

<b>Request for Council's Consideration</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Included on Agenda</b> (Notice of Motion given January 9, 2024)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Added Item</b> (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Request from the Floor</b>
<b>Date of Council Meeting: February 6, 2024</b>		
<b>Subject:</b> Wildland Urban Interface Preparedness Strategies Report		
<b>Motion for Council to Consider:</b>  THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to consider the information contained in the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPOP) report and the RCMP Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) report when preparing the staff report with respect to Wildland Urban interface Preparedness Strategies.		
<b>Reason:</b>  As HRM staff continue to compile documents necessary to appropriately assess the administrative and legislative response to Nova Scotia's largest mass evacuation of people in recent history, it is incumbent upon decision makers to ensure all information is scoured for gaps in process, resources, and legislation to ensure a better and more effective response to emergencies in the future. The Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP) Act provides a formal process to obtain access to records under the control of the provincial government. In response to a formal request, documents were released by the province, which contain important information for the municipality to include with HRM's Wildland Urban Interface Preparedness Strategies Report.  In addition, the Government of Canada's Access to Information and Privacy Act (ATIP) aims to enhance the accountability and transparency of federal institutions to promote an open and democratic society and to enable public debate on the conduct of those institutions. Documents released by the Government of Canada's Access to Information and Privacy Branch include important communications between police, provincial and municipal staff and emergency management leaders on the fire investigation, resources available to emergency personnel, the evacuate process over 16,000 people, and more vital information for HRM staff to assess in making policy decisions to better prepare for the next disaster.		
<b>Outcome Sought:</b> Inclusion and consideration of provincial FOIPOP and federal ATIP reports within HRM's Wildland Urban Interface Preparedness Strategies Report.		
Moved by  <i>Councillor Pam Lovelace</i>	<i>District</i>  13	



- people should not operate drones over a forest fire; drones can interfere with the suppression effort and pose a danger to aircraft and first responders
- people should only call 911 if their health or safety is threatened and they need immediate help; for non-emergencies in HRM related to the police, people can call 902-490-5016

Additional Resources:

More information and ongoing updates related to the wildfires is available at:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnovascotia.ca%2Falerts%2F&data=05%7C01%7CPatricia.Jreige%40novascotia.ca%7C2b27cbbc6f4392ba3008db605cc243%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638209724260216191%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=dyA19CAxyyS3cOR4qvOW%2BAnrOL1%2BunRVF%2FzM2h0rooI%3D&reserved=0>

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Media Contact: Patricia Jreige  
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\*\*end of message\*\*

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Tue, 30 May 2023 17:55:48 +0000  
**To:** chris.marshall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H;Solomon, Reuben X;Rudderham, Jim  
**Subject:** FW: Global News request

Hi Chris, wanted to bring this to your attention. Global news informed us [redacted] who posted drone footage of the Barrington fire. You can see the link below. [redacted]

[redacted]

Thanks  
Patricia

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**From:** Rockwood, David T <David.Rockwood@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 2:50 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Global News request

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 1:58 PM  
**To:** Rockwood, David T <David.Rockwood@novascotia.ca>  
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THank you David.

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Dave

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:47 PM  
**To:** Rockwood, David T <David.Rockwood@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Global News request

Hi David, [redacted] IT was taken by a [redacted] and posted here:

[redacted]

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Thanks  
Patricia

**From:** [20(1)]@globalnews.ca  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:42 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Global News request

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Hi Patricia,

I hope you're doing well and keeping safe. [20(1)] here from Global News. I'm working on a news story about the wildfires across the province. I've been in touch with someone over social media who says [20(1)] on the Barrington Lake fire. He posted drone footage over the fire he says he captured (as well as other images of the fire). I understand flying a drone over an active wildfire is illegal, but I wanted to know if someone from DNR knows whether he had permission to film this - so it could be something we could use. We wouldn't air it if he didn't have permission. I'm not sure if this is something DNR would know. Below is a link to the drone footage.

<https://www.facebook.com/conway.hutt/posts/pfbid02Xjo6uA78iFwLimRgs3ucsfEXjyxEvXH8Rcgd5et8thUHjPjBPLFXAXe4ebhsvuefl>

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[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

Please let me know if you know whether this is drone operator had permission or if there is someone else I should reach out to.

Thank you,

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Tue, 30 May 2023 19:06:21 +0000  
**To:** warren.macleod@municipalityofshelburne.ca  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** Stats on Shelburne wildfire

Hi Warren,

As requested here are the latest stats on the wildfire in Shelburne:

- 11,510 hectares, and remains out of control
- 50 DNRR staff, 40 volunteer firefighters, 4 helicopters on scene
- various evacuations, but details of those should be provided by the RCMP.

We expect another update tomorrow morning.

**From:** MacDougall, Heather  
**Sent:** Wed, 31 May 2023 14:51:01 +0000  
**To:** Gatien, Karen M;Geddes, Peter;Poirier, Adele;Delorey, Steven J  
**Subject:** FW:

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**From:** Poirier, Adele  
**Sent:** Wed, 31 May 2023 18:11:21 +0000  
**To:** DNRR\_All  
**Subject:** FW: NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

Hello everyone...

Here's another update in the wildfire work...

-----Original Message-----

From: CNS Release <release@gov.ns.ca>  
 Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 3:08 PM  
 To: Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>  
 Subject: NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

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 To help avoid any new wildfires, the Province is increasing the fine for breaking the provincewide burn ban to \$25,000.

"We need all Nova Scotians to take the wildfire situation as seriously as we are. We are still finding cases of illegal burning, and it has to stop," said Tory Rushton, Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables. "We're taking every measure to prevent new fires from starting. All Nova Scotians need to do their part - follow the burn ban, stay out of the woods and help keep your families and communities safe."

The fine, which is set in the Forest Fire Protection Regulations, had been \$237.50. Penalties are levied through summary offence tickets issued by police, conservation or other law enforcement officers. The burn ban is in place until June 25 or until conditions allow it to be lifted.

The increased fine does not apply to the ban on entering the woods. The fine for violating that ban is \$237.50.

While most provincial and municipal parks remain open, wooded areas are off limits, so provincial parks that are primarily trails are closed. A list follows this release and information is being added to the website:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fparks.novascotia.ca%2F&data=05%7C01%7CKaren.Gatien%40novascotia.ca%7C00d62ed0ac6242388cdd08db62027010%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638211534867861503%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2FmjBETrA3e4AO%2FhHJVMajeyHMIjfaBxSrtx7%2BK%2FM5g%3D&reserved=0> .

Department of Natural Resources and Renewables shooting ranges are also closed.

Additional Resources:

Burn restrictions:

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Restrictions on entering the woods:

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More information and updates related to wildfires:

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Media Contact: Wildfire Media Relations  
Cell: 902-220-8621  
Email: [wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca](mailto:wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca)

The following provincial parks are closed:

- Cape Chignecto, Cumberland County
- Cape Split, Kings County
- Card Lake, Lunenburg County
- Central Groove, Digby County
- Chebogue Meadows, Yarmouth County
- Cole Harbour-Heritage Park, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Dalem Lake, Cape Breton Regional Municipality
- Herring Cove, Halifax Regional Municipality
- MacCormacks, Victoria County
- McNabs and Lawlor Islands, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Mickey Hill, Annapolis County
- Sackville Lakes, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Second Peninsula, Lunenburg County
- Taylor Head, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Uisge Ban Falls, Victoria County

\*\*end of message\*\*

**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Wed, 31 May 2023 18:17:12 +0000  
**To:** Crichton, Hayley;Skinner, Tina M  
**Subject:** FW: Authorities for Wildfire Violations  
**Attachments:** May 2023 Travel Restriction Zone Proclamation 2023 v2.pdf, FINAL Fire Ban Parks Proclamation May 2023 v2 Province Wide.pdf

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(3) Notice of any proclamation issued pursuant to this Act shall be given in such manner as the Minister deems will give the most prompt and adequate publicity.

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(4) A forest travel permit may be cancelled or suspended at any time by the Minister, a conservation officer or other person authorized by the Minister. *R.S., c. 179, s. 25.*

Please distribute to police agencies and pass along my contact information to Chiefs should they require further information.

Thank you.



**Orlando B. Fraser**

Director, Conservation Officer Service  
Department of Natural Resources and Renewables

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## FIRE PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS** Section 25(1) of the *Forests Act*, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 179, authorizes the Minister of the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables, whenever the Minister deems it necessary for the protection of the woods, to designate by Proclamation a restricted travel zone in any area of woods upon which no person shall enter for the purpose of travelling, camping, fishing or picnicking, or any other purpose, without a valid travel permit issued by the Minister, a conservation officer or other person authorized by the Minister, during the period specified in the Proclamation;

**AND WHEREAS** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables now deems it necessary for the protection of the woods to make such a Proclamation;

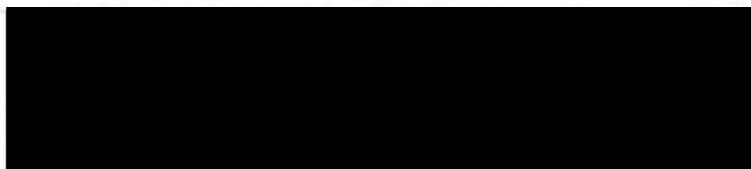
**NOW KNOW** that the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables, pursuant to Section 25(1) of the *Forests Act*, does hereby prohibit entry into the woods for the purposes of travelling, camping, fishing or picnicking, or any other purpose, without a valid travel permit in all counties in Nova Scotia;

**THIS PROCLAMATION** shall be effective at 4:00PM on May 30, 2023, and ending at 2:00 PM on June 25, 2023, unless and until this Proclamation is revoked by further notice. 

**ANY PERSON** who contravenes this Proclamation may be liable to prosecution by virtue of the provisions of the *Forests Act*.

**DATED** at Halifax, in the County of Halifax, on May 30, 2023.

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PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA**



**HONOURABLE TORY RUSHTON  
MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND  
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**AND WHEREAS** the *Forests Act* defines “woods” as forest land and rock barren, brush land, dry marsh, bog and muskeg, and “forest land” as land bearing forest growth or land from which the forest has been removed but which shows surface evidence of past forest occupation and is not now in other use;

**AND WHEREAS** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables now deems it necessary for the protection of the woods to make such a proclamation;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables, under subsection 24(1) of the *Forests Act*, prohibits the setting of fires for any purposes in woods or within one thousand feet of woods in all counties in Nova Scotia, during a period to commence at 10:00 AM on May 29, 2023 and ending at 2:00 PM on June 25, 2023, unless and until:

- (a) the Minister announces a particular day to be a burn day or a restricted burn day as set out under Section 5 of the *Forest Fire Protection Regulations*; or
- (b) this Proclamation is revoked by further notice.

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**To:** HDIV\_CrimOps\_Reviewers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Subject:** FW: Authorities for Wildfire Violations  
**Attachments:** Travel Restriction Proclamation May 2023 v2.pdf, Fire Ban Proclamation May 2023 Province Wide.pdf

Resending with final proclamations. I recalled first message, so please disregard if you had previously opened. Thanks.

Good afternoon Cpl Dan Smith,

Please see information I have provided to DOJ for distribution. Please note the highlighted and red font areas. Please reach out if you would like further information.

Thanks,  
Orlando

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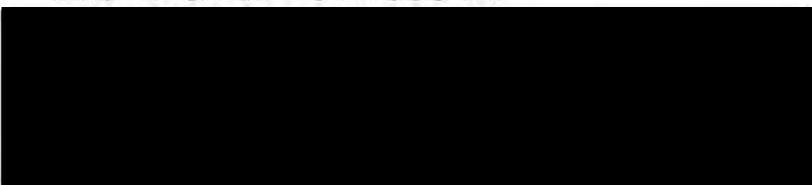
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**DATED** at Halifax, in the County of Halifax, on May 30, 2023.

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**HONOURABLE TORY RUSHTON  
MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND  
RENEWABLES**

**FIRE PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** subsection 24(1) of the *Forests Act*, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 179, authorizes the Minister of the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables, whenever the Minister deems it necessary for the protection of the woods to, by proclamation, prohibit the setting of fires for any purpose in woods or within one thousand feet of woods in all counties in Nova Scotia during the period specified in the proclamation;

**AND WHEREAS** the *Forests Act* defines “woods” as forest land and rock barren, brush land, dry marsh, bog and muskeg, and “forest land” as land bearing forest growth or land from which the forest has been removed but which shows surface evidence of past forest occupation and is not now in other use;

**AND WHEREAS** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables now deems it necessary for the protection of the woods to make such a proclamation;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables, under subsection 24(1) of the *Forests Act*, prohibits the setting of fires for any purposes in woods or within one thousand feet of woods in all counties in Nova Scotia, during a period to commence at 10:00 AM on May 29, 2023 and ending at 2:00 PM on June 25, 2023, unless and until:

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**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Wed, 31 May 2023 19:07:31 +0000  
**To:** HDIV\_CrimOps\_Reviewers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Subject:** FW: Authorities for Wildfire Violations  
**Attachments:** Travel Restriction Proclamation May 2023 v2.pdf, Fire Ban Proclamation May 2023 Province Wide.pdf, 2023-094.pdf, FW: NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

Resending with final proclamations, SOT schedule update and supporting press release. I recalled first message, so please disregard if you had previously opened. Thanks.

Good afternoon Cpl Dan Smith,

Please see information I have provided to DOJ for distribution. Please note the highlighted and red font areas. Please reach out if you would like further information.

Thanks,  
Orlando

**NOVA SCOTIA**



**Orlando B. Fraser**

Director, Conservation Officer Service  
Department of Natural Resources and Renewables

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☎ (902) 679-6176

✉ [orlando.fraser@novascotia.ca](mailto:orlando.fraser@novascotia.ca)

☎ Toll Free: 1-800-565-2224 to Report Violations or

✉ Email: [reportapoacher@novascotia.ca](mailto:reportapoacher@novascotia.ca)

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**From:** Fraser, Orlando

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2023 3:17 PM

**To:** Crichton, Hayley <Hayley.Crichton@novascotia.ca>; Skinner, Tina M <Tina.Skinner@novascotia.ca>

**Subject:** FW: Authorities for Wildfire Violations

Good afternoon,

I was asked to reach out and provide information on the current fire proclamations made pursuant to the Forests Act. There are police agencies inquiring.

First, I attached the current proclamations in effect, one for a fire ban and the other for travel restrictions.

Our Conservation Officer Service is taking a zero-tolerance approach on violations of these proclamations. We are using the following charge sections under the Forests Act:

Igniting fire in woods or within 1000 ft. of woods when fire proclamation is in effect	24(2)	\$237.5 0
Entering woods without forest travel permit when travel proclamation is in effect	25(1 )	\$180.0 0

The Premier just announced a \$25,000 fine for failing to comply with the fire ban. I'm awaiting on the process as I believe the SOT Summary is being amended to reflect.

From the Forests Act

**Fire proclamation**

24 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Minister may, whenever the Minister deems it necessary for the protection of woods, by proclamation, prohibit the setting of fires for any purpose in woods or within one thousand feet of woods in any part or parts of the Province during the period specified in the proclamation.

(2) Where a proclamation is made pursuant to subsection (1), no person shall ignite or cause to be ignited a fire in the woods or within one thousand feet of woods in a part or parts of the Province during the period specified in the proclamation.

(3) Notice of any proclamation issued pursuant to this Act shall be given in such manner as the Minister deems will give the most prompt and adequate publicity.

(4) A copy of any newspaper containing the proclamation shall be evidence in court of the publication and the content of the proclamation without further proof of the matter. *R.S., c. 179, s. 24 .*

### Restricted travel zone

25 (1) Whenever deemed necessary for the protection of the woods, the Minister may at any time by proclamation set aside for any period of time a restricted travel zone in any area of woods upon which no person shall enter for the purpose of travelling, camping, fishing or picnicking, or any other purpose, without a travel permit.

(2) A travel permit may be issued by the Minister, a conservation officer or other person authorized by the Minister.

(3) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to the owner or occupier of woods or the servants, agents or assigns thereof, conservation officers, surveyors and any other person designated from time to time by order of the Minister.

(4) A forest travel permit may be cancelled or suspended at any time by the Minister, a conservation officer or other person authorized by the Minister. *R.S., c. 179, s. 25.*

Please distribute to police agencies and pass along my contact information to Chiefs should they require further information.

Thank you.

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**Orlando B. Fraser**

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## **FIRE PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** Section 25(1) of the *Forests Act*, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 179, authorizes the Minister of the Department of Natural Resources and Renewables, whenever the Minister deems it necessary for the protection of the woods, to designate by Proclamation a restricted travel zone in any area of woods upon which no person shall enter for the purpose of travelling, camping, fishing or picnicking, or any other purpose, without a valid travel permit issued by the Minister, a conservation officer or other person authorized by the Minister, during the period specified in the Proclamation;

**AND WHEREAS** the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables now deems it necessary for the protection of the woods to make such a Proclamation;

**NOW KNOW** that the Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables, pursuant to Section 25(1) of the *Forests Act*, does hereby prohibit entry into the woods for the purposes of travelling, camping, fishing or picnicking, or any other purpose, without a valid travel permit in all counties in Nova Scotia;

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MINISTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
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N.S. Regulations 94/2023  
**FILED**  
Date May 31, 2023  
RACHEL L. JONES  
REGISTRAR OF REGULATIONS

**Order**

**Made under Section 8 of Chapter 450  
of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989,  
the *Summary Proceedings Act***

I, Brad Johns, Attorney General and Minister of Justice for the Province of Nova Scotia, pursuant to Section 8 of Chapter 450 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989, the *Summary Proceedings Act*, effective on and after the date of this order, hereby

- (a) amend Schedule 12 to the *Summary Offence Tickets Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 281/2011, made by order of the Attorney General and Minister of Justice dated October 4, 2011, respecting the designation of certain offences under the *Forests Act* as summary offence ticket offences, in the manner set forth in the attached Schedule "A"; and
- (b) order and direct that the penalty to be entered on a summons in respect of an offence set out in amendments to the schedules to the *Summary Offence Tickets Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 281/2011, as set forth in the attached Schedule "A", is the out-of-court settlement amount listed in the out-of-court settlement column set out opposite the description for the offence, and includes the charge provided for in, and in accordance with, Sections 8 and 9 of the Act.

Dated and made May 31, 2023, at Halifax, Halifax Regional Municipality,  
Province of Nova Scotia.

  
Honourable Brad Johns  
Attorney General and Minister of Justice

**Schedule “A”**

**Amendment to the *Summary Offence Tickets Regulations*  
made by the Attorney General and Minister of Justice pursuant to Section 8  
of Chapter 450 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1989,  
the *Summary Proceedings Act***

Schedule 12 to the *Summary Offence Tickets Regulations*, N.S. Reg. 281/2011, made by order of the Attorney General and Minister of Justice dated October 4, 2011, is amended by striking out “\$237.50” in the out-of-court settlement column in item 8 and substituting “\$28 872.50”.

**From:** Poirier, Adele  
**Sent:** Wed, 31 May 2023 18:11:21 +0000  
**To:** DNRR\_All  
**Subject:** FW: NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

Hello everyone...

Here's another update in the wildfire work...

-----Original Message-----

From: CNS Release <release@gov.ns.ca>  
 Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2023 3:08 PM  
 To: Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>  
 Subject: NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

NATURAL RESOURCES/RENEWABLES--Increased Fine for Breaking Burn Ban

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 To help avoid any new wildfires, the Province is increasing the fine for breaking the provincewide burn ban to \$25,000.

"We need all Nova Scotians to take the wildfire situation as seriously as we are. We are still finding cases of illegal burning, and it has to stop," said Tory Rushton, Minister of Natural Resources and Renewables. "We're taking every measure to prevent new fires from starting. All Nova Scotians need to do their part - follow the burn ban, stay out of the woods and help keep your families and communities safe."

The fine, which is set in the Forest Fire Protection Regulations, had been \$237.50. Penalties are levied through summary offence tickets issued by police, conservation or other law enforcement officers. The burn ban is in place until June 25 or until conditions allow it to be lifted.

The increased fine does not apply to the ban on entering the woods. The fine for violating that ban is \$237.50.

While most provincial and municipal parks remain open, wooded areas are off limits, so provincial parks that are primarily trails are closed. A list follows this release and information is being added to the website:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fparks.novascotia.ca%2F&data=05%7C01%7COrlando.Fraser%40novascotia.ca%7C00d62ed0ac6242388cdd08db62027010%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638211534869237776%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rUIT5gLtd2dFnTsnQf%2FCWp%2F2SAVMLCD3YxT0TvrDeIM%3D&reserved=0> .

Department of Natural Resources and Renewables shooting ranges are also closed.

Additional Resources:

Burn restrictions:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnovascotia.ca%2Fburnsafe%2F&data=05%7C01%7COrlando.Fraser%40novascotia.ca%7C00d62ed0ac6242388cdd08db62027010%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638211534869237776%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=MMqUjHmDf4%2Bc7rxSx1PbWyV7q33VyiQJLO80eqcldf4%3D&reserved=0>

Restrictions on entering the woods:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnovascotia.ca%2Fnews%2Frelease%2F%3Fid%3D20230530003&data=05%7C01%7COrlando.Fraser%40novascotia.ca%7C00d62ed0ac6242388cdd08db62027010%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638211534869237776%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=MMqUjHmDf4%2Bc7rxSx1PbWyV7q33VyiQJLO80eqcldf4%3D&reserved=0>

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More information and updates related to wildfires:

<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnovascotia.ca%2Falerts&data=05%7C01%7COrlando.Fraser%40novascotia.ca%7C00d62ed0ac6242388cdd08db62027010%7C8eb23313ce754345a56a297a2412b4db%7C0%7C0%7C638211534869237776%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IklhaWwiLCJXVC16Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iT%2B6zGtgjknv9L9YtQBudsICLJFOEd65Q4jtEae9k%3D&reserved=0>

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Media Contact: Wildfire Media Relations  
Cell: 902-220-8621  
Email: [wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca](mailto:wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca)

The following provincial parks are closed:

- Cape Chignecto, Cumberland County
- Cape Split, Kings County
- Card Lake, Lunenburg County
- Central Groove, Digby County
- Chebogue Meadows, Yarmouth County
- Cole Harbour-Heritage Park, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Dalem Lake, Cape Breton Regional Municipality
- Herring Cove, Halifax Regional Municipality
- MacCormacks, Victoria County
- McNabs and Lawlor Islands, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Mickey Hill, Annapolis County
- Sackville Lakes, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Second Peninsula, Lunenburg County
- Taylor Head, Halifax Regional Municipality
- Uisge Ban Falls, Victoria County

\*\*end of message\*\*

**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Thu, 1 Jun 2023 00:10:17 +0000  
**To:** MacInnis, Marla J; Geddes, Peter  
**Subject:** Re: Media Inquiry: Violations

You're welcome. I would not have accurate numbers at this time as not all charges may be entered into our occurrence tracking system. However, there have been several. This is the same messaging I provided today to CNS.

