



# PBCN-EOC Advisory

Issued on Wednesday, August 28th, 2024

## Full Evacuation Ordered for Southend Due to Wildfire Threat

Dear Members of Southend,

The Chief and Council of Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation have ordered a full evacuation of Southend due to the immediate threat posed by the approaching wildfire, located approximately 1 kilometer south of the Saskatchewan Highway's Camp. The fire is currently about 1 kilometer wide and has spread quickly due to strong winds.

**The highway is temporarily open for one-way traffic out of Southend only. Entry into Southend is restricted to essential services only.**

The safety and well-being of our community members are our highest priorities, and we ask everyone to follow the evacuation instructions carefully.

## EVACUATION INFORMATION (SOUTHEND MEMBERS)

- 1. Registration Required for Any Support Services:** All evacuees from Southend must register using the QR code provided by the Red Cross. It is highly recommended that you register before you leave Southend.



**Self-register with the  
Canadian Red Cross**



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## **2. Priority Evacuation for P1s and P2s:**

- P1s and P2s (Elders and individuals with high needs): Please proceed immediately to the Health Centre in Southend for registration and specialized assistance. Transportation and medical support will be arranged for those requiring urgent care or assistance.
- If you are a P1 or P2 evacuating in your own vehicle, you can obtain a fuel voucher at the Arthur Morin Memorial Health Centre in Southend, and gas up at Bird's Confectionary in Southend.
- Please drive to the Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre (JRMCC Hall, across the highway from the LLRIB Health Services building in Lac La Ronge.) There, you will receive lunch and further information on where to go next and any available resources, such as fuel.

## **3. General Evacuation Registration:**

- All other residents are required to go to the Band Hall in Southend, where you can register using a QR code provided by the Red Cross.
- If you are evacuating in a private vehicle, you can obtain a fuel voucher at the band office in Southend, and gas up at Bird's Confectionary in Southend.
- Please drive to the Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre (JRMCC Hall, across the highway from the LLRIB Health Services building in Lac La Ronge.) There, you will receive lunch and further information on where to go next and any available resources, such as fuel.

### **1. Pack the essential items, including:**

- Personal identification and important documents.
- Medications and necessary health supplies.
- Diapers, baby formula, food, and water for 2-3 days.
- Clothing and personal items needed for an extended stay.

### **2. Transportation and Shelter:**

- Arrangements are being made with the Canadian Red Cross for transportation and temporary shelter. Please follow the directions of emergency services and volunteers at the registration point in La Ronge.



**3. Stay Informed:**

- Continue to monitor official PBCN website and official Facebook page for further instructions.

\*\*\*If you choose to stay in Southend despite the evacuation order, you must go to the Band Office and sign a waiver indicating your decision to refuse evacuation.

We understand this is a challenging situation, and we appreciate your cooperation and preparedness.

**Contact # for Emergency Response Coordinator:**

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