# **WILDFIRES UPDATE**

### May 19, 2023

## **EVACUATION ALERT - FONTAS**

Fort Nelson First Nation's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) is closely monitoring wildfire events in the region. We are involved in daily meetings with the Provincial regional emergency operations center (PREOC), and our Emergency Plan is ready to implement as needed.

### WILDFIRE OF IMMEDIATE CONCERN

The Klua Lakes wildfire, which is named G90273, is <u>burning out of control</u> and has grown from an estimated 320 hectares earlier this week to over 18,000 hectares, this week.

This fire poses a threat to individuals living at Fontas, and our EOC advises residents to plan for evacuation. We are asking people to avoid visiting this area as it may pose risk to health and life.

This and other wildfires are currently burning 35 kilometers east of the community of Prophet River First Nation (PRFN), as well as a recent new fire to the west of Prophet River.

#### Wildfire Resources:

FNFN Website: http://www.fortnelsonfirstnation.org/wildfire-update FNFN EOC: 250-500-2656 NRRM Order: <u>northernrockies.ca/en/news/evacalertorderklualakes.aspx?</u> <u>fbclid=IwAR1Ab5hKfGghSrX3-obftE10Epos2SFnaoP2QDofGIjExg9CcXQbAhzRLaQ</u> BC Wildfires Map: <u>https: wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map</u> FireSmoke Canada <u>firesmoke.ca/</u> Wildfire Smoke 101 <u>rb.gy/irn1p</u> Register for Voyent Alerts: <u>https://voyent-alert.com/</u> Download BC Wildfires App: <u>https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/bc-wildfire-service/id1477675008</u>