Orlando

**From:** MacInnis, Marla J <Marla.MacInnis@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:07:05 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Orlando <Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Media Inquiry: Violations

Thanks for this Orlando. Are you able to tell me how many tickets your team has issued? I'll direct the reporter to police as well for their numbers as well.

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**From:** Fraser, Orlando <Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:04 PM  
**To:** MacInnis, Marla J <Marla.MacInnis@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: Media Inquiry: Violations

Good evening Marla,

I'm the Director of the Conservation Officer Service and my team are the lead for law enforcement of the Forest Act. I can tell you that we have ticketed individuals for violating the ban. Police also have authority to enforce the Forests Act, but I do not have access to those statistics. Please contact police for their statistics.  
Thank you.  
Orlando

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**From:** MacInnis, Marla J <Marla.MacInnis@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2023 8:48:21 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Orlando <Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Media Inquiry: Violations

Hi Orlando and Peter,

We have a media inquiry wondering if we've ticketed anyone for violating the fire ban. Is that something either of you would know? Or is that a question for law enforcement?

Thanks,

Marla

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**Marla MacInnis**

*Manager, Media Relations*

**Province of Nova Scotia**

t: 902-499-6428 | e: [marla.macinnis@novascotia.ca](mailto:marla.macinnis@novascotia.ca)

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 1 Jun 2023 19:34:26 +0000  
**To:** Fairbairn, Heather J;Errington, Lori A;EMO Provincial Coordination Centre  
 NS;wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** RE: NBC News Inquiry

Hi [20(1)]

Questions about evacuations should be directed to the RCMP. In addition, questions about structural damage are best answered by the affected municipalities, as they will have the most recent numbers.

Our latest update indicated 15 wildfires in the province, with four out of control.

Thank you  
 Patricia

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**From:** [20(1)] NBCUniversal [20(1)]@nbcuni.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2023 5:20 PM  
**To:** Emergency Management Office <EMO@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** @NBC Uni NY Bureaudek <nybureaudek@nbcuni.com>  
**Subject:** NBC News Inquiry

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Good afternoon –

Reaching out from NBC News in New York.

We have a few quick follow up questions for you following the premier's presser –

1. Do you know about how many people are currently under an evacuation order? And do you have a figure for how many individuals have evacuated at this point?
2. How many structures or buildings have been affected or burned in the wildfire?
3. And just triple confirming: there are currently fourteen fires in Nova Scotia, three of which are out of control?

Thank you very much in advance.

[20(1)]

NBC News NY Bureau

Bureau: 212-664-5900 | Cell: [20(1)]

**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Fri, 2 Jun 2023 09:20:33 +0000  
**To:** Gatién, Karen M  
**Subject:** Fwd: 16  
**Attachments:** 2023-094.pdf

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Fri, 2 Jun 2023 13:42:24 +0000  
**To:** [redacted]@cbc.ca [redacted]@cbc.ca  
**Cc:** wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent media request - CBC National News

Hi [redacted]

The wildfire in Barrington is being investigated, and the investigation is ongoing. Our investigation team is made up of DNR officials, enforcement conservation officers, municipal officials and any other technical experts that may be needed. Any arrests that may happen as a result of our (DNR) investigation would be done by the RCMP.

Thank you,  
Patricia

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**From:** [redacted]@cbc.ca>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 2, 2023 10:24 AM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; [redacted]@cbc.ca>  
**Subject:** Urgent media request - CBC National News

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Hi there,

I'm a reporter with the CBC National News.

We've heard credible reports that there have been arrests in regards to the ignition of the Barrington Lake fire. RCMP says it's DNR that's responsible for these files.

What can you tell me about these arrests?

Thank you,

[redacted]  
CBC News  
[redacted]

**From:** wildfirecomms  
**Sent:** Mon, 5 Jun 2023 13:21:00 +0000  
**To:** [20(1)] wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** RE: Information request Radio-Canada

Good morning [20(1)]

Questions about evacuees are best directed to the RCMP, who are leading that effort.

Thank you,  
Patricia

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**From:** [20(1)]@radio-canada.ca  
**Sent:** Monday, June 5, 2023 10:09 AM  
**To:** wildfirecomms <wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Information request Radio-Canada

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Hello,

I am wondering if it's possible to have an update on the number of residents/houses evacuated in Shelburne County since the beginning of the forest fires? And how many residents have been able to return home since?

Thanks,

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CBC/Radio-Canada

165, rue Main, bureau 15, Moncton N.-B. E1C 1B8

**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Mon, 5 Jun 2023 15:54:08 +0000  
**To:** Tremblay, Guillaume  
**Subject:** RE: Info for fire investigation

Thanks so much I've been working with Corporal Dave Toope with Barrington. Keep me posted on any other findings.

*Wela'lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

**KARA L. MCCURDY**  
**WILDFIRE PREVENTION OFFICER**  
**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND RENEWABLES**  
**23 CREIGHTON RD., SHUBENACADIE, NS**  
**B0N2H0**  
**902-758-5099**  
[kara.mccurdy@novascotia.ca](mailto:kara.mccurdy@novascotia.ca)



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**From:** Tremblay, Guillaume <[guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 5, 2023 12:50 PM  
**To:** McCurdy, Kara <[Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca](mailto:Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Info for fire investigation

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Hi Kara,

As discussed, below in the e-mail thread I've included screenshots of social media messaging received on our RCMP NS facebook account.

Take care,

Gui

Corporal Guillaume Tremblay | Caporal Guillaume Tremblay  
Halifax District Public Information Officer | Agent d'information publique District d'Halifax,  
Strategic Communications | Communications stratégiques  
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**Sent:** Monday, June 5, 2023 12:44 PM  
**To:** Tremblay, Guillaume <[guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Info for fire investigation

The investigator is Kara Mcurdy her number is 902 758 5099

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**From:** Tremblay, Guillaume <[guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
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Hi Dave,

Do you have the name or contact of the DNR investigator looking into the origin of the fires?

Below are screenshots of information received over our Facebook account from the profile name

if you'd like to forward the info to the investigators or pass me their contact details:

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Thanks,

Gui

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**From:** wildfirecomms  
**Sent:** Tue, 6 Jun 2023 14:05:08 +0000  
**To:** [20(1)]  
**Cc:** wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** RE: Media request: Number of evacuees

Hi [20(1)] questions on evacuations are best directed at the RCMP.

Thank you,  
Patricia

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**From:** [20(1)]@globalnews.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 6, 2023 11:01 AM  
**To:** wildfirecomms <wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Media request: Number of evacuees

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Hi there, I was looking for an updated number of people still evacuated in the Tantallon and Shelburne areas. I believe yesterday we had about 4,800 for Tantallon (unsure about Shelburne) but more orders have since been lifted so I was just wondering if there was an updated number for both regions.

Thanks

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**From:** wildfirecomms  
**Sent:** Tue, 6 Jun 2023 17:13:29 +0000  
**To:** [redacted]@herald.ca  
**Cc:** wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** RE: Tantallon investigation

Hi Chris,

All wildfires are being investigated, and the investigations are ongoing. We will pass the video along to staff for review, but we encourage anyone to report relevant information to HRM Fire and Emergency and the RCMP.

Thank you,  
Patricia

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**From:** [redacted]@herald.ca  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 6, 2023 1:11 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Tantallon investigation

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Hi Patricia -- someone from Westwood Hills sent me this video clip.

[redacted]

[redacted] said the person who sent me the email.

[redacted]

Had your investigators already seen this video?

[redacted]

Will investigators attempt to lay charges for starting the fire?

If yes, what are the potential charges and range of penalties?

Thanks,

20(1)

The Chronicle Herald

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**From:** wildfirecomms  
**Sent:** Tue, 6 Jun 2023 18:48:21 +0000  
**To:** [REDACTED] wildfirecomms  
**Subject:** RE: Wildfire updates

Hi [REDACTED]

The RCMP would have a better sense of numbers regarding evacuations.

Thank you,  
 Patricia

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**From:** [REDACTED]@globeandmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 6, 2023 3:41 PM  
**To:** wildfirecomms <wildfirecomms@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Wildfire updates

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Hi there,

What are the most recent numbers of people who remain evacuated in southwestern Nova Scotia, and in Halifax Regional Municipality? Is the fire in Barrington Lake still considered out of control?

I was on the press conference but didn't catch these updates.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]



[REDACTED] | Atlantic reporter | The Globe and Mail

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**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Wed, 7 Jun 2023 14:04:58 +0000  
**To:** Burgess, Scott;EMO Provincial Coordination Centre NS;Mew, Jason C  
**Cc:** Delano, Gordon D;Marchand, Charcy;Barron, Phil B;Deveau, Guy F;White, Buffy L;Tracy, Alison;Young, Jamie P;Naime, Gavin;Forsyth-McNeil, Karen;Mason, Paul;MacKinnon, James  
**Subject:** RE: Phased Traffic Plan - Update from OFM  
**Attachments:** Road Closures ShelBarr June 6 v2 (005).docx

**UPDATED ATTACHMENT Disregard previous versions.**

**Resending with updated contact info. Looping all parties in.**

Thank you, Scott.

I have attached my Conservation Officer resource available as well as the suggested plan for my staff. I feel this covers most, if not all the locations. Any voids will need to be covered by other resources.

I require the following please:

1. Who is IC, where do officers report into and at what time.
2. Confirmation that talk group will be LAW3.
3. Contact information of RCMP who will respond to breaches if required. My shift contacts are identified in the attached.

As the day progresses and I have further questions, I'll respond to this group. Thank you.

Orlando

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**From:** Burgess, Scott <[Scott.Burgess@novascotia.ca](mailto:Scott.Burgess@novascotia.ca)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 9:35 AM

**To:** EMO Provincial Coordination Centre NS <[PCC@novascotia.ca](mailto:PCC@novascotia.ca)>

**Cc:** Delano, Gordon D <Gordon.Delano@novascotia.ca>; Marchand, Charcy <Charcy.Marchand@novascotia.ca>; Fraser, Orlando <Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca>; Barron, Phil B <Phil.Barron@novascotia.ca>; Deveau, Guy F <Guy.Deveau@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Phased Traffic Plan - Update from OFM

To whom it may concern:

The Office of the Fire Marshal is informing the PCC that the lane protection that was planned and required to protect the firefighting operation at 1138 Hwy 103, Barrington C&D site is **not** required to be set up. This protection is not set up at the time of this email.

The fire operations will be concluding later this afternoon, June 7, 2023, prior to 8 pm tonight. There will still be dump trucks hauling sand into the site today during daylight to cover the extinguished debris.

**The Office of the Fire Marshal requires that the phased in traffic plan proceed as planned and discussed with all provincial departments involved (signal lane, one escort at a time with no stopping & full complement of enforcement personnel as planned).**

**This is a requirement for the fire scene security continuity and enforcement requirements that have been built into this agreed upon phased plan.**

Please contact me directly if you have any question or concern.

Scott

OFM Deputy of Operations

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**Cc:** Olsen, Sandra D;MacKay, Troy;Cleaves, Jason  
**Subject:** Re: draft plan  
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Resending to include Marty's contact. Delete other versions please.

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3. Contact information of others present will be supplied as I receive.
4. TPW will be present at all locations and will have barricades and staff resource to prevent people from travelling into closed areas. We will support as required.
5. Take food and beverages with you. I grouped you in a manner that you can support each other for comfort breaks.
6. Ensure you speak to each TPW worker at your location. Introductions, contact information. They should have your contact info as attached, but let's confirm.
7. We'll be receiving maps of the coverage areas today.

Devon, Tim: You'll likely have to assist with directing/locating officers at areas until all are familiar.

As I receive more information today, I'll add on to this email. Devon and Tim, feel free to call me if anything jumps out to you in the attached. I think it works for the resource we have.

Chat soon. Thank you everyone. Stay safe.

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**Sent:** Wed, 7 Jun 2023 16:43:09 +0000  
**To:** Locke, Tim C;Wadden, Devon;Bond, Jody  
**Cc:** Huskins, Kimberley  
**Subject:** FW: Hello All - Goggle Earth Image and KMZ showing locations of enforcement/security personnel.  
**Attachments:** GoogleEarth\_Image.jpg, Roadblock with Enforcement (2023.06.07).kmz, Road Closures ShelBarr June 6 v2 (005).docx  
**Importance:** High

As shift contacts, I'd ask that you organize the deployment of officers and ensure they get to where they need to go. There is no requirement to report into IC I'm told. The link shows the Middle Clyde location, it doesn't appear in the pdf.

We'll follow what I sent earlier, and those groupings remain mostly intact, except for splitting the Clyde River group to support Middle Clyde. Each group will support comfort breaks of officers at the location to best of your abilities. As this is only open to commercial traffic, and the plan is to have escorted one-way traffic only, there will be a bit of down time before you see headlights again.

Below is contact information for RCMP and direction to follow. Important to note, DOJ is preparing a SC Appointment to cover this work by COs. I updated what I had sent earlier.

Review this and give me a call with questions.

Just spoke with Kim. No need to check in at IC, but there's food there, so you may wish to visit!!

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Marchand, Charcy <Charcy.Marchand@novascotia.ca>

**Cc:** Mason, Paul <Paul.Mason@novascotia.ca>

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**Importance:** High

Hello All,

As per our meeting and discussion this am, we've established where the enforcement/security personnel should be stationed alongside DPW Personnel to assist OFM in ensuring fire scene security.

Orlando: Can you please liaise with Guy to ensure the locations are correct and you are both aligned with your respective operations? Please advise if you have any concerns or require any more information.

From Charcy (DOJ):

"Please note that private security and peace officers should call the local RCMP non-emergent line at **902-875-2490** to report the breach of the zone. If security can't get through on the non-emergency line, they can call 911 to report the incident. RCMP are aware of this expectation."

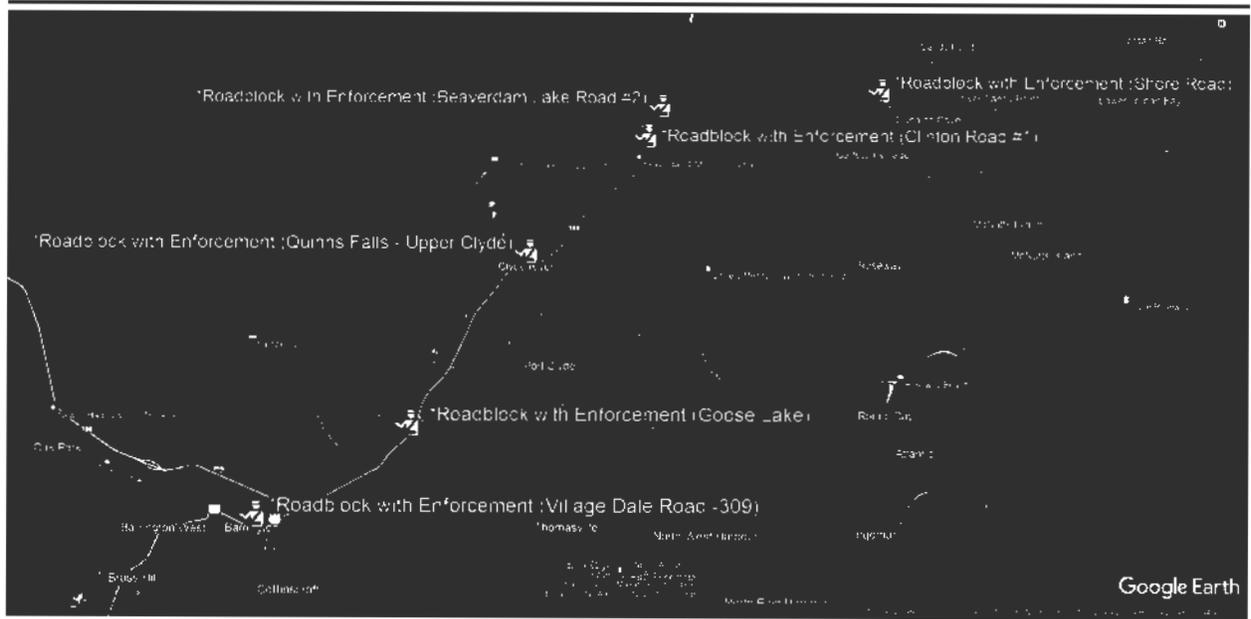
Guy: Your staff follow their normal procedures when you have someone violating your traffic management scheme or becomes a threat to your staff or anyone else.

Gordon: Please ensure NRR advises DPW and OFM 24/7 if a fire or smoke may threaten the safe passage of traffic along highway 103 or surrounding roads.

As always, please reach out if you have any other questions or concerns.

Cheers,

Jason



\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Beaverdam Lake Road #2)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Clinton Road #1)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Shore Road)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Quinns Falls - Upper Clyde)

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Please meet Devon at the **Shelburne High School by 1830 hrs**. Tonight, Devon we'll review assigned locations and assist getting you in place. I attached a location mapping and a link that shows the remaining location of Middle Clyde which is absent on the jpg.

Shift contacts will do the same for the remaining nights, meeting at the high school by 1830 hrs.

There's no requirement to check in with IC in Shelburne. I did notify them of your presence and contact information. Once you receive your assigned locations, please liaise with TPW at the locations and ensure they have your contact info. Some of you will support a few side road closures.

Please run questions through shift contacts and we'll get you answers.

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## Shelburne/Barrington Road Closures

Wed June 7	Thurs June 8	Fri June 9	Sat June 10	Sun June 11	Mon June 12	Tues June 13
Marty Gatien	Marty Gatien	Ryan Potter	Ryan Potter	Jody Bond	Ally Dean	Ally Dean
Hugh MacGillivray	<b>Shift Contact</b> Tim Locke	Hugh MacGillivray	Hugh MacGillivray			
<b>Shift Contact</b> Devon Wadden	Dale Chisholm	Dale Chisholm	Kyle Magliaro			
Dale Chisholm	Rachel Bower	<b>Shift Contact</b> Jody Bond	<b>Shift Contact</b> Devon Wadden			
Rachel Bower	Jody Bond	Kerry Caverhill	Shirley-Anne Sutherland			
Jody Bond	Kerry Caverhill	Johnny Fitzgerald	Carl Kennedy			
Kerry Caverhill	Johnny Fitzgerald	Kyle Magliaro	Jody Bond			
Johnny Fitzgerald	Kyle Magliaro	Carl Kennedy				

Officer	Contact	Call Sign
Devon Wadden	902-875-6352	W-118
Tim Locke	902-874-2611	W-65
Jody Bond	902-527-7800	W-79
Dale Chisolm	902-667-6992	C-116
Rachel Bower	902-219-2900	C-129
Kerry Caverhill	902-870-4367	E-99
Johnny Fitzgerald	902-295-7760	E-71
Kyle Magliaro	902 574 2922	E-134
Ryan Potter	902-526-2665	W-66
Hugh MacGillivray	902-523-0034	W-123
Carl Kennedy	902-870-4775	E-122
Shirley-Anne Sutherland	902-667-6660	C-48
Ally Dean	902-574-0475	E-50

Marty Gatien	902-250-0154	W-35
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### **Side road closures**

Staff resources: 8 Conservation Officers (first three days, 7 on 4<sup>th</sup>)

### **Assignment locations**

Locations are grouped based on proximity to one another and what will work best for the staff resource available.

1) Shore Rd (Gunning Cove)- 2 Conservation Officers

2) Clinton Road – 2 Conservation Officers

Respond to TPW requests for Beaverdam Lake Rd

3) Upper Clyde/Quinns Falls - 1 Conservation Officer

Middle Clyde – 1 Conservation Officer

Respond to TPW requests for West River Rd, Browns Pit Rd, Port Clyde Rd

(COs close enough to spot each other for comfort breaks)

4) Goose Lake – 1 Conservation Officer

5) Hwy 309 (Villagedale) – 1 Conservation Officer

(COs close enough to spot each other for comfort breaks)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Beaverdam Lake Road #2)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Clinton Road #1)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Shore Road)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Quinns Falls - Upper Clyde)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Goose Lake)

\*Roadblock with Enforcement (Village Dale Road -309)



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Google Earth

Imagery Date: 11/8/2022 43°37'08.56" N 65°26'25.72" W elev 9 m eye alt 28.94 km

**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Wed, 7 Jun 2023 20:07:53 +0000  
**To:** Covey, Matt; Matthew Turner, RCMP  
**Cc:** Varin, Larry  
**Subject:** Re: Fire Investigations POC

I am hoping to have all the paperwork completed by Friday, I have three evidence packages for enforcement, [15(1)(f); 20(1); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

[15(1)(f); 20(1); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

[15(1)(f); 20(1); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)] those will be conducted by enforcement officer for DNRR Chris MacLean and Rachel Bowers.

Kara

Kara L. McCurdy

Wildfire Prevention Officer

Dept. Of Natural Resources & Renewables

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**From:** Covey, Matt <Matt.Covey@halifax.ca>

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 4:03:46 PM

**To:** Matthew Turner, RCMP <matthew.turner@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Cc:** Varin, Larry <varinl@halifax.ca>; McCurdy, Kara <Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca>

**Subject:** RE: Fire Investigations POC

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Hi Matt,

The lead for the wildland fire cause and origin investigation is Kara McCurdy (cc'd) with DNRR.

For the buildings, the cause and origin investigations were spread out among several investigators

[15(1)(f); 20(1); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

[15(1)(f); 20(1); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

HRFE key contact would be Larry

Varin for HRFE (cc'd).

Thanks,

MATT COVEY, PEng

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**From:** Turner, Matthew <Matthew.Turner@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 3:01 PM  
**To:** Covey, Matt <Matt.Covey@halifax.ca>  
**Subject:** [External Email] Fire Investigations POC

*[This email has been received from an external person or system]*

Matt,

Can you send me a point of contact for both HRM fire and DNRR fire investigations?

Here's the rationale for the ask, which may help determine who it goes to on each side:

- Our investigators are working through complaints which may involve things like mischief, theft, vandalism to properties... it's my understanding that many homeowners have previously been interviewed as part of fire investigations. It would be of benefit for us to be able to determine who has and has not been interviewed by HRFE or DNRR, so that we avoid redundancy, duplication, and the almighty appearing that one hand is talking to the other.

