

Wildland Fire – May 20th, 2021

Update #23

The Province of Manitoba has instituted a complete travel ban, which is effective immediately, please review the Provincial website for further details.

The RM of Piney remains under a State of Local Emergency and Council has issued a complete burn ban. No burning of any solid fuel is permitted; this includes campfires, burn barrels and outdoor stoves. Only propane barbeques and propane fire pits are permitted.

The wildland fire is now contained, with only a few hot spots remaining to action. The weather conditions are favourable; with rain forecasted for the next few days. Crews continue to work hot spots and have started to clean up equipment stationed throughout the fire area. Manitoba crews will continue to monitor the fire for the next few days.

The Sandilands Main Market Road was opened the morning of May 20th, 2021. Road 21n west of the Sandilands Main Market remains closed as a result of damage to the road. Fire crews continue to utilize both of these roads for access to the burn area; the traveling public is reminded to drive with caution while within the area.

The RM of Piney will utilize our E-Newsletter to provide regular updates. Go to the RM of Piney website at www.rmofpiney.mb.ca to subscribe to the E-Newsletter. We encourage those not using Facebook to subscribe to our E-Newsletter. The RM also regularly updates the municipal information line at 204-437-2845.

Communication throughout the fire with Manitoba Conservation and Climate has been exceptional. Our community extends a great deal of appreciation to those involved in the fire. A special thanks is extended to our volunteer fire fighters, support workers and fire attack crews which dedicated time and energy to keep our communities safe. Thank you.

The wildland fire updates will no longer be provided once a day. The RM will provide another update May 26th, 2021 at 11:00am, unless there is a change in the risk to the public.