



ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Forest and Prairie Protection Act

RSA 2000, c.F-19

MINISTERIAL ORDER

33/2012

FIRE CONTROL ORDER

1. I, Bruce Mayer, Assistant Deputy Minister, Forestry Division, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, pursuant to s.21 of the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act* (the "Act"), HEREBY:

- a. SUSPEND all fire permits issued under the Act,
- b. REQUIRE all outdoor fires presently burning whether set under the authority of a fire permit or not, extinguished, and
- c. PROHIBIT the lighting of outdoor fires

within all of Fire Control Zones 1, 2, and 3 and within those portions of Fire Control Zones 4 and 5 south of the Highwood River, south of Carnarvon Creek and west to the British Columbia border (all such Zones are as defined in the *Fire Control Zone Regulation*, being Alberta Regulation 29/2005).

2. For greater certainty, but without limiting the generality of the prohibitions set out in section 1, this Order prohibits the use of:

- a. portable campfires;
- b. any open fires used for any purposes in random camping areas; and
- c. smudge fires.

3. Notwithstanding section 1, this Order does not apply to:
- a. fires which are contained in cooking and heating appliances, other than portable campfires, and which are fuelled by fluids or compressed gas;
 - b. fires contained in fire pits in designated camping and recreation areas;
 - c. fires contained in walled tents with air tight stoves with proper screening as approved by a forest officer; and
 - d. fires contained in industrial facilities or on industrial sites as approved by a forest officer.
4. This Order does not apply to land within the boundaries of any city, town or village (including a summer village) or to any land owned by the Government of Canada in respect of which the Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development has not entered into a fire control agreement under section 6(b) of the Act.
5. Ministerial Order 32/2012 is hereby revoked.
6. This Order comes into effect at 4:00 o'clock p.m. on the 2nd day of October, 2012.

Signed in the Province of Alberta, this 2ND day of OCTOBER, 2012.



Bruce Mayer
Assistant Deputy Minister, Forestry Division
Environment and Sustainable Resource Development