Please advise, and thanks.

Matt



Inspector Matthew TURNER  
Operations Support Officer - Halifax District  
Accredited Team Commander

Royal Canadian Mounted Police  
1975 Gottingen Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
B3J 2H1  
Desk: 902-490-6874  
Cell: 782-640-1268  
Email: [Matthew.Turner@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Matthew.Turner@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Wed, 7 Jun 2023 21:35:37 +0000  
**To:** Wadden, Devon;Locke, Tim C;Gatien, Martin J;Bond, Jody;Chisholm, Dale J;Bower, Rachel M;Fitzgerald, Johnny R;Magliaro, Kyle;Dean, Ally;Kennedy, Carl F;Sutherland, Shirley-Ann;Potter, Ryan;MacGillivray, Hugh B;Caverhill, Kerry  
**Cc:** Olsen, Sandra D;MacKay, Troy;Cleaves, Jason  
**Subject:** RE: Re: draft plan  
**Attachments:** Fire Evacuation Zone Protocol - Peace Officers.pdf

Attached outlines DOJ expectations on Conservation Officers. Everyone please read.

The shift contact or designate will attend the Toolbox meeting each night at 1900 hrs and confirm contact person for each shift.

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**Cc:** Olsen, Sandra D <Sandra.Olsen@novascotia.ca>; MacKay, Troy <Troy.MacKay@novascotia.ca>; Cleaves, Jason <Jason.Cleaves@novascotia.ca>

**Subject:** RE: Re: draft plan

DPW radios cannot access the law channels and others cannot access ours so there will be a request by VTI this evening to Shubie to set a mutual aid channel for all to use.




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**Subject:** Re: draft plan

Updated version. Delete other versions please.

Please meet Devon at the **Shelburne High School by 1830 hrs**. Tonight, Devon we'll review assigned locations and assist getting you in place. I attached a location mapping and a link that shows the remaining location of Middle Clyde which is absent on the jpg.

Shift contacts will do the same for the remaining nights, meeting at the high school by 1830 hrs.

There's no requirement to check in with IC in Shelburne. I did notify them of your presence and contact information. Once you receive your assigned locations, please liaise with TPW at the locations and ensure they have your contact info. Some of you will support a few side road closures.

Please run questions through shift contacts and we'll get you answers.

Thank you everyone!

Good morning,

Planning for CO supports is still underway. I'm not in control of the result folks, but I will share what I sent to the Provincial Coordination Center as an FYI.

1. Shift contacts were required to liaise with RCMP on duty or call to report any traffic breaches into closed areas. Highlighted in attached.
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## Fire Evacuation Zone Protocol Phase 1 – Hwy 103 Reopening

### Peace Officers

#### Work Hours:

7:00 pm – 7:00 am

1. Travel to evacuation zone checkpoint to gain access to the area.
2. **Hazard Toolbox Meeting at 7pm at Exit 30 on Hwy 103. Please confirm who your contact person is for each shift.**
3. Travel to designated zone and be in place by 7:45pm.
4. Complete duties assigned:
  - a. Check security license ID's of Private Security and Traffic Control personnel and record names of those entering and exiting the evacuation zone.
  - b. Allow access to commercial traffic (18 wheelers) and health care personnel only to Hwy 103 through the evacuation zones via one lane escorted traffic.
    - i. Health care personnel to be confirmed through ID badge checks.
  - c. Monitor any vehicles stopped on the highway.
    - i. Check passenger vehicles to confirm health care personnel via ID badge.
    - ii. Turn away any non-approved vehicles.
    - iii. In the event of a conflict, contact the RCMP, and complete notes of the incident.
    - iv. If the vehicle tries to gain access to restricted evacuation zone, or drops off a passenger, do not attempt to engage, but contact the RCMP and take notes of your observations.
  - d. Contact the RCMP to report for enforcement action.
    - i. Non-Emergency line for RCMP is 902-875-2490.
    - ii. If you can't get through to non-emergency police line, call 911.
5. Escorted traffic will close at 6:00 am. Stay in place until notified by your shift lead.
6. Sign out at the command post and submit any notes or observations to the RCMP liaison.
7. Depart the evacuation zone.

### Public Works Contact Information:

Don Houston @ 902-740-0785

Kirk Reede @ 902-774-0754

Reid Lohnes @ 902-523-0838

**From:** Fraser, Orlando  
**Sent:** Thu, 8 Jun 2023 11:11:48 +0000  
**To:** Locke, Tim C; Bond, Jody  
**Cc:** Wadden, Devon  
**Subject:** FW: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

FYI, last nights report from Devon. I'll try to confirm if RCMP will maintain Middle Clyde.

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 7:12 AM  
**To:** Fraser, Orlando <[Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca](mailto:Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

Hey Orlando, not much to report. RCMP did the checkpoint in Middle Clyde and did not need us so that Officer I put in Clyde River as the original plan had two there and the fact, they had 5 exit points to cover. The Villagedale closure was moved up to Exit 29 to prevent traffic exiting from the Highway this was done by Transportation. Overall, it was not busy with escorts so there was no demand on us. All areas CO's were stationed were well lite so no safety concerns with where we were stationed. Officially the highway was closed at 0600 but unofficially by the time they ended up shuffling vehicles we did not clear until 645 so you may want to inform officers, they may have to stay later depending on traffic demand. They may want to reiterate to private contract staff working the only way to access the 103 is via exit 30 and exit 29. Overall, no issues.

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**From:** Fraser, Orlando <[Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca](mailto:Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca)>  
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**Subject:** Fwd: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

Hi guys .

See the request from Charcy at DOJ. You can report back to me as overall lead and I will report to Charcy and those in the email chain here.

Thank you.

Orlando

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**From:** Marchand, Charcy <[Charcy.Marchand@novascotia.ca](mailto:Charcy.Marchand@novascotia.ca)>

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**Subject:** RE: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

**Orlando & Phil** – please ask your shift supervisors report back at the end of their shifts to detail any feedback required for changes to the security/peace officer plan. Can you ensure they report back on what’s worked and what hasn’t worked with the plan, and if the private security was effective for the intended purpose.

Please ensure your shift leads collaborate with the DPW Operations Supervisor to determine where security should be allocated to support this operation.

Please see below for the contact information for the Security teams. Additionally, I have re-attached the Protocols for peace officers and private security. The 7pm briefing at exit 30 will be to identify the contact points for the shift leads and DPW Operations Supervisors (each night).

#### **Northeastern Protection**

Kunal Sharma (team lead) - 437-213-3554

Naresh Mehra - 902-919-3302

Navjot Singh - 647-292-8923

#### **Securitas Security**

Mohammad Shiblee (team lead) – 902- 449-5303

Liston Vogel - 902 956-0543

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!

Charcy

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**From:** Naime, Gavin <[Gavin.Naime@novascotia.ca](mailto:Gavin.Naime@novascotia.ca)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 7, 2023 6:27 PM

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**Cc:** TIR EMO Support Group <tir\_emo@novascotia.ca>; EMO Provincial Coordination Centre NS <PCC@novascotia.ca>; Crichton, Hayley <Hayley.Crichton@novascotia.ca>

**Subject:** RE: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

Hi Buffy,

Attached are the protocol documents which outline Department of Justice's expectations for Peace Officers and Private Security personnel while deployed on the 103 Highway reopening project.

Phil/Orlando – Please share with your employees as appropriate.

DOJ

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Updated plans attached.

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**Subject:** HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

**Importance:** High

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Thanks Jamie.

Cheers,

Jason

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**Cc:** TIR EMO Support Group;EMO Provincial Coordination Centre NS;Crichton, Hayley  
**Subject:** RE: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

Good morning,

Here's a copy and from my shift contact for June 7<sup>th</sup>:

*Hey Orlando, not much to report. RCMP did the checkpoint in Middle Clyde and did not need us so that Officer I put in Clyde River as the original plan had two there and the Fact, they had 5 exit points to cover. The Villagedale closure was moved up to Exit 29 to prevent traffic exiting from the Highway this was done by Transportation. Overall, it was not busy with escorts so there was no demand on us. All areas CO's were stationed were well lite so no safety concerns with where we were stationed. Officially the highway was closed at 0600 but unofficially by the time they ended up shuffling vehicles we did not clear until 645 so you may want to inform officers, they may have to stay later depending on traffic demand. They may want to reiterate to private contract staff working the only way to access the 103 is via exit 30 and exit 29. Overall, no issues.*

Can we confirm today that RCMP will maintain Middle Clyde closure? Any questions, please reach out.

Thanks  
Orlando

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**Subject:** RE: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

**Orlando & Phil** – please ask your shift supervisors report back at the end of their shifts to detail any feedback required for changes to the security/peace officer plan. Can you ensure they report back on what’s worked and what hasn’t worked with the plan, and if the private security was effective for the intended purpose.

Please ensure your shift leads collaborate with the DPW Operations Supervisor to determine where security should be allocated to support this operation.

Please see below for the contact information for the Security teams. Additionally, I have re-attached the Protocols for peace officers and private security. The 7pm briefing at exit 30 will be to identify the contact points for the shift leads and DPW Operations Supervisors (each night).

#### **Northeastern Protection**

Kunal Sharma (team lead) - 437-213-3554

Naresh Mehra - 902-919-3302

Navjot Singh - 647-292-8923

#### **Securitas Security**

Mohammad Shiblee (team lead) – 902- 449-5303

Liston Vogel - 902 956-0543

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!

Charcy

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**From:** Naime, Gavin <Gavin.Naime@novascotia.ca>

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**Subject:** RE: HWY 103 Reopening Plan for June 7, 2023

Hi Buffy,

Attached are the protocol documents which outline Department of Justice's expectations for Peace Officers and Private Security personnel while deployed on the 103 Highway reopening project.

Phil/Orlando – Please share with your employees as appropriate.

DOJ

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Updated plans attached.

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**Sent:** Thu, 8 Jun 2023 18:58:35 +0000  
**To:** Marchand, Charcy  
**Cc:** Delano, Gordon D  
**Subject:** Re: Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

Thank you.

I will stand down all 8 for tonight's shift and have them all at Shelburne RCMP tomorrow morning at 0700.

Orlando

**From:** Marchand, Charcy <Charcy.Marchand@novascotia.ca>  
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Please give me a call if you have any questions!  
Charcy

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**To:** Delano, Gordon D <Gordon.Delano@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

FYI again

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On this piece, I just checked and Motor Vehicle Inspectors are already slated to be here tomorrow for day shift. So they will have 5 here tomorrow that we can use with RCMP at various locations. I ask that this remain as plan and I really don't see how it would change

Mark



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**Subject:** Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

Good Afternoon

As per my last MS Teams meeting here is the tentative plan:

**Regarding Hwy 103:**

- The Fire Marshall's Office has advised that they have a meeting at 2:00 pm to discuss opening the 103 Hwy this evening for all traffic
- I have articulated that it is **imperative** that TIR and private companies continue to hold the access roads off the 103 if that does happen
- RCMP members will make extra patrols throughout the night to support this endeavour
- All other check points will continue to be held in other areas

**Regarding Full Opening of all Fire Zones:**

- Starting tomorrow morning at 9:00 am EMO/Municipality Groups want to allow only residents who have lost property into the evac zones

- These residents will be contacted today and advised that at 9:00 am tomorrow they will be allowed to access the restricted zones to go to their properties
- At 12 noon or thereabouts, all restricted areas will be opened to everyone else
- Again, it is **imperative** that TIR and private companies hold all access points while this is occurring
- Don Houston of TIR advised me a little while ago that this should not be a problem.
- The plan is to have a peace officer at each check point to manage the initial return of the residents who EMO will advise to return to their properties.
- All officers will be given a list of property owners for this piece and will stop each vehicle, check credentials and cross them off the list as they enter
- Once message goes out for all zones to be open, check points and officer presence can begin to recede

**The Ask:**

- Dominic with the PCC has been advised that RCMP would like to have six (6) additional Provincial peace officers to assist in this and he is working on that
- Charcy/Hayley can you ensure that TIR does not pull out till tomorrow after lunch to support this ?
- Myself and my team have already begun to seek out RCMP resources and have five (5) confirmed so far. Paul had lined some of these up previously.
- Consideration to be given to cancelling some other RCMP OT resources that are planned for next few days as we will not need overnight patrols..... however we may see a spike in calls for service related to properties damaged by fire. So we might still need additional support but the overnight shift of 7 pm to 7am could be adjusted.

Again, all of this is still tentative and will know more sometime in next couple of hours but want to start planning now as resourcing takes time as you all know.

I think that is it for now.....

Thank you  
Mark



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**Cc:** Olsen, Sandra D;MacKay, Troy;Cleaves, Jason  
**Subject:** RE: Revised plan  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

We have a revised plan. The following is from DOJ:

*Hi Orlando, please see below from the S/Sgt. In Shelburne/Barrington RE: the re-opening plan. I have confirmed with RCMP that all 8 of your CO's will be deployed to RCMP Shelburne **tomorrow at 7AM** and will likely be released by 2-3pm tomorrow afternoon.*

So, please do not attend Shelburne tonight, stay and get some rest. You are required to report to Shelburne RCMP at 0700 hrs tomorrow, June 9<sup>th</sup>. You'll be assisting RCMP in taking residents who lost structures into the impacted areas. By noon, all evacuation zones will be lifted and you'll be released from assignment at approximately 1400 hrs. Thank you for everything you've done here folks.

Orlando

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Hi Charcy,

The new direction has been sent to my eight officers. They are standing down tonight and will all be at Shelburne RCMP at 0700 hrs tomorrow morning. They will return to their home counties once released.

Thank you,  
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**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 3:48 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Orlando <Orlando.Fraser@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Delano, Gordon D <Gordon.Delano@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

Hi Orlando, please see below from the S/Sgt. In Shelburne/Barrington RE: the re-opening plan. I have confirmed with RCMP that all 8 of your CO's will be deployed to RCMP Shelburne **tomorrow** at 7AM and will likely be released by 2-3pm tomorrow afternoon.

Please give me a call if you have any questions!  
Charcy

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**From:** Marchand, Charcy  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 2:33 PM

**To:** Delano, Gordon D <[Gordon.Delano@novascotia.ca](mailto:Gordon.Delano@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

FYI again

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**From:** Macpherson, Mark <[mark.macpherson@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:mark.macpherson@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 8, 2023 2:31 PM  
**To:** Pittman, R. Paul <[rpittman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:rpittman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Kamotzki, Kurtis <[Kurt.Kamotzki@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Kurt.Kamotzki@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Laurie, Sara <[sara.laurie@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:sara.laurie@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Powers, Lindsay <[lindsay.powers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:lindsay.powers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Payne, John <[john.payne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:john.payne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
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On this piece, I just checked and Motor Vehicle Inspectors are already slated to be here tomorrow for day shift. So they will have 5 here tomorrow that we can use with RCMP at various locations. I ask that this remain as plan and I really don't see how it would change

Mark



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**To:** Pittman, R. Paul <[rpittman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:rpittman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Kamotzki, Kurtis <[Kurt.Kamotzki@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:Kurt.Kamotzki@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Laurie, Sara <[sara.laurie@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:sara.laurie@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Powers, Lindsay <[lindsay.powers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:lindsay.powers@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>; Payne, John <[john.payne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:john.payne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
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'gavin.naime@novascotia.ca' <gavin.naime@novascotia.ca>

**Subject:** Planned Reopen of Shelburne Fire Zones

Good Afternoon

As per my last MS Teams meeting here is the tentative plan:

**Regarding Hwy 103:**

- The Fire Marshall's Office has advised that they have a meeting at 2:00 pm to discuss opening the 103 Hwy this evening for all traffic
- I have articulated that it is **imperative** that TIR and private companies continue to hold the access roads off the 103 if that does happen
- RCMP members will make extra patrols throughout the night to support this endeavour
- All other check points will continue to be held in other areas

**Regarding Full Opening of all Fire Zones:**

- Starting tomorrow morning at 9:00 am EMO/Municipality Groups want to allow only residents who have lost property into the evac zones
- These residents will be contacted today and advised that at 9:00 am tomorrow they will be allowed to access the restricted zones to go to their properties
- At 12 noon or thereabouts, all restricted areas will be opened to everyone else
- Again, it is **imperative** that TIR and private companies hold all access points while this is occurring
- Don Houston of TIR advised me a little while ago that this should not be a problem.
- The plan is to have a peace officer at each check point to manage the initial return of the residents who EMO will advise to return to their properties.
- All officers will be given a list of property owners for this piece and will stop each vehicle, check credentials and cross them off the list as they enter
- Once message goes out for all zones to be open, check points and officer presence can begin to recede

**The Ask:**

- Dominic with the PCC has been advised that RCMP would like to have six (6) additional Provincial peace officers to assist in this and he is working on that
- Charcy/Hayley can you ensure that TIR does not pull out till tomorrow after lunch to support this ?
- Myself and my team have already begun to seek out RCMP resources and have five (5) confirmed so far. Paul had lined some of these up previously.
- Consideration to be given to cancelling some other RCMP OT resources that are planned for next few days as we will not need overnight patrols..... however we may see a spike in calls for service related to properties damaged by fire. So we might still need additional support but the overnight shift of 7 pm to 7am could be adjusted.

Again, all of this is still tentative and will know more sometime in next couple of hours but want to start planning now as resourcing takes time as you all know.

I think that is it for now.....

Thank you  
Mark



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**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Fri, 9 Jun 2023 17:11:42 +0000  
**To:** clowated@halifax.ca; MacLean, Christopher; Tingley, Scott W; Varin, Larry  
**Subject:** Tantallon Wildfire Origin and Cause Report

Good Afternoon

The report is too large to send via regular mail, I am alerting you that I will be sending a separate email in a secure large file transfer device used by Provincial Government it is not spam, you only have 30 days to open and save the file also.

Your contacts for the investigation are as follows;

- Larry Varin – Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Fire Prevention Division (902)430-3854
- Marty Lahey - Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Fire Prevention Division
- Erika Carroll - Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Fire Prevention Division (902)383-3972
- Chris MacLean – DNRR Conservation – Waverley (902)223-4373
- Rachel Bower – DNRR Conservation – Waverley (902)219-2900
- Pario Contrast Engineering – Bill Murphy and Grant Rhyno ( Electrical Engineer) 902-835-2175 (ext1.1)
- Dave Clowater – Halifax Regional Police – [clowated@halifax.ca](mailto:clowated@halifax.ca)

Witnesses:

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*Wela’lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

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**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Wed, 14 Jun 2023 09:33:38 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Statement of [redacted]

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Good morning,

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**From:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>

**Sent:** June 13, 2023 11:50:49 AM

**To:** Clowater, David

**Subject:** [External Email] RE: Statement of [redacted]

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 13, 2023 11:24 AM  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher <[Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca](mailto:Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** Statement of

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Hi Chris,

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Would you prefer it on a disk or through email attachment?

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Halifax Regional Police  
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**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Wed, 14 Jun 2023 18:14:34 +0000  
**To:** Clowater, David  
**Subject:** RE: Insurance info

Negative, no one has and I don't have who the insurance company is.

*Wela'lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 14, 2023 3:11 PM  
**To:** McCurdy, Kara <Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Insurance info

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Hi Kara,

I'm wondering if you know who the insurance adjuster [redacted]

[redacted] I was hoping they've reached out to you or someone in DNR.

Detective Constable David Clowater

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**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Thu, 15 Jun 2023 18:17:40 +0000  
**To:** dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Subject:** Barrington Lake Fire Complex

Good Afternoon Dave

I am just completing the Barrington and Lake Rd Fire reports...what a challenge so much disruption, just looking for the second police offices name and contact information for my report. You are welcome to text it to me if uncomfortable here 902-758-5099.

Should have them both by days end tomorrow done.

*Wela'lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

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**From:** David Clowater  
**Sent:** Fri, 16 Jun 2023 08:51:42 -0300  
**To:** Keaveny, Alex J  
**Cc:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon fire investigation

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I can make Monday work, as for your questions I'll leave those for Chris, being my first time working with DNR or a wildfire I really don't know the answer. Just let me know what time works for you.

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On Jun 15, 2023, at 10:30 PM, Keaveny, Alex J <Alex.Keaveny@novascotia.ca> wrote:

Let's have a teams meeting Monday afternoon. There are issues with conducting joint interviews that I haven't fully worked through. <sup>14(1); 15(1)(c)</sup>

<sup>14(1); 15(1)(c)</sup>

Also, am I correct that the regulatory officers are responsible for the Forests Act and Regs, or are there other statutes that they enforce as well?

Alex

**From:** David Clowater<sup>20(1)</sup>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 15, 2023 7:37:23 PM  
**To:** Keaveny, Alex J <Alex.Keaveny@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Tantallon fire investigation

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Hi Alex,

I reached out to you yesterday but received a call this afternoon from the DNRR conservation officer/investigator Chris MacLean who's copied on this email.

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What are your thoughts about acting on this plan? Do you have any oppositions or input? Otherwise is it possible for McClean and I to meet with you next week?

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Thanks for your time.

Detective constable D Clowater  
Halifax Regional Police  
CID/GIS Squad 2

**From:** Locke, Tim C  
**Sent:** Fri, 16 Jun 2023 13:06:00 +0000  
**To:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Subject:** FW: Pictures of Lake Road Fire  
**Attachments:** IMG\_0282.JPG, IMG\_0283.JPG, IMG\_0289.JPG, IMG\_0290.JPG

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**From:** Cox, Ken <Ken.Cox@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 14, 2023 10:06 AM  
**To:** Locke, Tim C <Timothy.Locke@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Pictures of Lake Road Fire

Morning Tim, attached are pictures I took of the Lake road fire, 0282 and 0283 are initial pictures taken when I arrived! RCMP are on site, you can see them when zoomed in  
0289 and 0290 are odd pictures that show small starts and the fire column did not shift that direction to throw ambers out, don't know if that's relevant or not..  
Pictures are time stamped.

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**From:** Locke, Tim C <Timothy.Locke@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 14, 2023 9:32 AM  
**To:** Cox, Ken <Ken.Cox@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Pictures of Lake Road Fire

Ken,

Was speaking with Dave Rockwood last week, regarding some pictures taken from the helicopter at the beginning of the Lake Road Fire, Shelburne. Dave mentioned you may have taken the photos. I was hoping to get those photos and times they were taken. There is one that you can see RCMP Officers on the ground. Hopefully you can help me out.

