



## MESSAGE FROM MAYOR JOHN McEWEN

Wildfire V11470 in Belcarra Regional Park

Village of Anmore

August 7, 2026

“The Village of Anmore is grateful to the many people and organizations who supported our small team in ensuring the safety of our community over the past two days in relation to the fire in and near təmtəmíxʷtən/Belcarra Regional Park.

Our efforts would not have been possible without the support and assistance provided by the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, Metro Vancouver Regional District, the City of Port Moody, the RCMP personnel who assisted in a tactical evacuation of two homes, Coquitlam Search and Rescue, the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department and all fire and emergency response involved, as well as media outlets and everyone who helped us get the word out to people affected.

I’m also grateful to Acting Mayor Doug Richardson and the Village staff team at the Emergency Operations Centre who worked to ensure our residents had the information they need to be safe and ready to evacuate if needed.

And to the people of Anmore – we saw you supporting neighbours; we noted that many of you were already signed up for Alertable, and several more residents signed up yesterday. Well done!

I’m always concerned for the well-being of everyone in the Village, and as an owner of one of the 35 properties affected by the evacuation alert, I really understand how this wildfire event affected our neighbourhood. It also reinforced the importance of communicating, and I’m proud of the work that was done by our staff and the other agencies involved to get information out as quickly as possible.

Since this was our first event of this scale, we’ve observed areas for enhancement. We’ll explore these areas and potentially implement adjustments as we move forward.

Village staff will continue to provide updates at **anmore.com** and the Village of Anmore Facebook page. I also encourage all Anmore residents to sign up for emergency alerts at **anmore.com/alertable.**”

John McEwen  
Mayor, Village of Anmore