



For Immediate Release

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Subject: Fire Ban in Effect

Effective immediately, July 9, 2018, the Township of Minden Hills has issued a complete Fire Ban. Dry conditions, high heat, and the lack of forecasted precipitation has led to an extreme fire risk. The Fire Ban applies to all outdoor burning, including campfires, agricultural burns and brush pile burns.

The Fire Ban is issued for all surrounding municipalities within the County of Haliburton.

These conditions are anticipated to continue until a significant amount of rainfall has been received.

Staff will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.

Daytime burn permits will not be issued until further notice. Any fire permits previously issued are no longer valid.

Please be aware that any spark could cause a fire – be vigilant with discarding cigarette butts, matches and other items that can cause a spark and/or fire.

There are no exceptions for cooking or warmth unless preparing your meal on a propane barbeque. Fireworks, flying lanterns, contained fires or open flames are considered open air burning and are prohibited during a Fire Ban.

Individuals found burning during a Fire Ban may be subject to fines as identified in the Fees and Charges By-law 18-62.

Please check the local newspapers, radio stations the [Township of Minden Hills website link - www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca) for updates, notices and current information.

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