



August 9, 2021

## **FIRE BAN REMAINS IN EFFECT**

Even with the precipitation received over the weekend, the fire danger rating has not improved enough to lift the **Fire Ban**. Hot and dry conditions are forecasted for the rest of the week, and as such a **Fire Ban** remains in effect with respect to all open fires within our municipal boundaries. If a fire ignites in these conditions, it has the potential to spread very quickly.

Under the **Fire Ban**, all active fire/burn permits are cancelled, and no new permits will be issued until conditions warrant. Burning of any kind is prohibited, including recreational fires (campfires, backyard fire pits and outdoor fireplaces), burning in a burn barrel or incinerator, charcoal briquette BBQs, yard debris, etc. Fireworks and exploding targets are also prohibited.

Propane or natural gas appliances (i.e., barbeques, stoves, heaters and portable firepits), for the purpose of heating or cooking are allowed, but must be CSA approved or UL certified.

Burning or lighting a fire during a **Fire Ban** is illegal, and fines or cost of response could apply.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the Emergency Services Department at 403-625-3351. Please click on the links provided for the M.D. of Willow Creek Fire Bylaw ([Bylaw No. 1776](#)); and the M.D. of Willow Creek Fire Ban and Fire Permit Policy ([Policy No. 230-01](#)).