

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

INFORMATION RELEASE

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Disaster Financial Assistance | Sandbags | Regional Update

The Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen Emergency Operations Centre (RDOS EOC) is reminding residents affected by flooding, Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) forms are available online:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/emergency-response-and-recovery/disaster-financial-assistance/forms-and-information>

DFA is offered by the Province of BC, and is limited to uninsurable losses. The deadline for application is August 22, 2018.

Eligibility: Flood (April 26, 2018 – May 24, 2018)

Okanagan Similkameen Regional District (including all electoral areas, municipalities and First Nation communities within the OSRD)

- Private sector damage must be from an event that is uninsurable, such as overland flooding.
- Insurable damages in the private sector from wildfires, earthquakes, snow load, wind storms, sewer or sump pit back-up, water entry from above ground (including roofs, windows or other areas of the building), are NOT eligible for DFA.
- Damages from certain landslides may be eligible, if it can be shown that the landslide is the direct result of heavy rainfall or other sudden catastrophic event, and not caused by pre-existing slope instability.

The EOC has distributed re-entry kits to residents who were under Evacuation Order. The kits include provincial DFA forms and other resource material.

If you have questions about DFA, please contact **Service BC**:

General: [1 800 663-7867](tel:18006637867)

Penticton: 250 487-4200 | 40 Calgary Avenue

Princeton: 250 295-4600 | 10 – 136 Tipton Avenue

Oliver: 250 498-3818 | Room 101, 583 Fairview Road

Sandbags

If you deem the risk is low enough, you can drop off sandbags at your local landfill (with the exception of Summerland due to an ongoing construction project.) Any sandbags that were put in place by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen will be removed and disposed of.

Community drop off locations for sandbags:

Osoyoos – Rural Osoyoos - Electoral Area “A”

Osoyoos & District Sanitary Landfill

Oliver – Rural Oliver - Electoral Area “C”

The Oliver Landfill

Willowbrook - Carr Cres. & Johnson Cres.

Twin Lakes – Electoral Area “D”

192 Twin Lakes Road

451 Eastview Road - Twin Lakes

Summerland

Stonor St. near the lake

Thornber St. near Landry Cres. Intersection

16997 Lakeshore Dr. North

Peach Orchard Beach Boat launch

Faulder – Electoral Area “F”

Community mail boxes

Keremeos – Rural Keremeos - Electoral Area “G”

1st Avenue at Highway 3 – Keremeos Irrigation Pump Station

5th and Main – Olalla

Naramata – Electoral Area “E”

Naramata Fire Hall

Princeton – Rural Princeton – Electoral Area “H”

2254 Princeton-Summerland Road – Erris Fire Department

Princeton Exhibition Grounds – outside fenced area

Tulameen Fire Hall

Strategic drop off locations (other than landfills) will be available until Sunday, July 1st, 2018.

Regional Update

State of Local Emergency

A State of Local Emergency remains in effect in the following areas:

Electoral Area "A"
Electoral Area "C"
Electoral Area "D"
Electoral Area "F"
Electoral Area "G"

Evacuation Order

An Evacuation Order remains in effect in the following areas:

Sportsmens Bowl – Electoral Area "C"
Green Mountain Road – Electoral Area "D"
Twin Lakes – Electoral Area "D"
Riverside Estates – Electoral Area "G"

Evacuation Alert

An Evacuation Alert remains in effect in the following areas:

Green Lake – Electoral Area "D"
Twin Lakes – Electoral Area "D"
1785 Princeton Summerland Road – Electoral Area "H"

Property owners are reminded not to dump sand or sandbags in water bodies including lakes, rivers, creeks and streams. When working around water, you must take care to minimize the potential risks to the environment. Please contact **FrontCounter BC** for more information: 1-877-855-3222 or visit: <http://www.frontcounterbc.gov.bc.ca/>

Issued by Director of RDOS Emergency Operations Centre

For more information visit the RDOS website www.rdos.bc.ca

RDOS EOC 250-490-4225

For after-hours emergencies, please call the Provincial Emergency Reporting Line at 1-800-663-3456.

Resources:

Cleaning Up After the Flood – General Information: Emergency Management BC (EMBC)

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/embc/flooding/flood_clean_up.pdf

Flooding Factsheet: Emergency Management BC (EMBC)

http://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/embc/fact-sheets/embc_factsheet_-_floods.pdf

Flood Clean-up - Physical, Microbiological, and Chemical Hazards: HealthLinkBC

<http://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthfiles/hfile20.stm>

Health and Safety after Flooding: Interior Health Authority

http://www.rdosmaps.bc.ca/min_bylaws/EOC/2018Flood/20180524_1500_PSA_IHA_After_Flooding.pdf

A Guide to Disaster Recovery: Province of BC

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/embc/preparedbc/one_step_at_a_time_guide_to_disaster_recovery.pdf

Local Authorities and First Nations Recovery Toolkit: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/local-government/local_authorities_and_first_nations_recovery-toolkit_march_2018.pdf

Disaster Financial Assistance: Province of BC

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/emergency-response-and-recovery/disaster-financial-assistance>

2018 Flooding Information: Emergency Info BC

<https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/>