



Saturday, December 21, 2024

Dear Residents of Lions Bay,

Recovery of Second Lions Bay Resident Following Devastating Debris Flow

The Village of Lions Bay is reporting the recovery of the second resident following the tragic debris flow event on December 14th, 2024, that swept a residence off its foundation, leaving two people missing.

Our hearts go out to the family and loved ones during this devastating time. Names of the individuals involved will now be released with the family's consent.

Lions Bay residents David and Barbara Enns have now both been found. David Enns was found on December 15th. Barbara Enns was found today, December 21st, following an intense coordinated and skilled search.

This is a profound loss for the family, friends, neighbours and all of the Village of Lions Bay residents. We join together in our sorrow and send our love to the Family.

The recovery was made possible through the tireless efforts of search and rescue teams, local volunteers, and emergency responders who have worked around the clock under challenging conditions. This has involved a Coordinated Emergency Team from Lions Bay, Metro Vancouver and the Province of BC including extensive personnel and equipment.

In the aftermath of this tragedy, the Village of Lions Bay has been working closely with provincial authorities and emergency services to ensure the safety and well-being of our residents. Resources, including counseling services and financial assistance, are being made available to those in need.

Debris Flow

The Battani Creek debris flow originated in Electoral Area A, just outside the northerly border of Lions Bay on Saturday, December 14th, 2024, and continues to be under investigation.

Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

The Emergency Operations Centre EOC in both the Klatt Emergency building and in a 'Remote Command' in the Brunswick area actively continued today.

Local State of Emergency

The State of Local Emergency declared last Sunday, December 15th, will continue until further notice to ensure ongoing access to needed resources and expertise. The assistance of geotechnical and structural engineers onsite daily.

Evacuation Order

Two homes on Goldenrod Avenue (#'s 1 & 2) remain under "Evacuation Order". The Incident Command Post will perform daily safety check-ins of the residents of Crystal Falls (#'s 1 & 14).

Evacuation Alert - Partial Rescind

The "Evacuation Alert" is partially rescinded by the Village of Lions Bay. Residents are advised that large woody debris in the Magnesia Creek channel upstream of Glendale Avenue bridge has been removed sufficiently to restore Channel capacity. The level of risk at the property associated with creek hazards is assessed to be similar as it was prior to the December 14th, 2024 landslide. Because of the changes noted above, the Evacuation Alert



area has been reduced and rescinded for the following properties: #51, 52, 53, 55 Brunswick Beach Road; Properties #57, 59 and 61 Brunswick Beach Road remain on Evacuation Alert.

We will provide further updates as new information becomes available.

Sincerely,

Ken Berry, Mayor
The Village of Lions Bay

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