

# Lytton First Nation

## To all Lytton Community Members:

Chief and Council would like to take this time to address the Transportation Safety Boards (TSB) report concerning their own investigation into the fire that devastated our town and surrounding reserves. Lytton First Nation is extremely disappointed concerning the results of the investigation, and it's delivery. Preliminary observations indicate the report is flawed and inconclusive. Also, the decision to release this report, with absolutely no notice to Lytton First Nation leadership, so that we could communicate with the LFN membership, is inexcusable and disrespectful to everyone involved in this disaster. The TSB only further contributes to the detrimental trauma affecting our evacuees who have lost everything. We expect better coordination and communication from these governmental agencies, and this will definitely be addressed at the political level.

We would also like to take this opportunity to inform our community members that this is only one investigation that has been completed so far (Can be reopened later). It is important to recognize, that investigations are still in progress involving the RCMP and Wildfire BC. Chief and Council will be reaching out to these agencies proactively, to ensure respectful communication and notification practices are followed. These sensitive reports should be released with due notice to leadership, so as to ensure the necessary supports are in place for our community members.

Chief and Council understands our community members frustration and anger through this trying time. Members feeling overwhelmed, or require supports or information, are urged to call Lytton First Nation at 250-455-2304 or the LFN-EOC at 250-256-8167. Members who've lost homes can reach out to their local community liaison for assistance. We thank our community members for their patience and understanding through this ordeal and want to reaffirm our commitment to getting you home as soon as possible. Please take care of yourselves and one another.

Sincerely,  
Lytton First Nation Chief and Council



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