

Prevention, Risk Mitigation and Fire Bans

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What is the SPSA?

Saskatchewan's wildfire management
and emergency management agency

Office of the Fire Commissioner

We provide or support public safety
services for and with the people,
municipalities, Indigenous peoples,
public safety service providers and the
Government of Saskatchewan



Fire Prevention and Risk Mitigation

- The SPSA, municipalities and first responders can work together to prevent and reduce the impacts of wildfire.
- The SPSA has several risk mitigation measures in place and resources available should fire risks be realized.

Air Filtration Units

- The SPSA has deployed air filtration units to communities for many years.
- Permanent installation of approximately 30 units will start in the fall and a deployable cache of 16 units is already available.



Weather Stations

- The SPSA uses weather stations throughout the province to monitor temperature, dew point, humidity, rain fall, soil moisture, wind direction and wind speed.
- Additional installations will ensure the southern portion of the province has access to this information, just as northern municipalities do.



Controlled Burn Line



Fire Ban Review

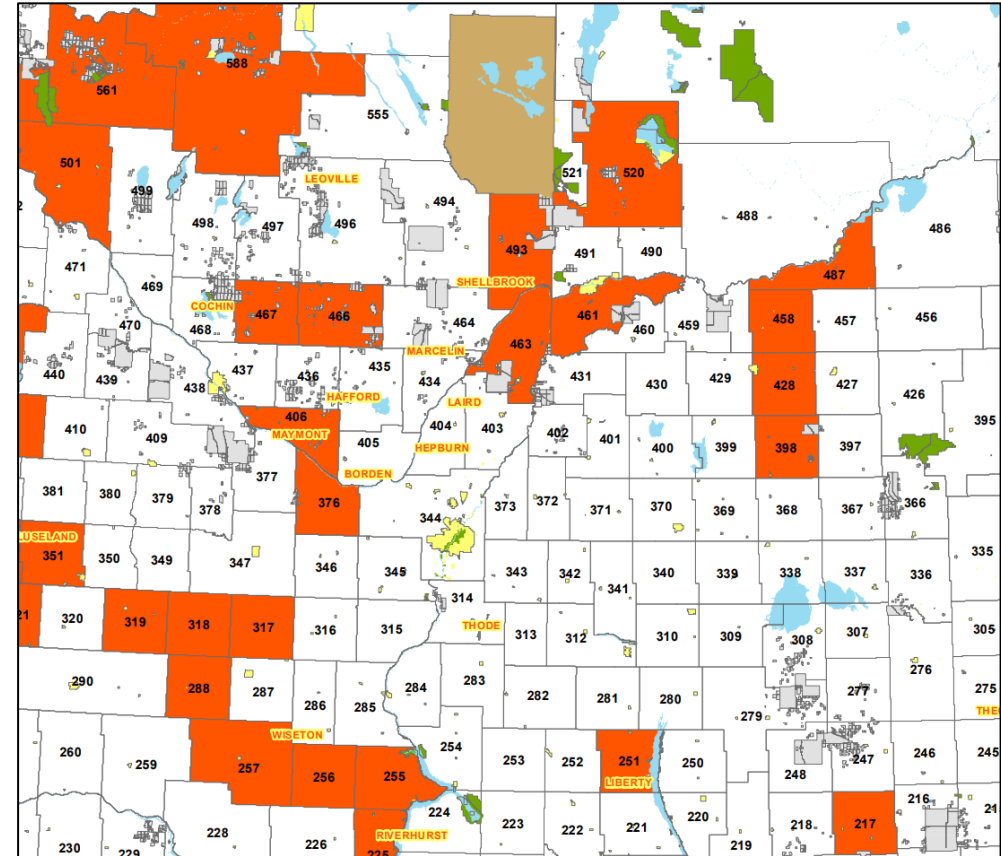
- The SPSA conducted a review of Fire Ban processes and bylaws in 2020/21.

Concerns we've heard

- Potential insurance issues when fire bans are implemented
- Enforcement and collection of fines
- Internet connectivity

Fire Ban Responsibility

- The Province has the authority to ban fires in a provincial forest, park land, vacant Crown land and every quarter section of land within 4.5 km of the boundaries of a provincial forest and every RM.



Fire Ban Proposal

The SPSA recommends that all municipalities have a current fire restriction/ban bylaw in place.

We can work together to
protect each other.

Questions?