Tim

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**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Tue, 20 Jun 2023 23:41:06 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon Fire - Statements and other info

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The statements are too big to send via email. I'll put them on a disk and have them dropped off at the Waverly office tomorrow.

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**From:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** June 20, 2023 5:37:19 PM  
**To:** Clowater, David  
**Subject:** [External Email] Re: Tantallon Fire - Statements and other info

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Perfect, thank you! We appreciate your help!

Chris

**From:** Clowater, David <clowated@halifax.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 20, 2023 5:31:32 PM  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon Fire - Statements and other info

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Good evening,

I can get the statements I have on a disk or email for you tonight. I'm working odd times and shifts this week, likely after your day ends.

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Worst case I will have it delivered by someone working a day shift tomorrow or Thursday. I apologize for holding you up.

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**From:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>  
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Hi David

In addition to below, [15(1)(f); 14(1); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]  
Thanks

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**From:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 20, 2023 11:09 AM  
**To:** David Clowater [20(1)]  
**Subject:** Tantallon Fire - Statements and other info

Morning Dave

Our conversations yesterday were valuable and productive I think. [15(1)(f); 14(1); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]  
[15(1)(f); 14(1); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

[15(1)(f); 14(1); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)] Let me know if you want to meet up somewhere.

Also, apart from Kara's fire report [15(1)(f); 14(1); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]  
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Talk soon

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**Sent:** Wed, 28 Jun 2023 15:43:09 +0000  
**To:** Rushton, Tory;Gatien, Karen M  
**Cc:** Geddes, Peter;Jreige, Patricia H;Boone, Shelly;McKeage, Susan M;Cuvelier, Pauline;Bolger, Joanne E  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Tantallon wildfire investigation media call - Global

And another for approval!

**Outlet/Reporter:** Global News - 20(1)

**Reporter's questions:** I understand from HRM Fire that DNRR is leading the investigation into the wildfire in Tantallon. I'm wondering where that investigation is and when it's expected to wrap up.

**Strategy:** Statement

**Response:** Investigations into the Tantallon wildfire is still ongoing. Outcomes of the investigation will be led by the RCMP. At this point we can say that the wildfires were most likely caused by people in one way or another, because there have been no reports of lightning strikes.

**From:** Rushton, Tory  
**Sent:** Wed, 28 Jun 2023 16:14:05 +0000  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H;Gatien, Karen M  
**Cc:** Geddes, Peter;Boone, Shelly;McKeage, Susan M;Cuvelier, Pauline;Bolger, Joanne E  
**Subject:** RE: FOR APPROVAL - Tantallon wildfire investigation media call - Global

Good

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 12:43 PM  
**To:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; McKeage, Susan M <Susan.McKeage@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Tantallon wildfire investigation media call - Global

And another for approval!

**Outlet/Reporter:** Global News –

**Reporter's questions:** I understand from HRM Fire that DNRR is leading the investigation into the wildfire in Tantallon. I'm wondering where that investigation is and when it's expected to wrap up.

**Strategy:** Statement

**Response:** Investigations into the Tantallon wildfire is still ongoing. Outcomes of the investigation will be led by the RCMP. At this point we can say that the wildfires were most likely caused by people in one way or another, because there have been no reports of lightning strikes.

**From:** Rushton, Tory  
**Sent:** Thu, 29 Jun 2023 17:06:48 +0000  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H;Gatien, Karen M  
**Cc:** Boone, Shelly;Geddes, Peter;Jreige, Patricia H;Bolger, Joanne E;Cuvelier, Pauline  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation status media call - Saltwire

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 1:17:47 PM  
**To:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation status media call - Saltwire

Hi Minister and Karen, for approval please.

**Outlet/Reporter:** Saltwire -

**Reporter's questions:** What's the status of the wildfire investigation? Can people be held liable for the cost of firefighting efforts?

**Strategy:** Statement

**Response:** DNRR has handed over its information to appropriate law enforcement (RCMP, conservation officers, Office of the Fire Marshall). The court may impose the full cost or any portion of the cost or expense incurred by the Minister, Department, city, town, or municipality, in controlling or extinguishing a fire, together with costs or expenses related to the loss of fibre and rehabilitation of the area burned or for removing a fire hazard.

**From:** Rushton, Tory  
**Sent:** Thu, 29 Jun 2023 17:07:10 +0000  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H;Gatien, Karen M  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H;Geddes, Peter;Boone, Shelly;Cuvelier, Pauline;Bolger, Joanne E  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire / Burn Ban media call - CBC Radio

Approved

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 1:19:06 PM  
**To:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire / Burn Ban media call - CBC Radio

Another for approval please. Recommending an interview with Scott this afternoon.

**Outlet/Reporter:** CBC Radio - 20(1)

**Reporter's questions:** This Sunday I'm hosting CBC Radio's call-in show Maritime Connection. On the show we're asking: "Is it time to rethink the regulations and culture around burning in the maritimes." I'm hoping for 2 things from DNR if possible.

1) The latest information on the status of the investigation into the cause of the recent wildfires in Nova Scotia - particularly the Barrington Lake fire and the Tantallon/Hammonds plains fire. If the investigation is still with DNR and not handed over to the RCMP, that's fine of course. I just need the most up to date info so I've got the right context for the show. Also, can people be held liable for the cost of firefighting efforts? Would that be a charge given by the RCMP/law enforcement, or DNRR?

2) I would like to interview someone from DNR about what goes into the decision around burning regulations. What factors are at play when it's decided to turn a particular area on the burn map from green to yellow etc. I'd also like to talk about best practices when it comes to people burning brush on their property. For instance, if the map is green but it's windy, should someone think twice about setting a fire?

Ideally this interview can be done live on the air at around 4pm this Sunday. I'm sure many people will have questions and it would be great if my guest could answer some of them. If that's not possible, I'm open to making other arrangements.

**Strategy:** interview with Scott Tingley or Jim Rudderham

**Response:** DNRR has handed over its information to appropriate law enforcement (RCMP, conservation officers, Office of the Fire Marshall). The court may impose the full cost or any portion of the cost or expense incurred by the Minister, Department, city, town, or municipality, in controlling or extinguishing a fire, together with costs or expenses related to the loss of fibre and rehabilitation of the area burned or for removing a fire hazard.

The daily burn ban restrictions are determined based on 31 scientific grade weather stations, which have been strategically placed across the province to represent forest conditions. Each weather station site adheres to the standards described by the weather guide for the Canadian Forest

Fire Danger Rating System (CFFDRS) – a national system for rating the risk of forest fire in Canada. One part of the CFFDRS is the Canadian Fire Weather Index System or more commonly known as the FWI system. The system uses temperature, relative humidity (RH), wind speed, and 24-hour rainfall to describe the first three components of the FWI system which are the fuel moisture codes and provides for informed decision making when it comes to the Burn Safe map. We also factor in current wildfire activity and demand on our firefighting resources when applicable. Although the final product is a map which sets the restrictions by county, we look at all weather stations within a surrounding county to produce the FWI system codes and indices to make informed decisions. More about the CFFDRS can be found here: <http://cwfis.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/home>

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Wed, 28 Jun 2023 16:18:22 +0000  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** RE: Tantallon Wildfire investigation

Hi [REDACTED]

Investigations into the Tantallon wildfire is still ongoing. Outcomes of the investigation will be led by the RCMP. At this point we can say that the wildfires were most likely caused by people in one way or another, because there have been no reports of lightning strikes.

Thank you  
Patricia

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**From:** [REDACTED]@globalnews.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 3:22 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Tantallon Wildfire investigation

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Hi Patricia,

I understand from HRM Fire that DNRR is leading the investigation into the wildfire in Tantallon. I'm wondering where that investigation is and when it's expected to wrap up.

This isn't for today, so if you have to get back to me tomorrow that would be great.

Thanks!

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**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Wed, 28 Jun 2023 16:21:40 +0000  
**To:** Toope, Dave  
**Subject:** RE: [redacted]

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*Wela'lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

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**From:** Toope, Dave <dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 1:20 PM  
**To:** McCurdy, Kara <Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: [redacted]

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Kara,

What evidentiary value does it present?

Dave

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**From:** McCurdy, Kara <Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca>

**Sent:** June 27, 2023 12:20 PM

**To:** Toope, Dave <dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Subject:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Do you want the evidence [REDACTED]

Kara L. McCurdy  
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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 29 Jun 2023 17:05:40 +0000  
**To:** [20(1)]  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** Wildfire investigation questions

Hi [20(1)]

Good chatting with you this afternoon.

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Hope this helps,  
Patricia

**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Mon, 10 Jul 2023 17:42:34 +0000  
**To:** Toope, Dave  
**Subject:** RE: Wildfires

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*Wela'lin, Merci, Tapadh Leibh, Thank You*

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**From:** Toope, Dave <dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2023 2:39 PM  
**To:** McCurdy, Kara <Kara.McCurdy@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Wildfires

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Kara,

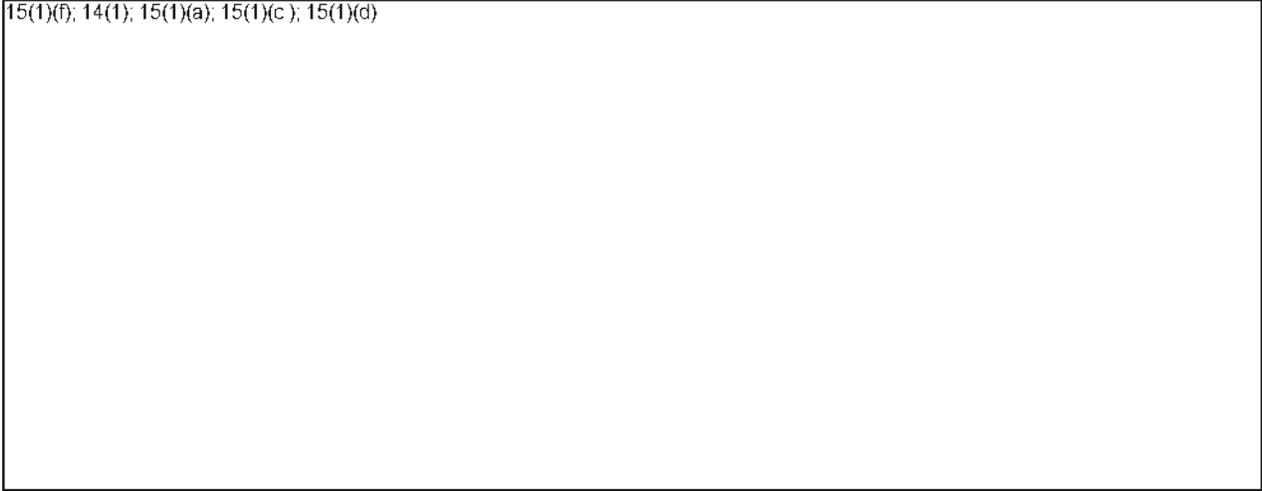
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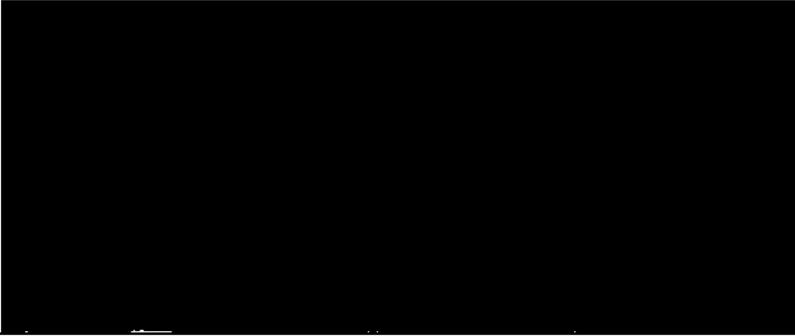
Thanks for forwarding it to us.

Dave

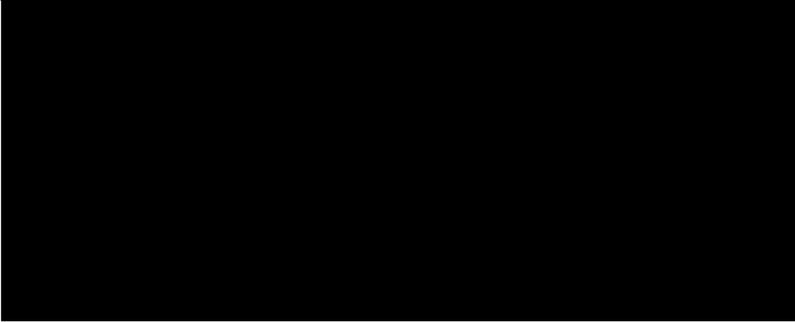
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**Sent:** July 10, 2023 2:34 PM  
**To:** Toope, Dave <[dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:dave.toope@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Wildfires

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**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Tue, 18 Jul 2023 15:18:20 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon wildfire status

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Interesting,

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Detective Constable David Clowater  
Halifax Regional Police  
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**From:** MacLean, Christopher <Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca>

**Sent:** July 18, 2023 11:17:26 AM

**To:** Clowater, David

**Subject:** [External Email] RE: Tantallon wildfire status

*[This email has been received from an external person or system]*

Morning Dave

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**From:** Clowater, David <[clowated@halifax.ca](mailto:clowated@halifax.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 17, 2023 1:52 PM  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher <[Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca](mailto:Christopher.MacLean@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** Tantallon wildfire status

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Hi Chris,

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Thanks for your time.

Detective Constable David Clowater  
Halifax Regional Police

CID -General Investigation Section  
Squad 2

**From:** McCurdy, Kara  
**Sent:** Thu, 20 Jul 2023 16:41:15 +0000  
**To:** Tremblay, Guillaume;MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Fire Investigation report Tantallon

I found some discrepancies with the following and have adjusted, no change in outcome the report was sent to you in a Large File transfer system.

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I also fixed grammatical and spelling errors, and I've attached both PDF and Word versions as I found that since the file is so large it messes with format.

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**From:** Rushton, Tory  
**Sent:** Thu, 27 Jul 2023 14:45:01 +0000  
**To:** Geddes, Peter;Jreige, Patricia H;Gatien, Karen M  
**Cc:** Poirier, Adele;Boone, Shelly;Bolger, Joanne E;Cuvelier, Pauline  
**Subject:** Re: FYI - Interview request on wildfires out - CBC

Thank you.

**From:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2023 11:43:27 AM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: FYI - Interview request on wildfires out - CBC

Great thanks

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**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2023 11:17 AM  
**To:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
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**Subject:** FYI - Interview request on wildfires out - CBC

FYI: the interview went great. <sup>20(1)</sup> had a follow up question on when each wildfire was declared under control. I responded to her with:

The Tantallon wildfire was declared under control on June 4. The Barrington Lake wildfire was declared under control on June 13.

We've had our fair share of natural disasters recently, so this is a welcomed bit of good news for our province, recognizing that many people are still going through a hard time as a result of the recent flooding.

Thanks  
Patricia

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**From:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2023 10:06 AM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL - Interview request on wildfires out - CBC

Good

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2023 9:58:59 AM  
**To:** Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Interview request on wildfires out - CBC

Good morning, for your approval please.

Thank you,

Patricia

**Outlet/Reporter:** CBC-

**Reporter's questions:** Just seeing that the Barrington Lake and Upper Tantallon wildfires are now officially out. I'm wondering if someone from DNR would have a few minutes this morning via Zoom to talk about that — to speak to the significance of these fires now being extinguished, take us through what work had to be completed in order to make this declaration and whether the areas will continue to be monitored throughout the summer.

I would only need about 5-10 minutes of someone's time, ideally before 11 a.m. AT — it just feels like a milestone in these devastating fires that we should be marking.

**Strategy:** zoom interview with Scott Tingley

**Response:** The Barrington Lake and Tantallon wildfires are officially extinguished. This is a great milestone -- and a relief -- for Nova Scotians. We've had our fair share of natural disasters recently, so this is a welcomed bit of good news for our province. We needed to take the time to monitor for hotspots, and get to any lingering heat or fires beneath the surface before we could officially declare these fires extinguished. I want to thank all our firefighters who have been working at getting these fires under control and monitoring for hotspots and putting them out over these last several weeks. Our wildfire season isn't over though. I'd like to ask that people take every precaution they can to ensure that they have a safe season – check the burn safe page every day at 2 pm. Investigations are ongoing. We turned over evidence to police and the Crown who continue to do their work to determine next steps. We need to give that process time to unfold.

**From:** Gatien, Karen M  
**Sent:** Wed, 23 Aug 2023 16:37:04 +0000  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H;LeBlanc, Colton  
**Cc:** Boomer, Rachel A;Boone, Shelly;Geddes, Peter;Amirault, Denis;Bolger, Joanne E;Cuvelier, Pauline  
**Subject:** RE: HOLD: FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation status - Halifax Examiner

Ok, thanks

Karen M. Gatien  
 Deputy Minister  
 Natural Resources and Renewables

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2023 9:05 AM  
**To:** Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>; LeBlanc, Colton <COLTON@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Boomer, Rachel A <Rachel.Boomer@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Amirault, Denis <Denis.Amirault@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** HOLD: FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation status - Halifax Examiner

Hi Karen and Minister,

I just chatted with Peter Geddes on this, and we're going to try to adjust the response to give a little bit more context to the reporter. I will send around revised messages for your approval later today.

Thanks  
 Patricia

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2023 8:49 AM  
**To:** Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>; LeBlanc, Colton <COLTON@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Boomer, Rachel A <Rachel.Boomer@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Amirault, Denis <Denis.Amirault@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation status - Halifax Examiner

Hi Karen and Minister, for your approval please. As you know, media have continuously asked for the status of investigations, but we still have no info to give. 14(1)

14(1)

**Outlet/Reporter:** Halifax Examiner - 20(1)  
**Deadline:** end of day, Aug. 23

**Reporter's questions:** Can you let me know what DNRR knows about the cause of the Barrington Lake wildfire and Tantallon wildfire? RCMP tells me they are working with DNRR but the department is the lead on this file and info should come from you. What do you know 3 about the causes 3 months later?

**Strategy:** Statement

**Response:** Investigations are ongoing. There are no other details we can provide at this point.

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 24 Aug 2023 15:22:36 +0000  
**To:** chris.marshall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca; guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Chris and Gui, I hope this email finds you well.

As you know, we continue to get media calls asking for the status of the wildfire investigations. Our response until now has been, "Investigations are ongoing. There isn't any additional information we can provide at the moment."

I understand that there still isn't much we can tell media yet, however we're now expanding a bit on the response to at least tell them why, and give more context into the process.

Let us know if you have any concerns. I plan on responding to the reporter by 4pm this afternoon.

Thank you very much,  
 Patricia

**Outlet/Reporter:** Halifax Examiner - 20(1)

**Deadline:** end of day, Aug. 24

**Reporter's questions:** Can you let me know what DNRR knows about the cause of the Barrington Lake wildfire and Tantallon wildfire? RCMP tells me they are working with DNRR but the department is the lead on this file and info should come from you. What do you know 3 about the causes 3 months later?

**Strategy:** Statement

**Revised response:**

14(1)

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 24 Aug 2023 16:02:44 +0000  
**To:** chris.marshall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca; guillaume.c.tremblay@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** REVISED MESSAGES: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Chris,

FYI: [14(1)]

[14(1)]

Revised response for your information.

**Outlet/Reporter:** Halifax Examiner – [20(1)]

**Deadline:** end of day, Aug. 24

**Reporter's questions:** Can you let me know what DNRR knows about the cause of the Barrington Lake wildfire and Tantallon wildfire? RCMP tells me they are working with DNRR but the department is the lead on this file and info should come from you. What do you know 3 about the causes 3 months later?

**Strategy:** Statement

**Revised response:** [14(1)]

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 24 Aug 2023 18:19:02 +0000  
**To:** Geddes, Peter;Gatien, Karen M  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Thanks. Responding to reporter now. Thanks for everyone's help on this.

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**From:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 2:22 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Im good

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:58 PM  
**To:** Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Will do.

Peter, any concerns on your end?

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**From:** Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:58 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Yes, glad you checked. Please just let PO know why the change.

Karen

Karen M. Gatien  
Deputy Minister  
Natural Resources and Renewables

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:56 PM  
**To:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Gatien, Karen M <Karen.Gatien@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

14(1) Please see the thread below.

How about this as an alternate response:

14(1)

Thanks  
Patricia

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**From:** Hansen, Chris <Chris.Hansen@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:53 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Preeper, Andrew R <Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

14(1)

Thanks.

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:48:20 PM  
**To:** Hansen, Chris <Chris.Hansen@novascotia.ca>; Preeper, Andrew R <Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Chris, thank you. Are you ok with this revised response:

**Revised response:** 14(1)

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**From:** Hansen, Chris <Chris.Hansen@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:47 PM  
**To:** Preeper, Andrew R <Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca>; Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Patricia

14(1)

Thanks

Chris Hansen

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**From:** Preeper, Andrew R <[Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca](mailto:Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:42:37 PM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <[Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca](mailto:Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca)>  
**Cc:** Hansen, Chris <[Chris.Hansen@novascotia.ca](mailto:Chris.Hansen@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Patricia, by way of this email I'm looping in Chris Hansen at PPS. Chris, see below about a media request Natural Resources is handling. Thanks!

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**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <[Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca](mailto:Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 24, 2023 12:34 PM  
**To:** Preeper, Andrew R <[Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca](mailto:Andrew.Preeper@novascotia.ca)>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <[Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca](mailto:Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: DNRR Media Call: Halifax Examiner on wildfire investigation status

Hi Andrew!

I'm hoping you can share this with folks at the PPS.

We continue to get media calls asking for the status of the wildfire investigations. Our response until now has been, "Investigations are ongoing. There isn't any additional information we can provide at the moment."

There still isn't much we can tell media yet, however we're now expanding a bit on the response to at least tell them why, and give more context into the process.

We'd like to share the response with the PPS before responding to the reporter by 4pm this afternoon.

Thank you very much,  
 Patricia

**Outlet/Reporter:** Halifax Examiner – Jennifer Henderson  
**Deadline:** end of day, Aug. 24

**Reporter's questions:** 14(1)

14(1)

**Strategy:** Statement

**Revised response:** 14(1)

14(1)

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 24 Aug 2023 18:19:45 +0000  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Subject:** RE: Source or cause of May wildfires

Hi [REDACTED]

Investigations into the wildfires are ongoing. The Wildfire Cause and Origin Reports were completed by DNRR's Forest Protection staff and referred to the Department's Conservation Officer Service. Evidence continues to be gathered and analyzed. For wildfires, DNRR's Conservation Officers' authority to lay charges is pursuant the Forests Act. Any criminal charges would be the responsibility of police.

