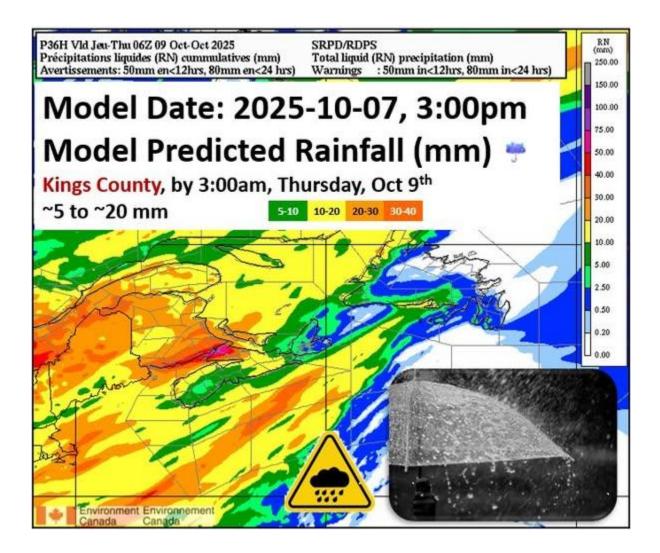
- The Canadian Red Cross is currently accepting donations of new, packaged food and household items at the Louis Millett Centre, located at 9489 Commercial Street, New Minas. Pre-packaged healthy snacks, water and juice boxes are also appreciated.
- Donation inquiries may be called into the 1-800 Canadian Red Cross number provided, but should not be delivered directly to the Incident Command Post at the Morristown Community Centre
- The Evacuation Map will be updated and posted to Kings REMO Website (<u>www.KingsREMO.ca</u> subject to any further updates by NS Department of Natural Resources)
 - 2025-10-03 [NS Department of Emergency Management]: "The current estimated size of the Lake George fire is 250 hectares. The active wildfire zone is shown on this updated map.

There is no change to the evacuation zone, which is larger than the fire zone to keep people safe in case the fire spreads quickly."



Precipitation Forecast – Kings County

- Rain forecast for Wednesday, Oct 8th, with no additional rain forecast through to Wednesday, Oct 15th
- Model Forecast Total Rainfall (mm) **
 Kings County
 By 3:00am Thursday, Oct 9th
 ~5 to ~20 mm



State of Local Emergency

- A State of Local Emergency was declared Monday, September 29th and will be in effect through to October 6th subject to a change in conditions for the wildfire.
- The State of Local Emergency was renewed Monday, October 6th and will be in effect through to Monday, October 13th

Evacuation Alerts/Orders:

- 2025-09-29, 6:00pm: Evacuation Order residents from the southern boundary of Lake George, to the Northern Boundary of Lake George to evacuate
- 2025-09-29, 8:59pm: Evacuation Order Update Old Mill Lane, southwest to Simpson Cove Lane
- 2025-09-29, 9:33pm: Evacuation Order Update Simpson Cove Rd to the south, along both sides of North River Rd, to Aylesford Lake Beach (580 North River Rd)
- 2025-09-30, 8:07am: Evacuation Alert Southwest of Aylesford Lake (Birch Lane, Spruce Drive and Blue Lane)
- 2025-10-01, 10:15am: Evacuation Order Update:

- 1. Aylesford Rd from (and including) Fox Mountain Campground to Civic 3847 Aylesford Rd
- 2. All civics on Spruce Dr, Birch Lane and Blue Lane
- 3. All civics between 5 North River Rd to 1493 North River Rd

Road Closures:

- Road closures expanded to support Evacuation Order Update:
 - On Aylesford Rd at the Fox Mountain Campground
 - Aylesford Rd at Civic 3847
 - North River Rd at Old Mill Lane

Re-Entry Reminder – Lake George Wildfire Evacuation Zone:

- Kings REMO is reminding all evacuees that the evacuation order remains in effect and that NO
 residents are permitted to re-enter the evacuation zone until it is declared safe to do so.
- Unauthorized re-entry not only places individuals at serious personal risk, but also endangers first responders, emergency crews, and wildfire operations working in the area.
- Security and law enforcement personnel are actively monitoring access points. Anyone found
 entering the evacuation area without authorization may be subject to removal or enforcement
 actions under the Nova Scotia Emergency Management Act.
- Re-entry will only occur when:
 - Fire and safety officials confirm that the area is safe;
 - Critical infrastructure (power, water, roads) is restored to a basic operational level; and
 - Health, safety, and environmental assessments have been completed.
- When re-entry is authorized, Kings REMO will issue an official notification through:
 - Alert Ready (cell phone and broadcast alerts)
 - o Kings REMO website (www.KingsREMO.ca) and social media
 - Municipal websites
 - Local media outlets
 - o Red Cross Registration notifications (for evacuees who registered at the Reception Centre)
- We understand the stress and uncertainty evacuees are facing. Please know that every effort is being made to restore access as soon as it is safe. Your cooperation is essential to ensuring the safety of your community and those working to protect it.

Air Quality:

- There is an Environment and Climate Change Canada <u>Special Air Quality Statement in effect for Kings County</u>
- The Air Quality Health Index is forecast to reach 7 in smoke Monday, October 6th in Kings County
- Wildfire Smoke and Your Health
 - As wildfires burn through forests and grasslands, they produce smoke. Smoke can be a major source of air pollution for people in Canada. Wildfire smoke may be carried thousands of kilometres from the fire zone. This means smoke can impact air quality in areas close to and far away from the wildfire.

Wildfire smoke can cause a variety of symptoms or health effects that can range in severity. Some symptoms or health effects are more common than others.

Learn more at: www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/publications/healthy-living/wildfire-smoke-health.html

How You Can Support Relief Efforts:

We know many community members are asking how they can help during this emergency. Your support means so much to evacuees, first responders, and all those working hard to keep Kings County safe. Here are some safe and effective ways to contribute:

Support evacuees directly through the Canadian Red Cross

The Canadian Red Cross is leading evacuee support at the Louis Millett Centre.

Help our firefighters and first responders

• Do not bring food or supplies directly to fire lines or stations. If you'd like to support, please connect with your local Fire Department or the Kings County Fire Service Association to see how donations (like gift cards for gas, meals, or groceries) can be pooled safely.

Back our community organizations

• Local service groups, churches, and community organizations are also stepping up to provide meals, temporary supports, and connection for evacuees. Consider contributing to these efforts.

Show moral support

• A simple "thank you," a supportive sign, or checking in on neighbours goes a long way to keeping spirits strong.

Stay safe and informed

• Please continue following official updates, respect evacuation orders, and wait for official notice before returning home.

Thank you, Kings County. Your offers of support show the strength and resilience of our community. Together, we will get through this.

www.KingsREMO.ca

Regards & Stay Safe
Dan



Dan Stovel

Regional Emergency Manag ement Coordinator (REMC)

p 902-670-1514

e REMO_KingsCounty@countyofkings.ca | @berwick.ca | @kentville.ca | @wolfville.ca www.KingsREMO.ca

If on Facebook: /REMOKingsCounty

If on X: Follow @REMO_KingsCty for further updates on Emergency Issues

If on Instagram: REMO_KingsCounty

*** PLEASE SHARE ACROSS KINGS COUNTY ***

Kings County Emergency Notification Emails

 For those wishing to receive future Emergency Notification emails for Kings County, please send an email to REMO_KingsCounty@countyofkings.ca
 Subject of Email: "Emergency Notification Emails"

If you wish to UNSUBSCRIBE to this Emergency Notification Email, please click on this LINK