



STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

Declaration of State of Local Emergency Order

Date: August 3rd, 2024
Instrument Number: [SOLE-001]

WHEREAS there is a wildfire within the jurisdiction of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen;

AND WHEREAS the wildfire poses an existing or imminent threat to people and property within the area known as Electoral Area "H";

AND WHEREAS prompt coordination of action or special regulation of persons or property is required to protect the health, safety, or well-being of persons or the safety of property or objects or sites of heritage value;

NOW THEREFORE:

I DECLARE, pursuant to Section 95 (1) of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* that a state of local emergency exists in Electoral Area "H" due to wildfire and the potential harm to persons and property.

Per Section 97 (1) of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*, the state of local emergency will remain in force for fourteen days, until the end of **August 16th, 2024** unless cancelled by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen or the Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness or extended by the Chair of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen with approval from the Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness.

"Mark Pendergraft"

Mark Pendergraft, Chair
Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

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Response Power Designation

Refer to Part 6, Division 4 of the [Emergency and Disaster Management Act \(EDMA\)](#) pertaining to Local Authority's Response Powers. Specifically **Section 107(1)** with direct parallel reference to Sections 75 except (1)(b)(iv), 76(1), 77(1) or (2), and 78. The designation power can be found in Section 19 of the Act whereby local authority can designate a member of the EOC to act on its behalf.

Response Powers	
Section 107(1)(a): Essential Matters	
Identify supplies, equipment, services, property or facilities, or a class of any of these as essential for the purpose of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish price controls Ration or provide for their distribution or use Provide for their restoration 	Powers Not Required
Authorize a qualified person to provide a service or give assistance	Any EOC Staff
Require a qualified person to provide a service or give assistance	Any EOC Staff
Provide for the provision and maintenance of necessities	EOC Director
Section 107(1)(b): Land and Other Property	
Appropriate, use, or control the use of any personal property	Incident Commander
Use or control the use of any land	Any EOC Staff
Authorize entry into structures or onto land to take emergency measures	Any EOC Staff
Authorize or require alterations, removal, or demolition of trees, crops, structures, or landscapes	EOC Director
Authorize or require the construction, alteration, removal, or demolition of works	Powers Not Required
Require structures to be assessed for damage	Incident Commander
Section 107(1)(c): Evacuation and Removals	
Require the evacuation of persons or authorize the evacuation of persons or animals	EOC Director
Authorize the removal of personal property from the area	Incident Commander
Section 107(1)(d): General Restrictions	
Control or prohibit travel to or from the area	Any EOC Staff
Control or prohibit business activities	Any EOC Staff
Control or prohibit events	Any EOC Staff
Require a person to stop doing an activity, or limit or place conditions on the activity	Powers Not Required