Thank you,  
Patricia

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**From:** [REDACTED]@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 23, 2023 7:33 AM  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** Source or cause of May wildfires

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Hi Patricia. Can you let me know what DNRR knows about the cause of the Barrington Lake wildfire and Tantallon wildfire? RCMP tells me they are working with DNRR but the department is the lead on this file and info should come from you. What do you know 3 about the causes 3 months later?

Regards, [REDACTED] or Halifax Examiner

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H  
**Sent:** Thu, 31 Aug 2023 11:05:33 +0000  
**To:** Doane, Kim A  
**Cc:** Boone, Shelly;Jreige, Patricia H;Delorey, Steven J;Boomer, Rachel A;Cuvelier, Pauline;Bolger, Joanne E  
**Subject:** FYI ONLY- Tantallon wildfire investigation - Saltwire

Again, this one is the same message used last week. Nothing new here. FYI only.

Patricia

**Outlet/Reporter:** Saltwire - 20(1)

**Reporter's questions:** and I'm working on a story for the Chronicle Herald about the Tantallon fire investigation. I was given your contact by the Department of Natural Resources, and I gave your number a call. I'd love to talk to you today about an update if that's possible.

**Strategy:** Statement

**Response:** Investigations into the wildfires are ongoing. The Wildfire Cause and Origin Reports were completed by DNRR's Forest Protection staff and referred to the Department's Conservation Officer Service. Evidence continues to be gathered and analyzed. For wildfires, DNRR's Conservation Officers' authority to lay charges is pursuant the Forests Act. Any criminal charges would be the responsibility of police.

**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Tue, 5 Sep 2023 19:00:53 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon wildfire status

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Excellent,  
Thanks Chris.

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**Sent:** September 1, 2023 3:51:33 PM

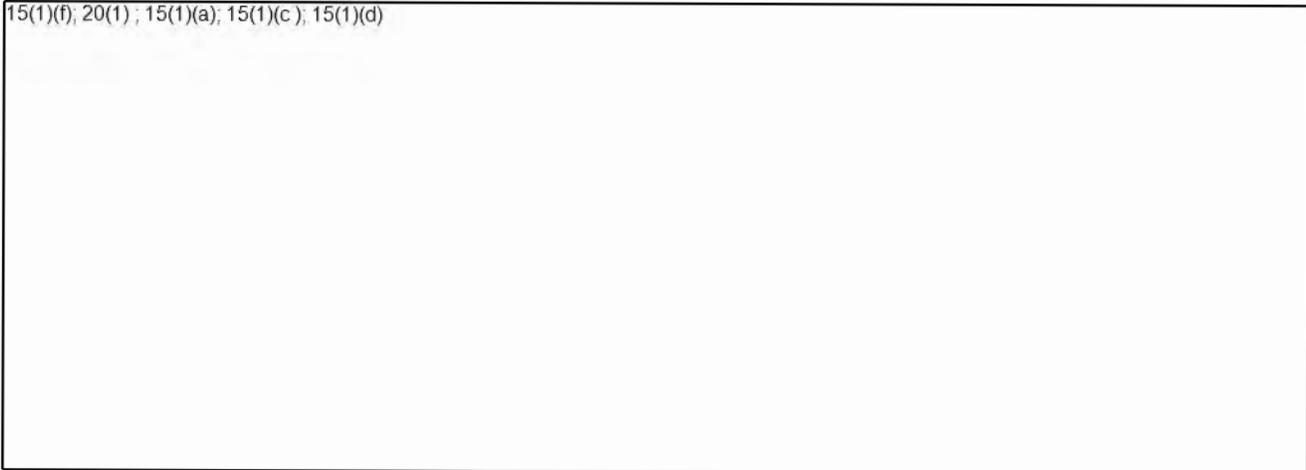
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Hi Dave

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Good morning Chris.

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Morning Dave

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Hi Chris,

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Thanks for your time.

Detective Constable David Clowater  
Halifax Regional Police  
CID -General Investigation Section  
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**From:** Rushton, Tory  
**Sent:** Wed, 6 Sep 2023 16:51:56 +0000  
**To:** Jreige, Patricia H;Geddes, Peter  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H;Poirier, Adele;Boone, Shelly;Cuvelier, Pauline;Bolger, Joanne E  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation & cause and origin report - Halifax Examiner

Good

**From:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 6, 2023 1:46:20 PM  
**To:** Geddes, Peter <Peter.Geddes@novascotia.ca>; Rushton, Tory <RUSHTOTO@novascotia.ca>  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H <Patricia.Jreige@novascotia.ca>; Poirier, Adele <Adele.Poirier@novascotia.ca>; Boone, Shelly <Shelly.Boone@novascotia.ca>; Cuvelier, Pauline <Pauline.Cuvelier@novascotia.ca>; Bolger, Joanne E <Joanne.Bolger@novascotia.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL - Wildfire investigation & cause and origin report - Halifax Examiner

Hi Minister,

Halifax Examiner has a follow-up question to their inquiry a couple of weeks ago on the wildfire investigation. Response below for your approval please. I have also shared this response with RCMP communications staff.

Thanks  
 Patricia

**Outlet/Reporter:** Halifax Examiner – 20(1)

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**Sent:** Wed, 6 Sep 2023 16:41:35 +0000  
**To:** chris.marshall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca  
**Cc:** Jreige, Patricia H;Poirier, Adele  
**Subject:** Media response - Wildfire investigation & cause and origin report - Halifax Examiner

Hi Chris,

We have a follow-up question from Halifax Examiner on the wildfire investigations. Please see our proposed response below.

Thanks  
Patricia

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**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Mon, 11 Sep 2023 09:51:26 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Re: Tantallon wildfire status

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Good morning, Chris.

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Thanks for your assistance and co-operation, stay safe.

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Thanks for your time.

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**From:** Bower, Rachel M  
**Sent:** Tue, 12 Sep 2023 19:42:15 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** FW: Question - [15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

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**Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2023 7:56 AM  
**To:** Bower, Rachel M <[Rachel.Bower@novascotia.ca](mailto:Rachel.Bower@novascotia.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Question - [15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

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Hey Rachel, sorry for the delay. It's been crazy busy over here the past week. [15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

[15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

In your service,

Cpl. Byron Mercer

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**From:** Bower, Rachel M <Rachel.Bower@novascotia.ca>

**Sent:** August 22, 2023 3:37 PM

**To:** Mercer, Byron <byron.mercer@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Subject:** RE: Question [redacted]; 15(1)(d)

Hello again Byron,

Thanks for the call today. [redacted]

[redacted]

Feel free to call to discuss. Thanks again for your time.



Rachel Bower  
Conservation Officer  
Natural Resources and Renewables

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**From:** Bower, Rachel M

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2023 11:46 AM

To: [byron.mercer@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:byron.mercer@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

Subject: Question - [15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

Hi Byron,

I am a Conservation Officer for the Department of Natural Resources, and I was hoping you might be able to answer a few of questions [15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)]

If you can call me at 902-219-2900, it would be much appreciated.

Thanks in advance for your help!

**NOVA SCOTIA**



Rachel Bower  
Conservation Officer  
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**From:** Clowater, David  
**Sent:** Tue, 20 Jun 2023 23:37:15 +0000  
**To:** MacLean, Christopher  
**Subject:** Tantallon fire info  
**Attachments:** 15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)

15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)

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Hi Chris,

Here's what I have and some additional info if you choose to use some of it. I'll be sending a few emails because the attachments are too large.

15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)

15(1)(f); 15(1)(a); 20(1); 15(1)(c); 15(1)(d)

I'm working 1700-0300 this week, Monday Tuesday and Friday Saturday so feel free to call me any time or day and if I can't answer I'll get back to you, just leave a voice mail or text. 902-497-0327.

Next week I'm in Tuesday-Friday 1500-0100.

If you need something delivered in person I'll arrange it or I'll pop in the office early and meet you.

Detective Constable David Clowater  
Halifax Regional Police  
CID -General Investigation Section  
Squad 2

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15(1)(f) ; 15(1)(a) ; 20(1) ; 15(1)(c) ; 15(1)(d)



Royal Canadian Gendarmerie royale  
Mounted Police du Canada

Your file Votre référence

Our file Notre référence  
A-2023-10237

2023-12-12

[Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

This is in response to your request under the Access to Information Act dated October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to obtain:

Please review the request for information regarding the Tantallon Wildfires investigation that started on May 28, 2023. Under the freedom of information act I am requesting this information be sent to me as there may be a class action negligence lawsuit filed against the person who started this fire which caused hundreds of millions of dollars in damages

RCMP Tantallon, Nova Scotia.

Re: Cause/criminal investigation into the wildfires in Tantallon, including the Department of Natural Resources Report. Was the accused charged having a fire during a ban? or were fines laid?

Based on the information provided, a search for records was conducted in Tantallon, Nova Scotia. Please note that some of the information qualifies for exemption pursuant to subsection 19(1) and subparagraph 16(1)(a)(i) of the Act. Enclosed is a copy of all the information to which you are entitled. A description of the exemptions can be found at: <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-1>.

Of note, subsection 19(2) was considered but does not apply in this instance.

Please be advised that you are entitled to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner concerning the processing of your request within 60 days of receipt of this notice. In the event you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint should be addressed to:

Office of Information Commissioner of Canada  
30 Victoria Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 1H3

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, you may contact Steven McMurtry at [steven.mcmurtry@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:steven.mcmurtry@rcmp-grc.gc.ca). Please quote the file number appearing on this letter.

Regards,

[Redacted signature]

Curtis Mathews, Director  
Access to Information and Privacy Branch  
Mailstop #61  
73 Leikin Drive  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0R2



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (INTELLIGENCE)

GO# HP 2023-64108  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### General Occurrence Information

<b>Main offence</b>	INTELLIGENCE - COMPLETED	
<b>Operational status</b>	NO FURTHER ACTION	
<b>Location</b>	District HE Zone E3 Atom E302	
<b>Approved on</b>	2023-JUN-01	<b>By</b> R51602 - BAKER, NICHOLAS
<b>Reported On</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-MAY-31 10:04	
<b>Occurred On</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-MAY-31 10:04	
<b>Submitted By</b>	CR243 - FERGUSON, SUSAN	
<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / SACKVILLE OFFICE	
<b>Lead Investigator</b>	R51602 - BAKER, NICHOLAS	

### CCJS Information

<b>CCJS Status</b>	INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCE
<b>Offences committed</b>	INTELLIGENCE - COMPLETED
<b>Location type</b>	UNKNOWN



HRM POLICE  
GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(INTELLIGENCE)

GO# HP 2023-64108  
NO FURTHER ACTION

**Related Narrative(s)**

**Type** INITIAL OFFICERS REPORT - 1

**Subject** SNAPCHAT OF FIRE

**Author** CR243 FERGUSON, SUSAN

**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-MAY-31 10:06

The Complainant, called the TRU to report receiving a snapchat video which depicts how the wildfire started. Writer will attach the video to the file. Reporting for our information only.

Please assign to a member as appropriate for follow up.

Susan Ferguson  
TRU

**Type** QA (READER) COMMENTS - 1

**Subject** INFORMATION DOCUMENTED

**Author** R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS

**Related date/time** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:29

File and video reviewed. Video does not identify location or parties involved, therefore it would be impossible to determine if this was actually the cause of the main wildfire in Westwood.

File documented and concluded.

Sgt. Nick Baker  
Watch 4 - QA  
Halifax District RCMP



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (INTELLIGENCE)

GO# HP 2023-64108  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### Related Clearance Information

<b>Agency</b>	HRM POLICE	<b>CCJS Status</b>	INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCEED
<b>Cleared on</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01		
<b>Cleared by Officer(s)</b>	BAKER, NICHOLAS		
<b>Complainant/Victim notified</b>	NO		
<b>Type</b>	CONCLUDING REPORT - 1		
<b>Subject</b>	CONCLUDING REPORT		
<b>Author</b>	R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS		
<b>Related date/time</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:41		
CASE CLOSURE JUSTIFICATION ( Conclusion Block )			
Documentation			
DS (Documents submitted) [NO ] (Specify in remarks)			
Operational Status -- Enter one of the following four codes [N ]			
C - CHARGED (Adult or Young Person)			
O - CLEARED OTHERWISE (sufficient evidence to lay charges, but no charges will be laid -- Clarify Reason in the Cleared Otherwise Reason section below)			
N - NO FURTHER ACTION (insufficient evidence to proceed at this time)			
U - UNFOUNDED			
Cleared Otherwise Reason -- If the Operational Status is O, enter the applicable reason code [ ]			
N - ACCUSED ALREADY IN JAIL			
J - ACCUSED COMMITTED TO MENTAL INST.			
M - ACCUSED INVOLVED IN OTHER INCIDENT.			
I - ACCUSED LESS THAN 12 YRS. OLD			
K - ACCUSED OUT OF COUNTRY, CANNOT BE RETURNED			
L - COMPLAINANT DECLINES TO LAY CHARGES			
E - DEATH OF ACCUSED (NOT SUICIDE)			
F - DEATH OF COMPLAINANT OR WITNESS			
O - DEPARTMENTAL DISCRETION			
H - DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY			
R - DIVERSIONARY PROGRAM			
G - REASON BEYOND POLICE CONTROL (I.E. POLICY)			
D - SUICIDE OF ACCUSED			
CONCLUDING REMARKS: [Information passed on possibly in relation to fires, but nothing to corroborate same. NFAR. CH]			



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (INTELLIGENCE)

GO# HP 2023-64108  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### Related Follow Up(s)

#### FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 1

##### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to	R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS	Rank	SERGEANT-RCMP
Capacity	ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR	Org Unit	PATROL / 4 WATCH SACKVILLE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:31	By	R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS
Report due on	FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-02		

##### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:31		
Checked by	R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS		
Approved on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01	By	R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS
Followup status	CONCLUDED		

##### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (INTELLIGENCE)

GO# HP 2023-64108  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### Related Follow Up(s)

#### FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 1

##### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

**Assigned to** R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS  
**Capacity** ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR  
**Assigned on** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:31  
**Report due on** FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-02

**Rank** SERGEANT-RCMP  
**Org Unit** PATROL / 4 WATCH SACKVILLE  
**By** R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS

##### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

**Submitted on** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 16:31  
**Checked by** R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS  
**Approved on** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01  
**Followup status** CONCLUDED

**By** R51602 BAKER, NICHOLAS

##### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

**Notified** NO



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST CITIZEN)

GO# HP 2023-70670  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### General Occurrence Information

<b>Main offence</b>	ASSIST CITIZEN - COMPLETED	
<b>Operational status</b>	NO FURTHER ACTION	
<b>Location</b>	25 JUNE BERRY LANE UPPER TANTALLON	
	District TA Zone HAM Atom HAM	
<b>Approved on</b>	2023-AUG-07	<b>By</b> R54505 - ALLISON, JOSEPH
<b>Reported On</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-14 21:00	
<b>Occurred On</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-14 21:00	
<b>Submitted By</b>	R61984 - MACIVER, SHANE	
<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / 1 WATCH TANTALLON	
<b>Lead Investigator</b>	R61984 - MACIVER, SHANE	

### CCJS Information

<b>CCJS Status</b>	INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCE
<b>Offences committed</b>	ASSIST CITIZEN - COMPLETED
<b>Location type</b>	DWELLING UNIT
<b>OCSG Involvement</b>	NOT ORGANIZED CRIME NOR STREET GANG
<b>Cyber Crime Indicator</b>	NO
<b>Hate Crime Indicator</b>	NO
<b>Family violence</b>	NO

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50hrs

.-Please route to GIS, so they are aware. Sgt Stewart's squad is handling i  
d D/Cst. Clowater is the lead investigator.

d of involement.

t. MACIVER  
ntallon W1

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# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST CITIZEN)

GO# HP 2023-70670  
NO FURTHER ACTION

File concluded.

Sgt. Jody Allison  
Watch #1 QA  
Halifax District RCMP

**Type** SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS - 1  
**Subject** SC GIS FILE REVIEW  
**Author** R49810 STEWART, JASON  
**Related date/time** FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-23 18:57

GIS file review - Assist Citizen call routed to GIS as it relates to wild fire. Cst MacIver in conjunction with Sgt Allison took the most appropriate route in dealing with this investigation, by '

As GIS; D/Cst Clowater, has the Tantallon Fire investigation a notify (as per Cst MacIver's conclusion block) was warranted to ensure GIS had full knowledge around their investigation. However GIS will not engage in an assist citizen call and a civil matter about 'slander' - which is defamation.

File returned to GD for completion. (task assigned to D/Cst Clowater closed as this was created in error).

J.A.Stewart,Sgt 49810  
GIS - Squad 2



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST CITIZEN)

GO# HP 2023-701  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### Related Clearance Information

<b>Agency</b>	HRM POLICE	<b>CCJS Status</b>	INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCEED
<b>Cleared on</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-14		
<b>Cleared by Officer(s)</b>	MACIVER, SHANE		
<b>Complainant/Victim notified</b>	YES	<b>How</b>	TELEPHONE
<b>Notified on</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-14 22:53	<b>By</b>	MACIVER, SHANE

**Type** CONCLUDING REPORT - 1  
**Subject** CONCLUDING REPORT\_HP  
**Author** R61984 MACIVER, SHANE  
**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-14 22:53  
CASE CLOSURE JUSTIFICATION ( Conclusion Block )

#### Documentation

DS (Documents submitted) [NO ] (Specify in remarks)

Operational Status -- Enter one of the following four codes [N ]

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- H - DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY
- R - DIVERSIONARY PROGRAM
- G - REASON BEYOND POLICE CONTROL (I.E. POLICY)
- D - SUICIDE OF ACCUSED

#### CONCLUDING REMARKS:

[Related to cantillon wildfire. Notify to GIS.]



# HRM POLICE

GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(ASSIST CITIZEN)

GO# HP 2023-70670  
NO FURTHER ACTION

## Related Follow Up(s)

### FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 1

#### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to 867075 CLOWATER, DAVID  
Capacity ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR  
Assigned on WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-21 08:16  
Report due on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-30

Rank DETECTIVE CONSTABLE-HRP  
Org Unit CID / GIS / SQUAD2  
By 863601 CLYKE, BOBBY

#### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-23 19:07  
Checked by R49810 STEWART, JASON  
Approved on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-23  
Followup status CONCLUDED

By R49810 STEWART, JASON

#### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

### FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 2 SEE GIS REVIEW

#### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R21984 MACIVER, SHANE  
Capacity ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR  
Assigned on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-23 19:07  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUL-13  
Remarks SEE GIS REVIEW

Rank CONSTABLE-RCMP  
Org Unit PATROL / 1 WATCH TANTALLON  
By R49810 STEWART, JASON

#### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on MONDAY, 2023-AUG-07  
Checked by R54505 ALLISON, JOSEPH  
Approved on MONDAY, 2023-AUG-07  
Followup status CONCLUDED

By R54505 ALLISON, JOSEPH

#### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

### FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 3 PER GIS - CONTACT SOC / UPDATE COM

#### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R51984 MACIVER, SHANE  
Capacity ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR  
Assigned on TUESDAY, 2023 JUL-25 02:49  
Report due on TUESDAY, 2023-AUG-08  
Remarks PER GIS - CONTACT SOC / UPDATE COM

Rank CONSTABLE RCMP  
Org Unit PATROL / 1 WATCH TANTALLON  
By R55923 POLLOCK, STEVE

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# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST CITIZEN)

GO# HP 2023-70670  
NO FURTHER ACTION

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

**Submitted on** TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-25 02:50  
**Checked by** R56923 POLLOCK, STEVE  
**Approved on** TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-25 **By** R56923 POLLOCK, STEVE  
**Followup status** CONCLUDED

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

**Notified** NO



**HRM POLICE  
GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))  
GO# HP 2023-62892**

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# HRM POLICE

GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

## General Occurrence Information

<b>Main offence</b>	ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE) - COMPLETED
<b>Operational status</b>	NO FURTHER ACTION
<b>Location</b>	District TA Zone HAM Atom HAM
<b>Reported On</b>	SUNDAY, 2023-MAY-28 15:30
<b>Occurred On</b>	SUNDAY, 2023-MAY-28 15:30
<b>Submitted By</b>	R61020 - LAHAIE, JUSTIN
<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / 2 WATCH TANTALLON
<b>Lead Investigator</b>	867075 - CLOWATER, DAVID

## CCJS Information

<b>CCJS Status</b>	INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCE
<b>Offences committed</b>	ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE) - COMPLETED
<b>Location type</b>	SINGLE HOME, HOUSE



# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

**Author** R68270 INGLES, RYAN

**Related date/time** MONDAY, 2023-JUN-05 07:52

2023/06/05 0752hrs.

On May 28th, 2023, I, Cst. Ryan INGLES was on duty with the Lower Sackville RCMP. While on duty, the Tantallon RCMP was responding to reports of a spreading fire in the Westwood neighbourhood of Upper Tantallon. Hearing that the fire was quickly spreading, I headed towards Tantallon to assist, with supervisor approval.

Upon arriving on scene, Cst. Chelsea KENNEY, Cst. Scott MURRAY, Cst. Justin LAHAIE, Cst. Jeff REID and myself scrambled to begin evacuating homes in the neighbourhood as the fire quickly enveloped the neighbourhood, taking out forestry and structures.

Throughout the afternoon I continued evacuating houses, running door to door and driving through neighbourhoods, ensuring every home had been evacuated.

As evacuation efforts continued in the Westwood subdivision, the fire jumped and began spreading at the next subdivision over along Hammonds Plains Rd. Evacuations continued throughout the afternoon and into the evening. This consisted of going door to door and ensuring there was no one remaining in residences, as well as directing traffic in a manner to optimize efficiency to clear out the area of potential harm towards lives.

These efforts continued into dusk as the fire continued to spread down Hammonds Plains Road, jumping over to Yankeetown and over the Pockwock and Glen Arbour areas.

The fire extended out to the point of evacuation on Lucasville Rd. between Hammonds Plains Rd. and Old Sackville Rd. I assisted with the evacuation of residents, taking said residents and pets to nearby warming shelters at the Beaver Bank - Kinsac Community Centre and the Canada Games Centre, until I was relieved by night shift members to continue the evacuations at 2345hrs.

On May 29, 2023 I continued with assisting the fire, manning the checkpoint located at Old Sackville Rd. and Lucasville Rd. throughout the morning and parts of the afternoon. This continued again until relieved by nightshift members.

