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### **UPDATE: Wildland fire along Highway 97 near Clerke Road**

(As of 2:30 a.m.) Emergency response continues to a large wildland fire along Highway 97 near Clerke Road, with a unified command from five regional fire departments, BC Wildfire Service, RCMP and BC Ambulance Service.

A tactical evacuation has taken place for residences along Clerke Road. The District of Coldstream has [announced](#) an Emergency Support Services (ESS) Centre has been set up at the District's Town Hall (9901 Kalamalka Road) for evacuees from Clerke Road.

Residences on Commonage Road have been placed under Evacuation Alert, between Allen Brooks Way and Bailey Road.

Residences on Kalamalka Lakeview Drive and Carriage Lane are now being placed on Evacuation Alert by RCMP, with police going door-to-door to notify residents.

The fire remains listed as out of control.

Highway 97 is closed in both directions between Clerke Road and Birnie Road. Motorists are asked to avoid traveling near the area.

More information will be provided as it becomes available.

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