

## LITTLE RED RIVER CREE NATION

May 26, 2023

MEMO: Tours of Fox Lake for Evacuees

Fox Lake members are now invited to sign up for visual tours of their house sites and the community, beginning Monday morning. Members who have lost their homes will be given first priority for timeslots between May 29<sup>th</sup>-June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The tours will continue, providing conditions remain safe, until all residents have had the chance to see the community. Tours will be visual only, as it is still not safe for members to walk around the community or house sites due to hot spots as well as possible toxins and hazards in the areas that have been burned. There will be room for six to eight family members on each tour to accompany the homeowner. Childcare will be available from the Crisis Team at the barge landing. We ask that parents who will have children with them either bring someone to watch their children or leave them with the Crisis Team while they are in the community, as the tours may be traumatizing for children. We would also ask that all who participate in the tours be respectful of the recent BCR regarding sharing photos and videos on social media, as these images might be upsetting for other community members.

Each family will be accompanied by an Elder or Council member, a member of the LRRCN Crisis Team, and a healthcare worker for support. Families who have their own transportation can meet the vans and busses at the barge landing, but we ask that everyone sign up for a time slot ahead of time. Transportation will be arranged for those that need it from the evacuation centers. RCMP and Security will be in place in the community to assist, and Alberta Wildfire will advise as to the locations that are safe to travel through.

Each tour will begin at the barge landing with a prayer and smudge led by an Elder or Council member. Members will then cross the barge in a van or small bus. The families will be driven first to their house site so that they can view their home from the bus. They will then be driven on a loop of the community. All members will be asked to remain on the vans for the duration of the bus for the safety of all. The vans will then cross on the barge and the tour will conclude with a prayer and smudge.

Those that have lost their homes will be contacted by the Crisis Team to sign up for an early time slot if they wish. All other homeowners can contact Natalie Laboucan at <a href="mailto:nataliel@lrrcn.ab.ca">nataliel@lrrcn.ab.ca</a> or 780-247-0107 to sign up for a slot and let her know who will be accompanying you. A schedule of available slots is below. These tours are optional, members should prioritize their mental wellbeing when considering whether to sign up.

29-May	30-May	31-May	01-Jun	02-Jun	03-Jun	04-Jun	05-Jun	06-Jun	07-Jun
10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am	10:00am
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4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,	4 vans,
24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours	24 tours
First Opportunity: Members who have lost homes					Second Opportunity: All other Fox Lake Members				

Thank you,

LRRCN EMT