While at this post, I provided escorts to residents in the area to get pets that were left, as well as to get urgent medications that residents required. This was as per S/Sgt. Geoff SANFORD's direction.

Resident's who attended to obtain personal belongings that were not essential were turned around.

On June 2nd, 2023, I worked at the Winslow St. checkpoint in Hammonds Plains to keep traffic from entering the evacuation zone from 18:30hrs. until 07:15hrs. On June 3rd.

Search and Rescue was on scene with police at the checkpoint until midnight, and I worked the remainder of the shift without assistance. No cars came through my checkpoint through the night that were not directed to do so or did not have access to the evacuation area (all vehicles with the fire department).

End of member involvement in this matter.

Cst. R.M.A. INGLES  
68270  
LSW3

**Type** INITIAL OFFICERS REPORT - 2

**Subject** A/CPL. LAHAIE ACTIONS

**Author** R61020 LAHAIE, JUSTIN

**Related date/time** MONDAY, 2023-JUN-05 09:32

2023-05-28



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GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

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On this date, at approximately 1530, dispatch aired a call regarding what was initially thought as a brush fire in Westwood. Cst. Lahaie took the call.

It seemed less than a minute later, dispatch updated that there were now explosions that were heard. Following this update, Cst. Lahaie requested over the radio additional members to attend from Lower Sackville. Shortly after this request, dispatch advised that there were now structure fires being reported. Given the unfolding updates, Cst. Lahaie requested more resources deployed to Westwood.

Cst. Reid and Cst. Kenney were nearby Westwood and attended. Cst. Lahaie was a couple minutes away. Cst. Lahaie directed Cst. Reid to set up a checkpoint at Westwood and Oceanstone and Cst. Kenney at Westwood and Wyndham to assist with traffic flow out of the area/evacuation.

While en-route, Cst. Lahaie noted an immense plume of smoke from the Westwood area. Cst. Lahaie arrived a couple minutes after the dispatched call and met with a firefighter at Westwood and Tattingstone. A short conversation was had about evacuations and Cst. Lahaie aired about evacuating Westwood area.

Cst. Lahaie was aware of the area as this is Cst. Lahaie's detachment zone. Cst. Lahaie was aware there are two exit/entries into Westwood area; Westwood Blvd and Winslow Drive. At this time, there were only Cst. Lahaie, Cst. Reid and Cst. Kenney within Westwood therefore Cst. Lahaie set up an evacuation check point at Windbreak Run and Hemlock. Cst. Lahaie could observe the smoke and fire moving east from Westwood/Tattingstone toward Hemlock and there was an immediate need to evacuate homes on Hemlock.

There was a large amount of traffic on Hemlock coming to Windbreak Run, which was affecting the evacuation. Cst. Lahaie was directing persons to either leave Windbreak towards Westwood, either to head further towards the dead end of Westwood or attempt to leave via Westwood as it was becoming clear Hemlock was no longer passable.

Once traffic slowed somewhat on Hemlock at Windbreak, Cst. Lahaie ran to several homes on Hemlock to evacuate residents. Cst. Lahaie was at several homes on Hemlock that became completely engulfed as flames were coming from their backyards. Cst. Lahaie yelled inside these homes to evacuate immediately and it became clear there were no residents.

At this time, additional resources were becoming available from Lower Sackville. Cst. Kyle Smith attendend and Cst. Lahaie directed Cst. Smith to set up at Hemlock and Wyndham to assist in traffic and evacuation.

Additional resources became available and Cst. Lahaie was aware that there was a requirement to stop traffic coming into Westwood subdivision. Cst. Lahaie directed members (cannot remember whom) to set up a check point at the bottom end of Westwood, near Hemlock, and another member at Winslow and Hammonds Plains, to stop traffic from coming through there.

While Cst. Lahaie was at Windbreak Run and Hemlock, Cst. Lahaie could observe Cst. Reid at Windbreak/Oceanstone and Westwood. Cst. Reid appeared to be directing persons to leave via Hemlock due to Westwood being engulfed and not passable. At this point, Cst. Lahaie observed that Hemlock was also completely engulfed and thus was directing persons not to evacuate via Hemlock. It became apparent at this time that both Hemlock and Westwood were impassible and persons not already evacuated further up Westwood were advised to stay put until routes become clear and safe to pass.

While at Windbreak and Hemlock, Cst. Lahaie had a clear view of where the fire and smoke were heading. It appeared that the smoke and fire was travelling eastward, towards what Cst. Lahaie believed to be the next subdivision (Carmel Cres/Hummingbird). Between 1600 and 1630, Cst. Lahaie radioed to dispatch over the air to send an alert to advise residents of that subdivision to possibly evacuate as the fire appeared to be heading in that direction. Cst. Lahaie also aired that Pockwock would likely be in that path as well and also radioed to possibly alert Pockwock residents.

Shortly after 1700, Cst. Lahaie heard dispatch advise that there were now reports of structure fires being reported on Carmel Crescent. It became evident that an evacuation was needed for that subdivision and Cst. Lahaie requested members to attend that location for the evacuation. At around this time, Cst. Lahaie learned that Westwood was now clear enough to continue evacuating the remaining residents. There were no longer any persons or traffic at Windbreak and Hemlock and therefore Cst. Lahaie assisted Cst. Reid at Oceanstone and Westwood to evacuate the remaining persons stuck on Westwood and Oceanstone.

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After several minutes, Westwood appeared to have been evacuated and Cst. Lahaie directed resources to assist in the evacuation of the Carmel Crescent subdivision. Cst. Lahaie attempted to leave Westwood, along with other members still in Westwood however Hemlock was still engulfed and not passable. Fire department had numerous fire trucks and hoses blocking Westwood, making Westwood impassible again for members to leave to assist in evacuating. Cst. Lahaie requested several fire personnel to move their hoses so that members could attend other evac zones.

Over the radio, Cst. Lahaie understood that there were additional members already deployed to Hammonds Plains and Northwood/Rockcliffe. Hammonds Plains was becoming an issue with traffic due to the congestion. At some point, a decision was made to make Hammonds Plains towards Tantallon escapable with two lanes of traffic. At this time, Cst. Lahaie noted that there was a checkpoint at Hammonds Plains and Westwood, preventing traffic from going back up towards Hammonds Plains although some civilians were persistent and avoided the road block causing traffic issues on Hammonds Plains.

Cst. Lahaie went back and forth between road blocks on Hammonds Plains assisting wherever. At this time, numerous personnel from around the district not already on duty were arriving to Tantallon to offer assistance. Cst. Lahaie met with some of these members and directed them to positions where they could be best utilized given Cst. Lahaie's knowledge of the area and where road blocks were already set up. Cst. Lahaie also facilitated some of these members with PC's to utilize.

After a while, Hammonds Plains became clear of traffic and Cst. Lahaie attended with Cst. Scott Murray (two in a PC) to head towards Glen Arbour to assist in the evacuation of that subdivision. There was a large amount of traffic however, after opening both lanes to be exited, it flowed rather quickly and efficiently.

After several hours of assisting with evacuating Glen Arbour, Cst. Lahaie attended Indigo Shores in Lower Sackville to assist in the evac in that area. Cst. Lahaie remained for approximately 1hr until proper resources were in place to effect the remainder of the evacuation.

Cst. Lahaie returned to the Tantallon detachment and ended shift at approximately 2330 (regular shift ended at 1900).

Documentation of initial actions on first day of Tantallon fire - (A/Cpl.) Cst. Lahaie #61020

Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 1  
Subject CST JANELLE INVOLVEMENT  
Author R58048 JANELLE, PIERRE-OLIVER  
Related date/time WEDNESDAY, 2023-MAY-31 11:20

May 31st 2023 Police requested to attend Hammonds Plains NS  
to remove residence from his residence during state of emergency, evacuation  
order.



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Cst JANELLE  
58048/183934  
HRM RCMP W2

Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 2  
Subject CST JANELLE INVOLVEMENT  
Author R58048 JANELLE, PIERRE-OLIVER  
Related date/time WEDNESDAY, 2023-MAY-31 14:12

May 31st 2023 Police attended Stillwater Lake NS at the request of FIRE to remove home owner during evacuation order because of local wildfire.

Cst JANELLE conducted a door knock and no one came to the door.

Cst JANELLE peeked through the windows and could not see anyone inside.

Cst JANELLE confirmed that FIRE had seen the home owner.

At this time Police is not doing force entry to enforce the emergency act.

Concluded here.

Cst JANELLE  
58048/183934  
HRM RCMP W2

Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 3  
Subject EVACUATION  
Author R65656 KENNEY, CHELSEA  
Related date/time SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04 08:56

2023-05-28

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# HRM POLICE

GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY  
(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

Cst. KENNEY was dispatched to the fire and made an immediate patrol to Westwood Blvd and started blocking off traffic at Westwood/Wyndham Drive. It was clear that the fire was spreading rapidly and had already engulfed the Juneberry Lane area and the fire had crossed to the East and some homes on Westwood Blvd started to catch fire. At this point more fire trucks were arriving and the fire was starting to spread so police started evacuating all neighbouring streets. Cst. KENNEY was blocking the road

Cst. KENNEY went over the air multiple times to see if anyone could confirm they evacuated that male. After no replies Cst. KENNEY went up to Ranchwood which was already starting to catch fire.

Cst. KENNEY stated that was not going to happen as the firefighters were already struggling to contain the rapid fire. Cst. KENNEY went back to Wyndham Drive and got Cst. INGLES to help.

Cst. KENNEY was instructed to start evacuating people on Falcourt as they would become trapped soon because of the fire. While getting halfway on the Wets side of the street, Police had to fall back and continue with the other closer streets. Cst. KENNEY then learned the next subdivision was on fire so Cst. KENNEY drove to Carmel Crescent where the smoke was already too thick to proceed through that loop and the fire was already engulfing homes. Cst. KENNEY and other members were evacuating Carmel Cres, Kata Court, Hummingbird Lane, Haverstock Drive and Shelby Drive until the smoke and fire were too close. There was a significant back up of cars trying to leave the area.

Cst. KENNEY then was tasked with trying to attend the Pockwock area but while driving on Hammonds Plains by Yankeetown the fire was on both sides of the road, and a fireball crossed Cst. KENNEY's path leaving it too unsafe to cross. Cst. KENNEY then helped out at the checkpoint at Hammonds Plains and Northwood to channel traffic back toward Tantallon.

Once Pockwock was confirmed in the danger zone multiple members had to get to the other side by taking the 103/102 highway. Cst. KENNEY, Cst. INGLES, Cst. POWER and Cst. GRAHAM all took the highway and then started evacuating people from the Pockwock, Glen Arbour, Whit Hills subdivision. Eventually the fire too was spreading toward McCabe Lake. Cst. KENNEY, Cst. SMITH and Cst. POWER jumped ahead and started evacuating McCabe Lake Drive until dayshift were advised they could head home just after 2200hrs.

Cst. Chelsea KENNEY  
65656 W3/SA

Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 5  
Subject SUPP - ATTENDANCE/ACTIONS  
Author R57101 MAHAR, JEFFERY  
Related date/time SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04 10:32

2023/05/28 1530hrs

Writer on duty working a modified shift due to Court duties the following morning; Learned of this call via Police Radio while on follow up in HRP Central area - En route to assist immediately.

1549hrs - Arrived to the area of Westwood Boulevard in Tantallon where traffic leaving the area was beginning to build. Heavy smoke and flames was encountered near the area of Westwood Boulevard and Wyndham Drive, forcing the writer to turn onto Wyndham Drive. Writer began assisting in the evacuations of area homes, first being flagged down by an female who indicated her husband was still at her residence. Upon turning onto Ranch Wood Lane, large flames and extremely heavy smoke to the North/West. Residents of I were directed to leave immediately.



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NO FURTHER ACTION

Not Approved

Writer then proceeded to Hemlock Drive in the immediate direction of the wind and likely direction of the fire, where very large flames, extreme heat and dense smoke were encountered. Door knocks were conducted at various addresses along Hemlock Drive and numerous civilians lingering were directed to leave.

Writer then conducted door knocks and evacuations for all homes on Windbreak Run from Westwood Boulevard East, where again a variety of persons were directed to evacuate immediately.

Assistance was then rendered with patrols and traffic direction in the Westwood Boulevard area, during which time several pets were collected and delivered to their owners as well as a mother and her 3 children

Subsequent fires began to occur in the Carmel Crescent area, at which point writer re-directed there to assist in evacuation efforts.

Door knocks were conducted along the entirety of Sylvania Crescent and any remaining were directed to leave immediately. An elderly female and her son were transported out of the area due to mobility issues.

Writer then assisted in directing traffic in the area of Northwood Road and Hammonds Plains Road, also attempting to respond to requests to assist residents on Yankee Town Road but encountering large walls of flame on both sides of the road and zero visibility due to smoke.

Continued to assist with the evacuation of the Glen Arbour/White Hills/Lucasville areas.

No other notable involvement this date as writer was off shift by 0200hrs to attend court.

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MAHAR, J.A.(Cst.) 57101

Watch 1 - Lower Sackville

<b>Type</b>	SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 4
<b>Subject</b>	MACIVER ACTIONS
<b>Author</b>	R61984 MACIVER, SHANE
<b>Related date/time</b>	SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04 10:36

2023/05/28

I was off duty and scheduled to work night shift for Tantallon detachment at 1800hrs, and became aware of a fire occurring in the subdivision of Westwood blvd. I departed my residence early and took highway 103 to Hammonds Plains road. I eventually hit a stand still of traffic, where other members were attempting to evacuate Northwood road subdivision. It was complete chaos with a number of civilians trying to drive up the shoulder of the road, or exiting their vehicle and running through the traffic towards the subdivision. I observed Cst. Erika Vekeman attempting to direct traffic, however a number of vehicles were doing the opposite of what she was telling them to do, and thus congesting the traffic trying to exit the subdivision. As this was occurring the smoke crossing hammonds plains road was getting heavier, and ash materiel was landing on my truck. From the speed the smoke was rising to my right, it was obvious that the fire was spreading through the subdivision rapidly, and would likely be hitting hammonds plains road.

Once I got through the traffic and got to the detachment, I geared up and located on duty member Cst. Reid. Myself and Cst. Bousquet got into Cst. Reids vehicle, as there were no other police vehicles available. At this time on the radio, we could hear that the Northwood Subdivision had been burned, and the fire had spread across Hammond's Plains road onto Yankeetown road.

The 3 of us proceeded to do Stillwater Lake subdivision, starting at Brighton Ave, and began going door to door telling people to evacuate, as a change in wind direction could have quickly had the fire consume this area as well. Most people were already prepared and packed to leave, and began texting neighbors. All residents were very receptive to leaving, with the exception of an older male,



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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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We continued this for a number of hours, until direction was given to evacuate Voyageur way, followed by indigo shores.

Cst. MACIVER  
Tantallon W1

Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 6  
 Subject SR - SMITH  
 Author R55567 SMITH, KYLE  
 Related date/time MONDAY, 2023-JUN-05 15:45  
 2023-05-28

WRITER was working general duties in Lower Sackville and heard this call come in over west air. WRITER also heard the TA supervisor looking for additional resources from Sackville. WRITER volunteered to go and was directed into the Westwood Subdivision to Hemlock and Wyndam where the fire appeared to be spreading.

While at this location the fire was rushing towards WRITER forcing him to reposition closer to High Timber and begin the evacuation of the houses along Hemlock. WRITER was then assigned to begin the evacuation of the houses on High Timber along with HRP K9 unit as well as the private laneway Perennial Lane and Summit Cres.

WRITER located two youth at \_\_\_\_\_ who were unable to get out and transported them to the staging area at Westwood by Hammonds Plains where their mother was waiting.

WRITER returned to Hemlock and High Timber and continued the evacuation process with Cst. POWER along Hemlock, Parklyn Crt., and Winslow Dr., to Hammonds Plains Rd., all residents evacuated.

WRITER was then requested to head to Pockwock Rd., and White Hills/Glenarbour to assist with traffic and evacuation.

WRITER assisted with the road being converted to one way traffic both lanes exiting the White Hills subdivision through Glen Arbour as Pockwock was impassible due to the fire.

WRITER was posted at Glen Arbour Way and Thompson Run directing traffic out of the subdivision.

Upon clearing this area WRITER was assigned to attend Indigo Shores in Middle Sackville with Cst. KENNEY and POWER to begin the evacuation of that neighbourhood.

At approximately 2145-2200 WRITER and other dayshift members were advised to return to the office and sign off allowing night shift and OT resources to take over the incident.

End of WRITER's involvement.

K. SMITH Cst.  
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(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 27  
**Subject** ASSAULT  
**Author** R53138 VEKEMAN, ERIKA

**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-13 17:15

2023-05-28

Cst. Vekeman was assisting with traffic control during the wildfire evacuation at Hammonds Plains Rd and Rockcliffe Dr with Cst. Sanderson. The wildfire at this time had spread from Westwood Blvd along the Hammonds Plains road towards Pockwock Road and was growing exponentially by the moment. Cst. Vekeman was in the middle of the road which was smoke infested. Cst. Sanderson was directing traffic coming from Rockcliffe Dr onto Hammonds Plains, while Cst. Vekeman was directing the traffic that was already on Hammonds Plains going towards Hwy 103. Cars were backed up and people were acting very erratic, yelling out the windows, some were crying and honking horns in an attempt to get out of the area faster.

Given the mass amounts of people trying to evacuate traffic was at a stand still as people were also fleeing Westwood Blvd. Cst. Vekeman was approached by a young female asking for water, she approached on foot via the shoulder of the road with a green gatorade water bottle in her hands. Cst. Vekeman motioning to the girl by pointing back towards the way she had come from. Cst. Vekeman told her it was too dangerous and she would give her water as the vehicle she was in passed by. The young female retreated. Vehicles at that moment began moving again.

Cst. Vekeman continued directing traffic. Motorists were yelling and beeping horns and one motorist was crying as she passed by. The smoke was thickening and at that time it was reported that the Highland Park subdivision was on fire and those residents were being evacuated as soon as anyone could get to them.

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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At that time, Sgt. Prasad returned to his vehicle and Cst. Vekeman continued directing traffic.

Cst. Vekeman  
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(ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 13  
**Subject** SGT. ALLISON PATROLS/EVACUATION/TRAFFIC POINTS  
**Author** R54505 ALLISON, JOSEPH  
**Related date/time** FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-16 04:23

20230528

1740

After evacuating my residence writer attended Tantallon Detachment to assist in the wildfires(Regular scheduled shift).

Assisted in traffic control movement at the corner of Hammonds Plains and Winslow Dr. Attempted to have two lanes of traffic travel through the intersection to keep a flow as the fire was jumping Hammonds plains Rd and cars were catching on fire.

Smoke was very heavy in areas. Once vehicles moved from HP Road Tantallon side writer attended the Pockwock Rd/Glen Arbour area to assist in evacuation. HRP units assisted in the evacuation.

Again two lanes of traffic redirected out HP road toward Bedford. Numerous vehicles trying to get out of Glen Arbour as fire had come up to Pockwock and was burning in Bonzai St area. GSAR was asked to move to another area as the flames were heading toward the Irving Gas station and it was in danger of catching fire and possibly exploding. Heavy smoke was in the area throughout.

Once that was completed writer was put in charge of evacuating Haliburton Hills with the assistance of HRP units.

During the evening/early morning there were several motorists and home owners were refusing to leave tying up valuable resources.

Writer and Sgt. Carmichael hauled the burnt BMW from HP road as it was a hazard for police and fire as no one could see due to the heavy smoke.

0400

Writer noted that there was a fire near Sheltered Lane. Several homes very close by. Requested fire who attended and knocked the flames down however spent considerable time in the area.

0730

Ended shift.

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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20230529

1730

Roving area checking for hotspots. Several persons taken in for meds ect. Very heavy smoke throughout the night. Numerous patrols to check for homes to make sure they were still intact.

0700

Ended shift.

20230531

1800 HX08N

Roving patrols. Taking people in to their homes. Daycare required epi pens ect from their location.

Spent the rest of the night at checkpoint HP road and 103.

0800

Ended shift.

20230603

Attended the area and roved and/or took people inside the perimeters as requested.

20230604

Attended the area and roved and/or took people inside the perimeters as requested.

20230605

Attended the area and roved/patrolled.

20230606

Attended the area and roved/patrolled.

20230607

Patrols/Roving.

20230612

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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1800

Fire patrol of Westwood, Highland Park, Yankee town Rd and Bonzai area.

0630

Ended shift.

20230613

1800

Roving patrols. Assisted Tantallon Patrol with suicidal male nearby.

0630

Ended shift.

20230614

1800

Roving patrols.

0630

Ended shift.

20230615

Roving patrols. Assisted Tantallon with containment for vehicle theft/flight.

Sgt. Jody Allison

Watch #1 Patrol Sgt.

Halifax District RCMP

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 14

**Subject** CST JASON MEISNER

**Author** 852910 MEISNER, JASON

**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-20 09:55

230528, at approximately 1730hrs I logged on for my assigned 12 hour shift from my residence nearby the fire scene. Previous to this I had heard sounds of many fire trucks in the area, and shortly after logging on learned by police radio that there was a fire burning out of control in the Westwood Hills area.

As I left my residence and approached Scholars Rd large plumes of smoke were clearly visible in the sky in the direction of Westwood Hills. I could hear by radio that members were attempting to evacuate residences by order of the fire department, as the fire was out of control. I advised by radio that I was available close by and approaching to assist where needed. Cst Phil MacDonald requested that I attend in the Highland Park/Northwood area to assist here where fire was spreading.

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## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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I arrived in this neighbourhood, and observed fire and thick smoke throughout the area. Flames were observed spreading through trees and nearby homes, and smoke at times on some streets too thick to see through. In most of the area I attended, ashes, smoke and sparks/debris were raining down on the area/myself, prompting one resident to ask me if it was "raining". I assisted as directed in the Northwood Dr neighbourhood, checking to ensure homes were evacuated, and advising residents who remained on site they needed to evacuate immediately. Streets which were cleared were radioed to dispatch for advisement.

I continued to check/evacuate people from residences here, and also at Highland Park. I learned by radio that the Hammonds Plains Rd was impassible due to fire, and members were requesting assistance on the opposing side near Pockwock Rd. I drove Code 1, from Hwy 103 and around to the other side of the Hammonds Plains Rd, where I assisted in evacuations throughout the neighbourhoods here. Same smoke/fire conditions existed here as well.

