

City of Maple Ridge News Release

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Fire Ban Lifted in Maple Ridge

Maple Ridge, BC: The fire ban on outdoor burning within the permitted areas of Maple Ridge was lifted as of 4:00 pm, September 11, 2018. This follows the change in weather and forecasted cooler temperatures and continued precipitation in Maple Ridge which has reduced the forest fire threat considerably.

Our removal of the fire ban is consistent with the BC Wildfire Service's similar action in the Coastal Fire Centre's jurisdiction. As of 4:00 pm on Tuesday, September 11, only residents in the "open to burning" area of the City of Maple Ridge will once again be allowed recreational fires as per the Maple Ridge Outdoor Burning Regulation By-law No. 4111-1998.

To determine if you live within the open to burning area, you can refer to the City's Ridgeview Mapping located at *gis.mapleridge.ca/Closedtobackyardburning/ClosedtoBackyardBurning.html*

Thank you for continuing to do your part in keeping our community safe. If you require any additional information please contact Fire Chief Howard Exner at <u>hexner@mapleridge.ca</u> or by calling 604-463-5880.

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