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All,

As of Thursday, October 9th (11:00am),

- Lake George Wildfire
 - Classified as "Being Held" by NS DNR
 - 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.
 - Evacuation Order lifted
 - No Structures have been lost to wildfire
- Information Updates will be posted to the Kings REMO Website: www.KingsREMO.ca

Evacuee Re-Entry:

We are pleased to share the following re-entry information with you as you return to your homes.

• All residents evacuated because of the Lake George wildfire in Kings County will be able to return home today, Thursday, October 9.

Re-entry will be done in phases with designated checkpoints:

Phase 1:

- 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- → All civics on North River Road and Aylesford Lake
- Checkpoint: North River Road before Old Mill Lane
- → Residents of 5789–6128 Aylesford Road
- Checkpoint: Fox Mountain Campground

Phase 2:

- 12 p.m. 2 p.m.
- → All civics on Lake George and 3847–4955 Aylesford Road
- Checkpoint: North River Road before Old Mill Lane

Residents are reminded to:

- Bring ID to verify your address at the checkpoint
- Drive with caution fire crews may still be working in the area
- Monitor air quality and limit smoke exposure if sensitive
- Remain prepared to evacuate again if fire behaviour changes

• Follow updates posted to Kings REMO Website: www.KingsREMO.ca

Barricades will remain in place – re-entry is for residents only.

As of 2:00pm all areas are open with the exception of Aylesford Rd between G2 and civic
 5789, until further notice, for ongoing clean-up

A state of local emergency remains in place in the county.

⚠ The active wildfire zone also remains barricaded and only staff responding to the wildfire are permitted in this area. This includes Aylesford Road between G2 Road and 5789 Aylesford Rd.

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:

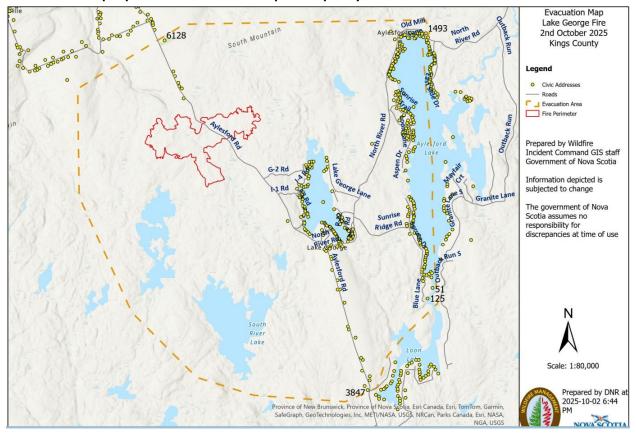
- funding will be given to those with proof of residency within the evacuation zone area
- the program will help residents cover unexpected costs while they are displaced
- the funding is in addition to services and emergency accommodations already provided through the Canadian Red Cross and the Municipality 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 is de-activating support and donations for evacuees are being moved to the Lake Paul/Lake George Community Centre:
- The Salvation Army is providing a final meal of support to evacuees at the Louis Millett Centre Thursday, Oct 9th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm
- 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)

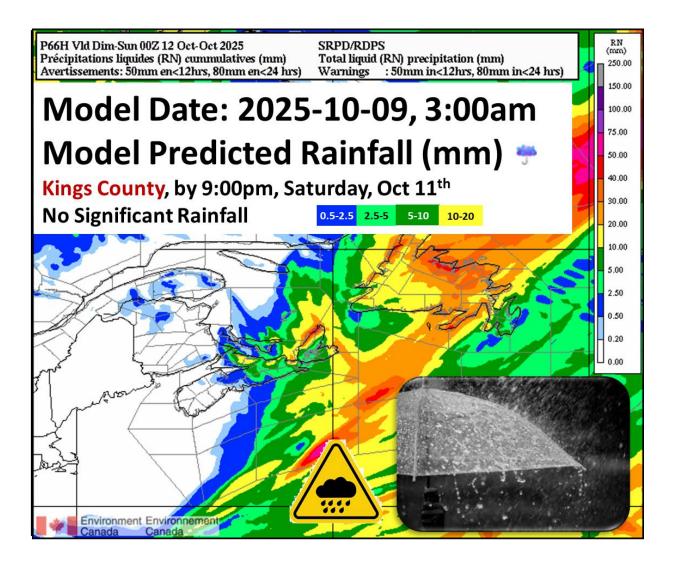
2025-10-03 [NS Department of Emergency Management]: "The current estimated size
of the Lake George fire is 250 hectares. The active wildfire zone is shown on this
updated map.

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

- No significant rain forecast through Friday, October 17th
- Model Forecast Total Rainfall (mm) **
 Kings County
 By 9:00pm Saturday, Oct 11th
 No Significant Rain



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
- 2025-10-09: Evacuation Order rescinded as of 10:00am with a phased re-entry for evacuees through until 2:00pm after which entry is open to all with the exception of a portion of Aylesford Rd (G2 to civic 5789)

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



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Kings County Emergency Notification Emails

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