



COVID-19 Update
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Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization (PCREMO) continues monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and providing daily updates.

Forest Protection Area Fire Ban and OHV Restriction:

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry has introduced plans to reduce spring wildfires, including invoking fire bans, implementing off-highway vehicle restrictions. All fire permits are suspended or cancelled within the Forest Protection area. Some allowances can be made for essential agricultural and industrial burning, but will need to be approved by a forest officer.

Prohibited

- Safe wood campfires on public lands.
- Safe wood campfires on private land and provincial campgrounds.
- Backyard firepits, and
- Barbeques with charcoal briquettes.
- OHVs on public land for recreational use.

Allowed

- Propane / natural gas powered appliances
- Open flame CSA approved oil devices
- Wood fires in an enclosed facility or device, which have a chimney with a spark arrestor
- OHVs for commercial/industrial use, agricultural use, and traditional use by Indigenous peoples, as well as use on private lands.

Continue to follow recommended practices and behaviors for the mutual benefit of the entire community. Please ensure you are receiving your information from trusted sources. For the latest information for Albertans on COVID-19, including updates on government actions, visit alberta.ca/covid19/

If you feel a group or business is not abiding by the current rules, you can submit a complaint to AHS and a public health inspector will look into it. Visit this site to submit a complaint:
<https://ephisahs.microsoftportals.com/create-case/>