



Edmonton

Emergency Management Agency Update - Verbal Report

May 8, 2023, Emergency Advisory Committee

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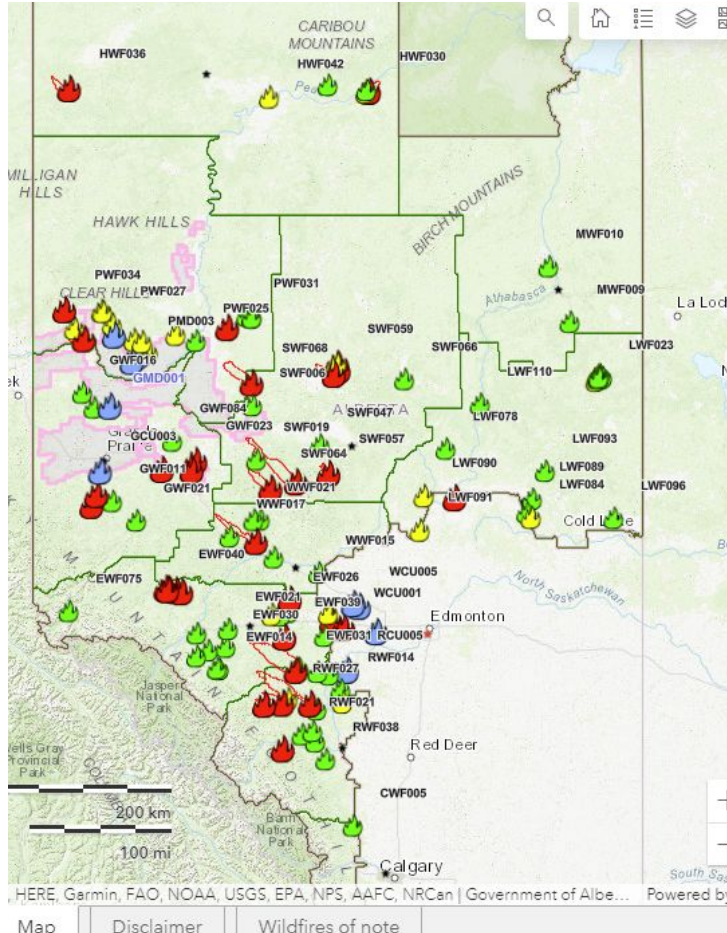


Update

- Overview of provincial wildfire situation
- Update on actions taken by Edmonton
- Other EOC activations



Provincial Wildfire Situation



- 105 wildfires burning
- Evacuation orders in place for 29,000 people
- Eleven states of local emergency, two Band Council resolutions of emergency



Provincial Declaration of Emergency

- A legal mechanism under the Emergency Management Act
- Declared by Cabinet
- In effect for 28 days
- Grants additional authorities

Emergency Management Act authorities

- Implement or require an emergency plan
- Acquire or use property to alleviate emergency
- Require people to render aid
- Control or prohibit travel
- Restore facilities, distribute supplies for essential services
- Order evacuations
- Enter buildings or land
- Demolish or remove trees
- Procure or fix prices
- Conscript people to provide services

Update on Actions Taken by Edmonton

- Actions to reduce fire risk
 - Fire ban declared
 - Enforcement activity prioritized
- Actions to support regional partners
- Actions to support people who have been evacuated

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- Actions to reduce fire risk
- Actions to support regional partners
 - Parkland County response - May 4th -7th
 - Strathcona County response - May 5th - 6th
 - Yellowhead County response - Ongoing
- Actions to support people who have been evacuated

Update on Actions Taken by Edmonton

- Actions to reduce fire risk
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- Actions to support people who have been evacuated
 - Expo Centre/ Emergency Support Response Team
 - Recreation centre

Evacuation Centre Services

- Registration for individuals and pets
- Essential supplies – clothing, bedding, toiletries
- Meals
- Lodging, if necessary
- Activities for children
- Temporary pet care
- Red Cross, AHS
- Insurance companies



Donations

At this time, the City of Edmonton is not equipped to accept donations from the public at the Reception Centre at the Edmonton Expo Centre.

- Anyone looking to provide donations for displaced animals can do so at the Edmonton Humane Society (3620 163 Street NW.) Donations will be accepted between 9am and 7pm, seven days a week.
- Red Cross donations welcome
- Edmonton Food Bank donations welcome

Emergency Operations Centre and Incident Command Centre activations



Financial Cost Tracking

- Financial cost tracking will be necessary to recover costs through a Disaster Recovery Program (DRP)
- Financial processes in place early to ensure all costs for the City are tracked
- Work with City partners to ensure their costs are captured for recovery (EPS/Explore Edmonton)

Timeline

May 2	Edmonton fire ban
May 4	Fire staff/equipment deployed to Parkland County/Entwistle and Strathcona County
	Overnight: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expo Centre opens / ESRT support• Rapid deployment from order at 02:15 to activation at 04:50
May 5	Premier activates Emergency Management Cabinet Committee
May 6	Alberta declares state of emergency
May 8	Emergency Advisory Committee

State of Local Emergency

- A motion at the Emergency Advisory Committee
- In effect for 7 days
- Grants authorities to the Emergency Management Agency



Questions?

