

Tkemlúps te Secwépemc

(Kamloops Indian Band)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

Aug. 21, 2023

Tkemlúps te Secwépemc (TteS) Chief and Council are working with the City of Kamloops and the Thompson Nicola Regional District (TNRD) on the current emergency situations. Secwepemc Health Caucus is also coordinating how to support communities within Secwepemcúl'ecw.

TteS Chief and Council express much gratitude for all those who want to donate and volunteer to support those displaced from wildfires. **Currently, Tkemlups is not taking financial or physical donations.**

TteS encourages all those who have been evacuated to follow the orders from their First Nation, city, regional district and the Province of BC.

For all those who have been evacuated, please:

- Locate all family members and register at McArthur Island Park Reception Centre
- The TteS arbour is open for RVs and trailers. Evacuees are more than welcome to set up their trailers at the arbour and then proceed to register at MacArthur Island for updates and important information on resources available

TteS supports the Provincial State of Emergency order restricting non-essential use of temporary accommodations (hotels, motels, inns, bed and breakfasts, hostels, RV parks, and campgrounds). These restrictions will support access to accommodations for evacuees and personnel providing critical services and keep the roadways clear for emergency responders.

TteS Emergency Planning Coordinator is Shane Wardrobe who can be contacted at 236-597-9844.

Our prayers continue for all those who are impacted by these wildfires.

Knucwentwécw (helping one another collectively),

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc

Kukpi7 (Chief) Rosanne Casimir

On behalf of Council