



Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue.

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Salt Spring Island Firefighters deploy to Williams Lake Wildfire

On July 28th, Salt Spring Island Fire Department sent two fire fighters to Williams Lake to help with the wildfire suppression efforts in the area. Fire fighters Jason Gaffney and Dustin Bean will be assisting in our reserve Fire Tender in the region. After a long week Firefighters Eric Taylor and Simon Wells will return to Salt Spring Island this weekend.

This is the third request from the Office of the Fire Commissioner to deploy fire fighters from Salt Spring Island, and we are proud to serve the people of British Columbia.

Conditions on Salt Spring Island are now ranked as Extreme. I encourage everyone to be extra careful in the fire season and to report any concerns to the fire department or through the 911 system. Working together to protect our island is our best answer for keeping Salt Spring Island safe.

It is not too late to *FireSmart* your home and property by ensuring you have a defensible space around your home. Information booklets are available at Hall #1, please come in and pick up a copy. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have to help keep your home safe and help you develop a family fire safety plan.

I will continue to provide updates on our member's progress as they develop. On behalf of the Board of Trustees and myself, I would like to thank our firefighters who protect Salt Spring Island every day, and to those that are assisting in the wildfire efforts in BC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arjuna George".

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