



Situation Update #9, May 22, 2024 3:00 p.m.

Weather:

- Weather conditions have been favourable recently and are considered to be favourable for the next few days.
- 6 millimetres of rain was received yesterday; however, this has not positively affected drought conditions and fires are still burning with hotspots; conditions continue to remain unseasonably dry.
- Warming and drying patterns are now considered seasonal, and are expected to last into the weekend.

Wildfire Updates:

- Overall, fire suppression efforts on the Parker Lake wildfire remain favourable and the fire continues to be classified as out of control; forest fuels remain dry and areas are burning hot.
- Overall, the Holdover Patry Creek wildfire does not pose an immediate threat to Fort Nelson, but this fire continues to be classified as out of control, and conditions can rapidly change if the area receives strong northerly winds and continuous dry conditions

For more information, please click the following links which will take you the BC Wildfire Service website for the identified wildfires: [Parker Lake](#) [Patry Creek](#)

Security Measures:

- Roadblocks remain in place on Highway 97 north and south of Fort Nelson; entry into the area is by permit only. The NRRM has implemented Pilot Cars at checkpoints into the community.
- RCMP staff continue to assist with road checks and are continuing 24-hour community patrols. The RCMP are conducting speeding checks along the highway and are reminding permitted entry persons to reduce speed when passing by crews working in the area.
- Highway 77 remains closed, and the public will need to plan a different travel route.

Evacuee Emergency Support Services (ESS):

If you are receiving supports by e-transfer and you have not received payment yet, please call 1-844-537-7377 for support.

Re-entry Planning:

If you require transportation back to the community, please contact communications@northernrockies.ca or phone 250-500-3308. Provide your name, phone number, location, how many family members or pets you have with you, whether you have accessibility needs, and if you are a FNFN member. The deadline to register for transportation through the NRRM is May 23, 2024.

Please note: The May 23, 2024, transportation deadline is for planning purposes only and does not imply the Evacuation Order will be lifted by that date.

We understand that many members and residents are eager to return to FNFN and the town of Fort Nelson. However, we want to reiterate that the safety of our residents is of utmost concern. We ask everyone to please continue respecting the Evacuation Order. The wildfire situation in the Fort Nelson area is dynamic and can change very quickly.

To contact our FNFN EOC please call 250-775-0716, or email communications@fnfnation.ca