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SUBJECT: Burn Permits Suspended Until Further Notice

Minden Hills, June 18, 2020 - The current risk of wildfire is high within our Township. As a wildfire prevention measure, all burn permits issued within the Township of Minden Hills are suspended immediately and new permits will not be issued until further notice.

Day Time Burning is prohibited, until further notice.

The public is reminded to never leave an outdoor fire unattended and always extinguish it before leaving.

Anyone using an ATV should stay on developed trails, stop frequently to check areas around the engine and exhaust for debris, and carefully dispose of any debris caught in equipment. A small shovel, axe and fire extinguisher should be carried on ATVs at all times.

The Minden Hills Fire Department also requests the public's assistance to support these prevention measures, and to report any wildfires or suspicious activity by calling 911, immediately.

Burn Permits are required to burn approved materials between the hours of 7:00 A.M and 7:00 P.M. starting April 1st to October 31st as per By-law 19-57 for the Regulating of Open Air Fires. No person shall start a fire, outdoors, for burning untreated wood products, leaves and brush during the hours of 0700 am to 0700 pm without a permit. Any person that sets a fire within that restricted time without a permit shall be responsible for all fees, fines and costs incurred by the Fire Department.

For more information please visit www.mindenhills.ca for accurate updates, the Minden Hills Fire Department will continue to monitor the fire hazard and post updates, as required. Information on fire intensity codes and wildfires can be found at www.ontario.ca.

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