After hours of evacuation, I returned to HRM pumps to fuel my vehicle and then returned to the Haliburton Hills neighbourhood to continue assisting in evacuations here. Power had been lost to most of the area, and homes were individually checked. Most residents appeared to have left on initial emergency order. Smoke remained heavy in the area throughout the entire night. Late into the evening I continued to remain nearby if required and monitor for any remaining residents/new fire locations. Fire was visible in the night sky in the direction of Pockwock/Hammonds Plains.

I continued these duties in the area for the few remaining hours until it spanned the entirety of my 12 hour shift, at which time I was relieved of night duty.

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 15  
**Subject** REDDEN  
**Author** R55855 REDDEN, TROY  
**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-21 16:19

On 2023-05-28 I arrived for my shift start of 1600 hrs. I obtained a radio and heard that the day shift was at a fire which sounded to be out of control and they were evacuating the Westwood community. I lodged in and drove over to Westwood Blvd where members had a roadblock setup near Dairy Queen. I noted that there was another entrance at the back of the mall where people could by pass the road block. I went to the road and ensured no one was permitted to enter Westwood Blvd. I directed everyone exiting Westwood into the mall parking lot to keep Westwood clear for the responding fire trucks. I remained at this location until around 1900 hrs when City works arrived with barricades to block the roadway. I then drove around the long way (Hwy 103 to Hammonds Plains rd and meet up with S/Sgt Pynn who was directing traffic from the Pockwock area out of the area towards Bedford. I assisted by ensuring no one was traveling towards the Pockwock area and assisted with doubling the traffic on Hammonds plains Rd to evacuate people quicker. Once the traffic was cleared from Pockwock I moved to the Indigo Shores area and assisted with door knocks to evacuate the residence from there.

On 2023-05-29 1600 hrs I assisted with escorting residence back into their homes to retrieve animals and medication. 1800 hr I cleared for court.

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**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 16  
**Subject** CST. CHRIS GRAHAM

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# HRM POLICE

## GENERAL OCCURRENCE HARDCOPY (ASSIST OTH AGENCY (NON POLICE))

GO# HP 2023-62892  
NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

**Author** R57858 GRAHAM, CHRISTOPHER  
**Related date/time** SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-25 05:16  
 2023/05/31

16:30hrs (approx) I arrived at Westwood community in Tantallon to assist with going door to door to do evacuations. It was very windy and the fire was spready quickly. As the fire spread to Yankeetown and the other nearby communities I continued these efforts. I then did the same in the Whitehills subdivision.

22:30hrs - I ended my shift.

Cst. Chris Graham  
 Lower Sackville RCMP  
 Watch 3

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 17  
**Subject** SR THIBODEAU - COMMAND POST JUNE3RD & 4TH  
**Author** R53760 THIBODEAU, JASON  
**Related date/time** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-29 11:52  
 2023-06-29

Cst. THIBODEAU was stationed in the command post on day in Tantallon on June 3rd, and June 4th, 2023.

Cst. THIBODEAU task was to monitor the radio for the incident commanders.

J.A. THIBODEAU  
 W4/SA  
 Lower Sackville RCMP

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 18  
**Subject** S/SGT WAYNE SUTHERLAND  
**Author** R42820 SUTHERLAND, WAYNE  
**Related date/time** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-29 16:14  
 2023-05-28

S/Sgt Wayne Sutherland - Watch 4 WC was on RTO for Sunday May 28, 2023.

and arrived home notldng the initial fire within the subdivision. Police and Fire were just starting to arrive on scene. It was a sunny and warm day. The fire was very visible and the winds were high that day.

Approx. 1600 hrs.  
 S/Sgt. Sutherland called S/Sgt. Sanford - Watch 3 WC (day shift) to see if he could provide assistance. It was requested that members from Watch 4 be contacted to see if they could return to work for assistance. S/Sgt. Sutherland made numerous texts and calls to Watch 4 members seeking their assistance - in total 14 members from Watch 4 returned to work in assisting the fire and evacuation.

S/Sgt. Sutherland attended Tantallon Det. and assisted W1 members coming in early with assistance and deployment to requested areas for evacuation and scene security.

assisted by utilizing a police portable radio and traffic visibility vest. He used a marked police vehicle and positioned it at the intersection of Westwood Blvd and Hammonds Plains Rd. The traffic was almost at a stand still and lined up in all directions. There was a uniform member on scene and he was relieved of this scene to deploy elsewhere.



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S/Sgt Sutherland conducted traffic / evacuation duty at this scene / intersection for several hours until it was closed to only emergency vehicles. The traffic had been very chaotic and people were panicking. S/Sgt. Sutherland also used Cpl. Simm and Cpl. Pilon at this scene.

Once it was closed off, S/Sgt Sutherland moved down to the intersection for Hammonds Plains and the Hwy 103 on / off ramps. He remained here until approx. 0730 hrs.

The smoke had been extremely heavy in this area, where at times it was difficult to see very far in front of the vehicle and was extremely difficult to breath.

2023-05-29

S/Sgt Sutherland was requested to call W4 members for the night shift duty on Tantallon fire scenes.

S/Sgt Sutherland also attended work for the TA fire scenes - night shift. He conducted patrols in the area and also manned the RCMP Command Post for the night.

2023-06-01 Day

2023-06-02 Day

2023-06-03 Night

2023-06-04 Night

2023-06-09 Day

2023-06-10 Day

- S/Sgt Sutherland returned to regular Watch 4 General Duty - assigning member to assist the TA fire scene members and also met with the supervisors / management team for the fires.

2023-06-19

0700-1900 hrs.

S/Sgt Sutherland worked scene security for the Tantallon Fires....patrols throughout the shift - no issues.

Lab1070 has been completed and forwarded to S/Sgt. Lynden Morrison.

S/Sgt W Sutherland

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Type SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 19

Subject SR - CST. MACKENZIE'S INVOLVEMENT

Author R66305 MACKENZIE, NEIL

Related date/time THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-29 18:12

2023-06-01

1800 hrs

Cst. MACKENZIE was assigned and posted at exit 5 Hammonds Plains to control entry point to Tantallon Fires at this intersection from 1900 hrs to 0700 hrs. Weather was hot and dry, 26 degrees Celcius, smoke still in the air.

2023-06-02

1800 hrs

Cst. MACKENZIE was assigned and posted at Nottingham Dr and Hammonds Plains Rd to control entry point to Tantallon Fires at this intersection from 1900 hrs to 0700 hrs. Weather was cooler than the previous night and raining.

Cst. Neil MACKENZIE

66305

RCMP - Cole Harbour, W3

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**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 20  
**Author** R64955 HUGHES, JACOB  
**Related date/time** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-29 22:09

2023-05-20

19:00 hrs

Cst. HUGHES was assigned to Checkpoint 3 at Hammonds Plains road and Lucasville road. Cst. HUGHES was speaking to driver's and informing them that the road was closed barring any exceptional circumstances. Some smoke in area further south on Hammonds Plains road.

2023-06-08

08:00 hrs

Cst. HUGHES was assigned to a checkpoint at Westwood Boulevard escorting people to their homes.

Cst. HUGHES 64955

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 21  
**Subject** MEMBERS ACTIONS - WILDFIRES  
**Author** R57839 STANTON, SHAWN  
**Related date/time** MONDAY, 2023-JUL-03 11:26

2023/05/28

1740 Hours

Contacted by W4 Watch Commander Staff Sergeant Wayne Sutherland advising of the large scale forest fire in Upper Tantallon, Nova Scotia. Looking for members to assist with the evacuation of residences. The writer was en route to Ingonish Beach Detachment for shift coverage and re-routed back towards HRM.

2000 Hours

Arrival at the Cole Harbour office, geared up and deployed for Tantallon. Upon arrival the writer teamed up with other Halifax District members and officers from Halifax Regional Police. Evacuations of the White Hills community, Lucasville and Hammonds Plains was on going. This continued for many hours until all residences were evacuated.

0030 Hours

The writer took over as Team Lead for the evacuations and monitored the large scale fire for any areas which required immediate evacuations. Remained at the intersection of Lucasville Road and Hammonds Plains Road until shift change at 0730 hours. Relieved by Cst Chad Power and Cst Scott Murray from the Lower Sackville Detachment. Many citizens were approaching the road block and becoming confrontational after being denied access to their residences for personal items (boats, clothing, vehicles, etc).

2023/05/29

Overtime night shift (1700-0800 hours) - Came in early due to the uncertainty of active fires and assisted at Hammonds Plains Road/Westwood Boulevard road block. Coordinated escorts into the Westwood Boulevard subdivision for families to retrieve pets. Once the escorts concluded for the evening around 2130 hours, the writer patrolled the Westwood Boulevard subdivision for the rest of the shift. Coverage for members was completed at the following road blocks:

- Highway 103 - Exit 5 and Hammonds Plains Road
- Yankeetown Road and Hammonds Plains Road
- Pockwock Road and Hammonds Plains Road
- Westwood Boulevard and Hammonds Plains Road

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The smoke during this shift was very thick. Member wore an N95 mask in and out of the vehicle due to the smoke. Around 0300 hours the thickness of the smoke made it impossible to drive down Hammonds Plains Road from Pockwock Road to Stillwater Lake.

**2023/05/30**

Overtime night shift (1800-0800 hours) - Assisted with roving patrols through Yankeetown and Westwood Boulevard subdivisions all shift. Information about people traveling through the woods into the subdivisions. Due to the large number of resources this evening, the writer utilized an unmarked vehicle from the Cole Harbour office for the shift. Smoke was heavy and thick again during the early morning hours which caused breathing issues.

End of members involvement.

Cpl Shawn Stanton  
Halifax District RCMP  
Watch 4 - Cole Harbour Office

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 22  
**Subject** CST. TOWNSEND ACTIONS  
**Author** R59359 TOWNSEND, MICHAEL  
**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-04 08:40

**Supplementary Report of Cst. Michael TOWNSEND**

**2023/05/28**

Active wildfire in Tantallon detachment area. Assisted clearing neighborhood of Haliburton Hills, checkpoint at Lucasville and Hammonds Plains Road, roving patrols of Indigo Shores in Middle Sackville.

**2023/05/29**

Checkpoint Hammonds Plains Road and Lucasville Road.

**2023/05/30**

Checkpoint Lucasville Road and Bryanston Road.

**2023/06/01**

Checkpoint Lucasville Road and Bryanston Road.

**2023/06/02**

Checkpoint Hammonds Plains Road and Glen Arbor.

**2023/06/04**

Checkpoint Pockwock Road and Micmac Drive.

**2023/06/06**

Assisted with escorts behind rink in Tantallon.

**2023/06/07**

Checkpoint at Yankeetown Road, closest to Tantallon Detachment.



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End of involvement.

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 23  
**Subject** NOTES OF CST. PUDSEY  
**Author** R60136 PUDSEY, MICHAEL  
**Related date/time** MONDAY, 2023-JUL-10 06:27

23/05/28

22:30- I attended the Sackville Detachment at this time and assisted with evacuations in the Oceanstone subdivision. Sent home at 23:45 in order to come back in the following morning.

23/05/29

0700- RTO. Start shift, checkpoint at Bryanston/Lucasville Rd until 24:00

23/05/30

0700- Start shift, checkpoint at Bryanston/Lucasville Rd until 2400

23/05/31

0700- Start shift. Checkpoint and roving patrols until 0030. Fires still smoldering and smoke heavy in areas.

23/06/01

1900- Start shift, checkpoint at Hammonds Plains Rd/Lucasville Rd until 0030. Rescheduled without proper notice. Smoke heavy when winds changed.

23/06/02

1600- start shift. Roving patrols until 0200

23/06/04

0600- RTO start shift. Roving patrols and assisting checkpoints when needed until 1930.

23/06/06

0700- Start shift. Roving patrols/escorts until 1700.

23/06/07

0700- Start shift, roving patrols/escorts until 1900. Rescheduled without proper notice.

23/06/08

1900- Start shift. Checkpoint at Yankeetown Rd and Hammonds Plains Rd.

End of fire response for me.

Cst. M. PUDSEY

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 24  
**Subject** CPL CONN'S ACTIONS  
**Author** R52667 CONN, MATT



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Related date/time TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-11 05:01

On May 28, 2023 I was working 0600-1800 hours as the Acting Quality Assurance (QA) Sgt. for General Duty Watch 3 in Halifax District based out of the Lower Sackville RCMP Detachment. It was a hot, dry, and windy day. I was at Lower Sackville Detachment at 1529 hours when Cst. Lahaie was dispatched to a fire in the woods in the area of 25 Juneberry Lane in the Westwood Hills Subdivision of Tantallon. The dispatcher advised that the forest fire was spreading quickly and Cst. Lahaie commented that it was very windy in the area. Shortly after the initial dispatch and prior to the first officer arriving on scene dispatch updated that two houses were now on fire. Cst. Reid was the first police unit on scene within a few minutes. Cst. Reid advised that it was a huge out of control fire and that the whole neighbourhood was going up (in flames).

Over the next 15 minutes as additional officers began arriving on scene they took up various points throughout the neighbourhood to assist with traffic control for fire (blocking of roadways) and assisting in evacuating residences in the area of the fire. During this time multiple officers reported that the fire was spreading very quickly; that additional houses were catching fire every few minutes; and that the main entry/exit to the subdivision (Westwood Blvd.) was blocked by the fire leaving only one entry/exit (Winslow Dr.) to the subdivision. I also noted an unusual excitement in the usually calm voices of multiple officers on scene. That's when I realized we had a very serious situation.

At approximately 1543 hours as S/Sgt. Sanford was leaving Sackville Detachment to attend the scene I suggested that given the circumstances, we should consider issuing a Public Serious Incident Alert through EMO. He agreed and tasked me to call the OCC Risk Manager to have one issued. (As per RCMP policy, S/Sgt. Sanford nor myself have authority to issue a Public Serious Incident Alert however the On-Duty OCC Risk Manager does). S/Sgt. Sanford spoke to the on-duty line officer A/Insp. Berger on his way to the scene and I called the On-Duty OCC Risk Manager S/Sgt. Corscadden at 1546 hours. I explained to her that I was requesting a Serious Incident Alert be issued to the public warning them of an out of control forest fire in the Westwood Hills Subdivision in Tantallon and that we are requesting that residents evacuate the subdivision via Winslow Drive. I briefly outlined the situation for her, namely that we have a fast-moving forest fire that started on Juneberry Lane; that multiple houses are already on fire with more catching on fire by the minute; that the fire is spreading faster than we can evacuate residences; and that the main entry/exit to the subdivision (Westwood Blvd.) is blocked by the fire and that the only remaining entry/exit to the subdivision is via Winslow Drive. S/Sgt. Corscadden told me that she does not believe she has access to the "fire codes" to issue a Serious Incident Alert for a fire, rather she can only issue them for police related incidents. I asked that she reach out to EMO to inquire how we can get a Serious Incident Alert issued for a fire if she can't issue one as one needs to be issued ASAP. S/Sgt. Corscadden told me she would contact EMO and that she would also contact RCMP Strategic Communications Section and have them issue a media/social media release.

At 1603 hours I received a call from (Business Analyst with EMO). I briefly outlined the situation from him. I told him the same thing I had told S/Sgt. Corscadden: That we have a fast-moving forest fire that started on Juneberry Lane; that multiple houses (at least 10-15) are already on fire with more catching on fire by the minute; that the fire is spreading faster than we (police) can evacuate residences; and that the main entry/exit to the subdivision (Westwood Blvd.) is blocked by the fire and that the only remaining entry/exit to the subdivision is via Winslow Drive. I explained to him that a Serious Incident Alert needs to be issued to warn the public of the out of control forest fire in the Westwood Hills Subdivision in Tantallon. I further told him that the residents need to be told to evacuate the subdivision via Winslow Drive. He asked for my email address and told me he was going to send me a form that needs to be filled out prior to an alert being issued. I was on the phone with him for five minutes waiting for the form to come through. While waiting I explained to him that according to RCMP policy, I (nor the position I'm acting in) has the authority to issue a Serious Incident Alert and the RCMP OCC Risk Manager told me that police do not have the authority to issue one for fires. told me that his boss is requesting that I call but who I later learned is the . He also told me she has past experience with issuing Serious Incident Alerts. At 1610 hours, just prior to hanging up with in order to contact I received email with an attachment titled "NSEMO Alert Ready Request Form." It was an eight-page document (three pages of fillable fields and five pages of instructions.) I had never previously seen this form nor did I feel that I or someone else would have sufficient time given the severity of the incident to read through the 8 pages and complete the form in an appropriate amount of time. In the interest of expediting things, I hung up with and told him that I would call him back after speaking to

At 1610 hours I called as soon as I got off the phone with I told her the same thing I told and S/Sgt. Corscadden: That we have a fast-moving forest fire that started on Juneberry Lane; that multiple houses (at least 10-15) are already on fire with more catching on fire by the minute; that the fire is spreading faster than



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we (police) can evacuate residences; and that the main entry/exit to the subdivision (Westwood Blvd.) is blocked by the fire and that the only remaining entry/exit to the subdivision is via Winslow Drive. I explained to her that a Serious Incident Alert needs to be issued to the public warning them of the out of control forest fire in the Westwood Hills Subdivision in Tantallon and that residents need to be told to evacuate the subdivision via Winslow Drive. She told me she is not on the ground but that she has a fire commander that should be arriving at the scene in a few minutes and that she would be receiving more information from him shortly upon his arrival and that she does not have enough info yet to issue a Public Serious Incident Alert. I told her that it is in her hands but I feel that an alert should be sent out ASAP to evacuate the entire subdivision. I gave her my cell phone number and told her to call me if she needs anything else from police.

At 1618 hours after getting off the phone with [redacted] I called [redacted] back and told him I just spoke with [redacted] and that it's in her hands and that she should be in touch with the on-scene fire commander shortly who will be providing her with the information she needs to issue a public alert. [redacted] told me he can issue an alert within 5 minutes of receiving the completed NSEMO Alert Ready Request Form.

After getting off the phone with [redacted] I saw on the RCMP Twitter feed that the RCMP media release I requested was issued at 1603 hours. In speaking with Cpl. Chris Marshall of the RCMP Strategic Communications Section on a later date, I learned that it was he who S/Sgt. Corscadden had contacted to have the media / social media release issued.

At 1713 hours I received the first EMO Public Serious Incident Alert on my phone.

At 1728 hours S/Sgt. Sanford asked me over the radio to contact OCC again and update them about the fire spreading to a second subdivision (Carmel Crescent / Hummingbird Lane subdivision) and to have another alert issued for that subdivision. He was busy with fire evacuations and would not have known at the time the conversations I had with the OCC Risk Manager, EMO, and [redacted] regarding the issuance of the first alert, nor the trouble I had trying to get an alert issued. I knew that since about 1630 hours Sgt. McCarron (HX03) was standing next to the on-scene fire commander and I knew through my conversation with [redacted] that she was relying on information from the that on-scene fire commander to issue the Public Serious Incident Alerts. I told S/Sgt. Sanford over the radio that [redacted] with HRM Fire is in control of the alerts and that she is in contact with the on-scene fire commander who is next to Sgt. McCarron (HX03). He then relayed that information over the radio to Sgt. McCarron so he could tell the fire commander next to him that he might want to have another alert sent out for the second subdivision that was now also on fire.

At 1741 hours [redacted] members broke off from their duties and began deploying to assist with residential evacuations after my telephone conversation with the Team Lead.

At 1800 hours I briefed oncoming Halifax District Night Watch Commander S/Sgt. Pynn and oncoming QA Aux. Cst. Leger when they arrived at Lower Sackville Detachment for night shift.

At 1812 hours with the fires continuing to rapidly spread out of control and realizing this would be a multiple day event (at minimum) I recommended to Aux. Cst. Leger and S/Sgt. Pynn that having the RCMP Division Emergency Operations Centre (DEOC) activated would be beneficial even if it's only initially to assist us in obtaining more officers, vehicles, radios, and radio batteries as we were already short radios, radio batteries, and vehicles.

At 1900 hours to assist with the immediate need for more police vehicles, radios, and fully-charged radio batteries, I went with three other members to Cole Harbour Detachment to bring all the remaining vehicles, radios, and radio batteries over from Cole Harbour Detachment. We arrived back at Sackville Detachment at 1950 hours.

With night shift members fully deployed and knowing that I had to be back in for day shift the next morning at 0530 hours, I began preparing to head home. Prior to heading home, I had to prepare the urgent court disclosure of an in-custody matter

[redacted] The lead investigator who was an officer who was assisting with the fire evacuations requested I prepare the court disclosure for the in-custody matter as they were still busy with the fire evacuations. At 2100 hours I began preparing the court disclosure. I completed it at 2200 hours at which time I ended my shift.

On June 1, 2023, being Watch 3 QA, I assigned follow-ups to all of the members who were dispatched to the initial fire file (23-62860 over the first half hour or so) including A/Cpl. Lahaie, Cst. Kenney, Cst. Vekeman, Cst. Ingles, Cst. Murray, Sgt. McCarron, S/Sgt. Sanford, Cst. Meisner (HRP K9), Cst. Maciver, Cst. Smith, Cst. Graham, Cst. Mahar, Cst. Redden, and Cst. MacDonald (HRP K9).

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On June 5, 2023 a Crime Stoppers Tip was received by fax at the Tantallon RCMP Detachment. Tip #202-M41134. Tip forwarded to RCMP CID GIS Sgt. Stewart on June 7, 2023 by myself as I was told GIS would be taking over as the investigating section.

Cpl. Matt Conn  
RCMP Watch 3 Acting QA Sgt.

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 25  
**Subject** CST. COOLEN'S INVOLVEMENT  
**Author** R60949 COOLEN, CHRISTOPHER  
**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUL-12 08:33

Cst. COOLEN  
60949  
TA RCMP - W4

2023-05-28

1800 hrs

Cst. COOLEN assisted with the evacuation of Haliburton Hills. Once complete Cst. COOLEN conducted roving patrols of Hammonds Plains and Indigo Shores until the completion of shift at 0800 hrs.

2023-05-29

1800 hrs

Cst. COOLEN began shift and was tasked with manning the check point at Lucasville Road and Hammonds Plains Road. Cst. COOLEN spent the duration of this shift at said checkpoint with no issues of note. Shift completed at 0800 hrs following relief.

No further involvement during overtime incurred.

2023-06-01

Cst. COOLEN returned to regular schedule and regular general duties as part of Tantallon Watch 4.

No further involvement of significance.

**Type** SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - 26  
**Subject** CST CARTER'S ACTIONS  
**Author** R50861 CARTER, HEIDI  
**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUL-12 10:58

2023-05-28 - 19:00-01:00 hours (RTO day)

Called in to assist with the evacuation of homes due to the wildfire. Assisted with evacuations in Glen Arbour area, Lucasville Rd, and Indigo Shores.

