



Wildfire bulletin #4

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Government of Yukon issues fire ban for Southern Yukon and the Robert Campbell Highway area

Effective immediately, the Government of Yukon has implemented a ban on all open fires within the Fire Management Areas of Whitehorse, Teslin, Haines Junction, Ross River, and Watson Lake (see attached map).

This ban applies to all open fires, including campfires and fireworks. You can still use Government of Yukon campground fireplaces, stoves or other facilities provided for the purpose of having a fire. You may also use closed cooking tools such as covered barbeques and small cook stoves.

Wildland Fire Management officials will be monitoring for open fires to ensure the ban is being respected. Individuals not respecting this ban may be subject to prosecution.

For more information, please contact Yukon Wildland Fire Management at (867) 456-3845. The public is asked to report suspicious smoke immediately by calling 1-888-798-FIRE.

Officials with Wildland Fire Management note that this spring's extended dry period, combined with current dry weather conditions, has resulted in extreme fire conditions. While we expect weather conditions to bring cooler and wetter conditions, an extended period of precipitation is required to address the current dry conditions and reduce the threat of wildfires in Yukon.

For current fire updates, follow Yukon Protective Services on Facebook and Twitter, or visit <https://www.yukon.ca/emergencies>.

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