2023-05-29 - 07:00-00:00 hours (RTO day)

Conducted checkpoint at Indigo Shores. Completed escorts in and out of the community.

2023-05-30 - Scheduled 07:00-17:00 hours

Assisted with roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area. Was fit tested for mask. Relieved other members who needed to be fit tested. Was given food and water from members of the community so provided those items to members at check points while roving. Assisted HRP with evacuating people from area around Farmers Diary on Hammonds Plains Rd due to another fire. Worked until 00:00 hours to assist with shift coverage.



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2023-05-31 - Scheduled shift 07:00-17:00 hours

Roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area. Assisted with closing roads and possible evacuation of houses for fire on Shepherds Lane by Peggy's Cove Rd. Worked until 00:00 hours to assist with shift coverage.

2023-06-01 - Scheduled shift 14:00-00:00 hours

Roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area. Worked 19:00-07:00 hours. Rescheduled without proper notice.

2023-06-02 - Scheduled shift 14:00-00:00 hours

Roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area. Worked 16:00-02:00 hours.

2023-06-04 - 05:30-20:00 hours (RTO day)

Roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area. Later conducted checkpoint at White Hills Run/Pockwock Rd.

2023-06-05 - 05:30-20:00 hours (RTO day)

Conducted checkpoint at White Hills Run/Pockwock Rd.

2023-06-06 - Scheduled shift 07:00-17:00 hours

Roving patrols throughout Tantallon wildfire area.

2023-06-07 - Scheduled shift 07:00-17:00 hours

Conducted checkpoint at Hammonds Plains Rd/Yankeetown Rd (Pockwock Rd end). Worked 06:30-19:30 hours.

2023-06-08 - Scheduled shift 14:00-00:00 hours

Conducted checkpoint at Westwood Blvd and later did roving patrols. Worked 18:00-08:00 hours.

Smoke was thick in the air the night of the initial evacuation. On this night, I was passed an N95 mask to wear part way through the evacuation. For the first approximate week, smoke was always in the air and seemed to be thicker on some nights where it became difficult to see while driving. On either 2023-05-30 or 2023-05-31, assisted Guns & Gangs with a gun safe at a residence

End of involvement.

Cst Carter 50861



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After three months of no additional information I will be requesting the closure of this investigation on the policing side. After a Crown meeting with [redacted] it was determined the approach would be for DNRR investigators to continue the investigation and advise myself if there was any criminal element which arose from same. (ie. negligence). At this time it does not appear to be a negligence concern based on the information available and the fire cause and origin report provided by DNRR.

Due to a lack of additional or new information, it does not justify a police investigation to remain open at this time. File will be re-opened if the ongoing DNRR investigation uncovers any criminal element(s) with relation to the cause of this fire.

DNRR has been updated on the police file to date and all information (Entities, statements etc) have been shared between both agencies.

**Type** INVESTIGATORS REPORT - 2  
**Subject** INVESTIGATORS REPORT DET/CST CLOWATER  
**Author** 867075 CLOWATER, DAVID  
**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-06 13:32

**2023-06-06**

Assigned file for investigation and reviewed cad remarks/updates.  
Requested 911 tapes from callers prior to statements.  
Request made for any and all social media posts/photos/ videos pertaining to the fire including anything from all occupants of 25 Juneberry Ln.

**2023-06-07**

Reviewed / listened to the 911 calls for the fire within the first 30 minutes of the initial call.

**2023-06-08**

Reviewed 4 Crime stoppers tips, one was of no relevance, one was for the Barrington Nova Scotia fire and two were information already known to police.

I was advised the HRM fire investigators are:



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## 2023-06-13

Emailed HRM Fire investigators,  
information for the police investigation.

requesting any video and investigational

Spoke with Crown attorneys office requesting a meeting to review evidence.

Spoke with possible witness

## 2023-06-14

Email sent to DNR requesting his videos and statements regarding fire to forward to Crown.

Contacted assigned Crown to meet regarding file.

Compiled information package for Crown meeting.

## 2023-06-19

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Attended Crown meeting with Halifax Crown and DNR investigators. Discussed file and direction of same. At this time police involvement is pending results of DNR investigation.

2023-06-20

2023-07-17

Emailed lead investigator

DNRR for an update on their investigation.



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**Type** QA (READER) COMMENTS - 1  
**Subject** QA REVIEW  
**Author** R52667 CONN, MATT  
**Related date/time** THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 04:09

This is the master file for the police response to the Tantallon fires. First dispatch was file 23-62860 on May 28, 2023 @ 15:29 hours to [redacted]. Follow-ups assigned to initial members who were dispatched and responded including A/Cpl. Lahaie, Cst. Kenney, Cst. Vekeman, Cst. Ingles, Cst. Murray, Sgt. McCarron, S/Sgt. Sanford, Cst. Meisner (HRP K9), Cst. Maciver, Cst. Smith, Cst. Graham, Cst. Mahar, Cst. Redden, and Cst. MacDonald (HRP K9).

On June 5, 2023 a Crime Stoppers Tip was received by fax at the Tantallon RCMP Detachment. Tip #202-M41134. Tip forwarded to GIS Sgt. Stewart on June 7, 2023 by myself.

Cpl. Matt Conn  
 Watch 3 Acting QA  
 Halifax District RCMP

**Type** QA (READER) COMMENTS - 2  
**Subject** QA SPENCE  
**Author** R44623 SPENCE, JADIE  
**Related date/time** SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-11 14:34

Reviewed

Investigation continuing

**Type** QA (READER) COMMENTS - 3  
**Subject** SGT. MCCARRON'S ACTIONS  
**Author** R47168 MCCARRON, PETER  
**Related date/time** FRIDAY, 2023-JUL-21 11:42

I (Sgt. McCarron) was working on May 28, 2023, in Lower Sackville as the Road Supervisor. After hearing the call, I requested to be dispatched and attended immediately. When I arrived, I blocked the entrance to Westwood Blvd, not allowing residence into the area, and ensuring residents could get out, and fire trucks could get in.

After we found someone to replace me at the intersection, S/Sgt. Sanford requested I meet with the Fire Chief and liaise with him, which I for the remainder of the shift.

Sgt. P. McCarron  
 Watch 3 Road Sgt.

**Type** REQUEST ADDITIONAL DIARY DATE - 1  
**Subject** DIARY DATE  
**Author** 867075 CLOWATER, DAVID  
**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-04 10:21

Requesting diary date extension to obtain the outcome of Department of Natural Resources and Renewables investigation to determine the direction of this file. If a criminal element is exposed during investigation I will maintain carriage of this file, if nothing is discovered beyond the Forestry Act the file will be concluded.

**Type** SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS - 1  
**Subject** SC GIS FILE REVIEW  
**Author** R49810 STEWART, JASON  
**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-06 10:24

GIS file review - no preliminary investigation conducted. Documentation thus far has simply been the police response to fire call.



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NO FURTHER ACTION  
Not Approved

GIS will take carriage of this particular criminal inquiry to determine what if any charges are appropriate.

The original GO#23-62860 is a fire call which was dispatched on May 28, 2023 at 15:29hrs and was to Upper Tantallon in the Westwood Hills subdivision.

File assigned to D/Cst Clowater for investigation.

Please conducted the following prior to commencing investigation (statements et al) obtain Fire Dept calls for service and dispatch history.

Contact S/Sgt Chambers to have an analyst assigned to obtain all Video and still images of the fire from social media as well as news reports detailing fire from when it started.

J.A.Stewart,Sgt 49810

GIS - Squad 2

**Type** SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS - 2  
**Subject** WATCH COMMANDER - WATCH 1  
**Author** R44561 PYNN, ERICA

**Related date/time** FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-30 04:51

2023-05-28- 1930 hrs (Night shift #1)

I arrived for night shift and was informed there was a huge wildfire in the Westwood Hills subdivision. Dayshift QA - Cpl. Matt Conn quickly briefed myself and R/Cst. Bridgit Leger (Night shift QA) on the situation and what was required. He advised he had been speaking with OCC Risk Manager Angela Corscadden about possibly standing up DEOC - I then tasked R/Cst. Leger to follow up with the OCC in order to determine the availability of additional equipment (radios/police cars) if needed. I departed Sackville Det to head to Tantallon in order to meet the Dayshift Watch Commander, S/Sgt. Sanford.

I only made it to the intersection of Hammonds Plains and Lucasville Road however when I was met by a long line of traffic which was headed toward Bedford. HRP member Cst. Charles Bruce and Cst. Chris Kelly were already there directing traffic. Traffic was very slow moving however so I assisted them in clearing it out.

- Traffic was extremely heavy
- As word of the fire got out, some residents tried to return to their residents - they were stopped however and turned around.
- Some residents were extremely upset but police not letting them return home.
- Some were resistant not and listening to police direction.
- Residents were advised to call 490-5020 to advise dispatch if they needed someone evacuated.
- It took a couple of hours to get everyone cleared.
- GSAR members also attended to assist.
- HRP assisted with traffic further down the road at the Kingswood intersection - this helped keep traffic flowing through the lights.
- Writer advised members in the Pockwock area of addresses to check in order to retrieve people who may not be able to evacuate on their own (ie. Some children were home without their parents, a fellow was asleep in Acadian Fish and Chips upstairs).
- Eventually all the traffic cleared and the road was shut down.
- Smoke became heavier and heavier as the hours progressed.
- Members were redirected to areas to evacuate (i.e Indigo Shores as it was believed the fire had spread there.)
- Members evacuated White Hills, Maplewood, Glen Arbour and Hammonds Plains up to and including Lucasville Road.
- I did permit entry of some individuals (with horse trailers) to go to Hatfield Farms to evacuate horses.
- S/Sgt. Sanford handed the Watch Commander phone over to me and I took charge at that point (approx. time unknown - see Dispatch ticket).

- I confirmed a point of contact at each checkpoint so that members knew who to check in with.

Later in the evening I travelled to Tantallon via Hammonds Plains Road - fires were still burning on either side of the roadway. Smoke was extremely heavy.

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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2023-05-29 (1800 - 0600hrs) Night shift # 2

Writer was Night shift Watch commander:

- Liaised with S/Sgt. Berger/ C/Supt. Christie who were in the Command Post which was set up in the St. Marg's Bay Arena.
- Coordinated members at the checkpoints in the evacuation areas.
- Assisted with escorting some residents to their homes in order to retrieve their pets.
- Continued roving patrols throughout the night and supervised members.

2023-06-03 to 2023-06-06 (Day1, Day2, Night1, Night2)

Writer was Watch Commander - normal shifts. - Continued patrols to evacuation area

roving patrols/checkpoint in Tantallon

End Writer's involvement

S/Sgt. Erica Pynn

Watch Commander Watch 1

**Type** SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS - 3

**Subject** REVIEW - CST VEKEMAN INVOLVEMENT

**Author** R54630 BEST, ADAM

**Related date/time** TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-25 10:23

2023-07-25

DD extended for Cst Vekeman's SR. Cst Vekeman is currently expected to return mid-August.

DD extended to that point, for her to add documented actions.

Cpl Adam Best

Halifax District CART - Team B TL

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**Type** SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS - 4

**Subject** SC GIS END REVIEW

**Author** R49810 STEWART, JASON

**Related date/time** MONDAY, 2023-SEP-11 14:50

GIS end review - Tantallon wild fire, which started as a result of unextinguished ambers from small outdoor patio fireplace. File created to assist DNR. No Criminal Code offense noted and DNR advised of file closure.

File closed.

J.A.Stewart, Sgt 49810

GIS - Squad 2

**Type** VICTIM SERVICES REPORT - 1

**Author** R58644 PRASAD, DEEPAK

**Related date/time** SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04 15:39

2023-06-04

Sgt. D. PRASAD reviewed this investigation. File does not meet criteria for victim services support at this time.



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If charge(s) are filed or if victim services is accepted, when offered, please notify RCMP Halifax District Victim Services (HXVIC).

Victim services file review delayed due to the re-deployment of resources during the Halifax Wildfires (May/June 2023).

Sgt. D. PRASAD # 58644  
NCO i/c Community Policing & Victim Services  
RCMP "H" Division - Halifax District



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Related Clearance Information

Agency HRM POLICE
Cleared on MONDAY, 2023-SEP-11
Cleared by Officer(s) CLOWATER, DAVID
Complainant/Victim notified NO
Type CONCLUDING REPORT - 1
Subject CONCLUSION
Author 867075 CLOWATER, DAVID
Related date/time MONDAY, 2023-SEP-11 08:29
CCJS Status INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PROCEED
CASE CLOSURE JUSTIFICATION ( Conclusion Block )
Documentation
DS (Documents submitted) [NO ] (Specify in remarks)
Operational Status -- Enter one of the following four codes [N ]
C - CHARGED (Adult or Young Person)
O - CLEARED OTHERWISE (sufficient evidence to lay charges, but no charges will be laid -- Clarify Reason in the Cleared Otherwise Reason section below)
N - NO FURTHER ACTION (insufficient evidence to proceed at this time)
U - UNFOUNDED
Cleared Otherwise Reason -- If the Operational Status is O, enter the applicable reason code [ ]
N - ACCUSED ALREADY IN JAIL
J - ACCUSED COMMITTED TO MENTAL INST.
M - ACCUSED INVOLVED IN OTHER INCIDENT.
I - ACCUSED LESS THAN 12 YRS. OLD
K - ACCUSED OUT OF COUNTRY, CANNOT BE RETURNED
L - COMPLAINANT DECLINES TO LAY CHARGES
E - DEATH OF ACCUSED (NOT SUICIDE)
F - DEATH OF COMPLAINANT OR WITNESS
O - DEPARTMENTAL DISCRETION
H - DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY
R - DIVERSIONARY PROGRAM
G - REASON BEYOND POLICE CONTROL (I.E. POLICY)
D - SUICIDE OF ACCUSED
CONCLUDING REMARKS:
[No information to suggest the cause was due to negligence or criminal matter. DNRR continuing investigation under forestry act. Police file to be closed and re-opened if any criminal offence is discovered as to the cause of the fire, during the investigation.]



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## Related Follow Up(s)

**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 1 ADD I/O, DO UP FRONT PAGE, CARD ALL COMS FROM THIS & FILE 62860**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R61020 LAHAIE, JUSTIN	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / 3 WATCH TANTALLON
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 04:59	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Report due on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
Remarks	ADD I/O, DO UP FRONT PAGE, CARD ALL COMS FROM THIS & FILE 62860		

**SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

Submitted on	FRIDAY, 2023-JUL-07		
Approved on	FRIDAY, 2023-JUL-07	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Followup status	CONCLUDED		

**VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

Notified NO

**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 2 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R65656 KENNEY, CHELSEA	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:00	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Report due on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
Remarks	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

**SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

Submitted on	SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04 09:58		
Approved on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-08	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Followup status	CONCLUDED		

**VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

Notified NO

**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 3 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R53138 VEKEMAN, ERIKA	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / TANTALLON OFFICE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:04	By	R52667 CONN, MATT

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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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Report due on FRIDAY, 2023-AUG-25  
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### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on WEDNESDAY, 2023-SEP-06 08:34  
Approved on SUNDAY, 2023-SEP-10  
Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 4 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R68270 INGLES, RYAN  
Capacity ACTIVITY DUE  
Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:05  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
Remarks ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE  
Rank CONSTABLE-RCMP  
Org Unit PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on MONDAY, 2023-JUN-05 08:20  
Approved on WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-21  
Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 5 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R39755 MURRAY, SCOTT  
Capacity ACTIVITY DUE  
Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:06  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
Remarks ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE  
Rank CONSTABLE-RCMP  
Org Unit PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-21 13:44  
Approved on SUNDAY, 2023-JUL-02  
Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO



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NO FURTHER ACTION  
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## NARRATIVE: INVESTIGATORS REPORT - 1

**Subject** CST SCOTT MURRAY- SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

**Author** R39755 MURRAY, SCOTT

**Related date/time** WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-21 13:21

On 2023-05-28 at 1133 hours I was made aware of the Fire in Tantallon and started to make my way over (lights and siren) to assist the situation which was changing by minutes.

I made an immediate patrol down Hammonds Plains (which at time was not under fire but congested with traffic)

While enroute I noted large plumes of smoke in the air and winds were blowing strong.

I made my way up Westwood Blvd, I made my way to Hemlock and left my vehicle with Fire Command and started to assist in checking homes and having people evacuate the area. Most people were cooperative but there was many that had to be yelled at to turn around and evacuate and we (Police and Fire) would be checking homes. While on the Roadway moving traffic, the fire jumped the roadway burning house on both sides. The winds had shifted and thick black smoke was filling the air.

It did not take long that fire advised they had no water pressure and had to pull back due to same.

I jumped in the Watch Commander vehicle with HX01 and then systematically started to evacuate persons from homes that were in the path of the moving fire. Dispatch was advised of each home checked.

After dealing with these homes, I headed to the intersection of Hammonds Plains road and Northwood Road. We started to evacuate the subdivision as the flames had jumped and were numerous homes and touching the road (Hammonds Plains)

The sure amount of traffic was chaos and the smoke at times was so thick that could not see over the other side of the road. I did utilize a mask with cartridges (half mask) but the filters became clogged and getting a breath of air difficult and trying to speak to people was impossible and I switched to a n95 which also difficult. After a while, I could not wear a mask and getting more air by turning back to wind and smoke to get breath. The roadways were blocked with no movement occurred for minutes at a time, we were finally able to have 2 lanes head to Tantallon as roadway to other direction closes as fire across same.

I remained in that area for a while and then made patrols of affected areas to ensure persons were all out safely.

I also assisted in evacuating Glen Arbour area as fire was approaching, smoke was there but not as heavy as previous area.

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I remained on duty until 2200 hours patrolling area for looters and also advising fire of new area that had started to catch fire again.

Cst Scott MURRAY

## **FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 6 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

### **ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

<b>Assigned to</b>	R47168 MCCARRON, PETER	<b>Rank</b>	SERGEANT-RCMP
<b>Capacity</b>	ACTIVITY DUE	<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE
<b>Assigned on</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:06	<b>By</b>	R52667 CONN, MATT
<b>Report due on</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
<b>Remarks</b>	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

### **SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

<b>Submitted on</b>	FRIDAY, 2023-JUL-21 11:49		
<b>Approved on</b>	WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUL-26	<b>By</b>	R52667 CONN, MATT
<b>Followup status</b>	CONCLUDED		

### **VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

**Notified** NO

## **FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 7 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

### **ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

<b>Assigned to</b>	R44085 SANFORD, GEOFFREY	<b>Rank</b>	STAFF SERGEANT-RCMP
<b>Capacity</b>	ACTIVITY DUE	<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE
<b>Assigned on</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:06	<b>By</b>	R52667 CONN, MATT
<b>Report due on</b>	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
<b>Remarks</b>	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

### **SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

**Followup status** ACTIVE

### **VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

**Notified** NO

## **FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 8 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

### **ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

<b>Assigned to</b>	852910 MEISNER, JASON	<b>Rank</b>	CONSTABLE-HRP
<b>Capacity</b>	ACTIVITY DUE	<b>Org Unit</b>	PATROL / 3 WATCH K9

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Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:07 By R52667 CONN, MATT  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
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### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-20 10:18  
Checked by 855203 BARR, KRISTOPHER  
Approved on TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-20 By 855203 BARR, KRISTOPHER  
Followup status CONCLUDED

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 9 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R61984 MACIVER, SHANE Rank CONSTABLE-RCMP  
Capacity ACTIVITY DUE Org Unit PATROL / 1 WATCH TANTALLON  
Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:08 By R52667 CONN, MATT  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
Remarks ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-04  
Checked by R52806 MACCORMACK, HILLARY  
Approved on TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-06 By R52806 MACCORMACK, HILLARY  
Followup status CONCLUDED

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 10 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to 852817 MACDONALD, PHILIP Rank CONSTABLE-HRP  
Capacity ACTIVITY DUE Org Unit PATROL / 3 WATCH K9  
Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:10 By R52667 CONN, MATT  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
Remarks ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Followup status ACTIVE

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

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**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 11 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R57101 MAHAR, JEFFERY	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / 1 WATCH SACKVILLE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:10	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Report due on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-29		
Remarks	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

**SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

Submitted on	MONDAY, 2023-JUN-19 06:33		
Checked by	R56923 POLLOCK, STEVE		
Approved on	TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-25	By	R56923 POLLOCK, STEVE
Followup status	CONCLUDED		

**VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

Notified NO

**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 12 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R57858 GRAHAM, CHRISTOPHER	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:11	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Report due on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
Remarks	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

**SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION**

Submitted on	SUNDAY, 2023-JUN-25 05:21		
Approved on	MONDAY, 2023-JUL-03	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Followup status	CONCLUDED		

**VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION**

Notified NO

**FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 13 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE**

**ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION**

Assigned to	R55567 SMITH, KYLE	Rank	CONSTABLE-RCMP
Capacity	ACTIVITY DUE	Org Unit	PATROL / 3 WATCH SACKVILLE
Assigned on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:11	By	R52667 CONN, MATT
Report due on	THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15		
Remarks	ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE		

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### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-13 12:03  
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Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 14 ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to R55855 REDDEN, TROY  
Capacity ACTIVITY DUE  
Assigned on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-01 05:12  
Report due on THURSDAY, 2023-JUN-15  
Remarks ADD SUPP REPORT FOR FIRE INVOLVEMENT - THIS IS THE MASTER FILE  
Rank CONSTABLE-RCMP  
Org Unit PATROL / 1 WATCH TANTALLON  
By R52667 CONN, MATT

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on WEDNESDAY, 2023-JUN-28 15:57  
Checked by R52806 MACCORMACK, HILLARY  
Approved on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-30  
Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R52806 MACCORMACK, HILLARY

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO

## FOLLOW UP REPORT HP 15

### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Assigned to 867075 CLOWATER, DAVID  
Capacity ASSIGN TO LEAD INVESTIGATOR  
Assigned on TUESDAY, 2023-JUN-06 10:56  
Report due on FRIDAY, 2023-JUN-30  
Rank DETECTIVE CONSTABLE-HRP  
Org Unit CID / GIS / SQUAD2  
By R49810 STEWART, JASON

### SUBMISSION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

Submitted on TUESDAY, 2023-JUL-04 10:23  
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Approved on MONDAY, 2023-SEP-11  
Followup status CONCLUDED  
By R49810 STEWART, JASON

### VICTIM/COMPLAINANT INFORMATION

Notified NO



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