

Forest and Prairie Protection Act
RSA 2000, c.F-19

MINISTERIAL ORDER

016/2016

ORDER CLOSING PUBLIC LANDS TO RECREATIONAL OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE

1. Subject to paragraph 2 of this Order, as wildfire and fire hazard conditions warrant a closure, I, Bruce Mayer, as Assistant Deputy Minister of the Forestry Division, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, with duly designated ministerial authority, pursuant to s. 14(1) of the *Forest and Prairie Protection Act* (the "Act"), HEREBY ORDER closed to public entry for the use of Off Highway Vehicles, the following lands:

All public lands within the Province of Alberta, including those administered under the *Public Lands Act*, the *Provincial Parks Act*, the *Wilderness Areas, Ecological Reserves, Natural Areas and Heritage Rangelands Act* and the *Willmore Wilderness Park Act*, that lie within the area described as follows:

All of Fire Control Zones 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and within Fire Control Zone 44, all land to the east bank of the Athabasca River, as such zones are established in the Fire Control Zone Regulation, being Alberta Regulation 29/2005.

For clarity the area of the Province subject to this Order is depicted on the map attached to this Order. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between the description above and the attached map, the area described above will prevail.

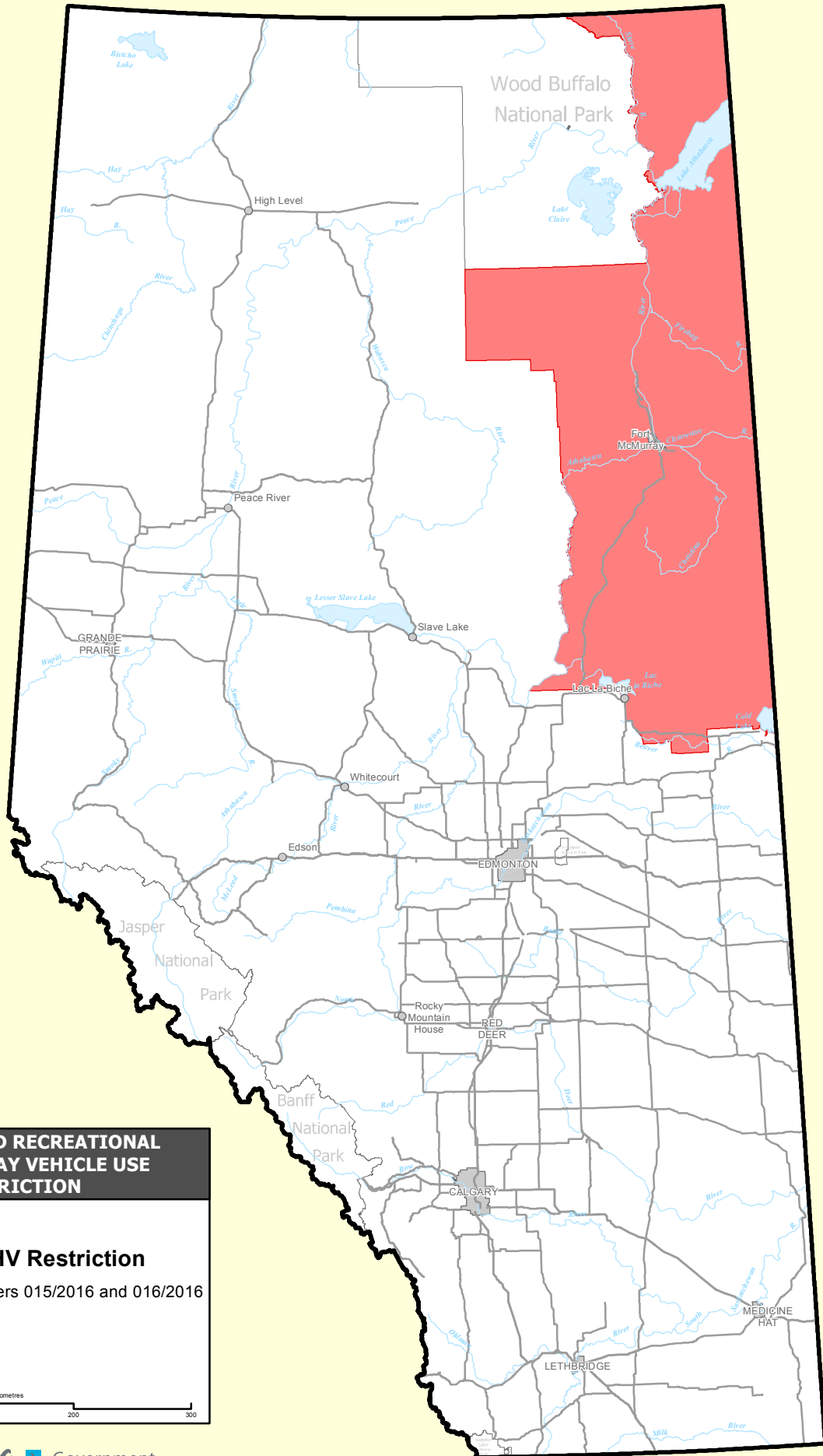
2. Pursuant to section 14(3) of the Act, I Bruce Mayer as a forest officer under the *Forests Act*, RSA 2000, c. F-22, grant permission for the entry to the lands described in paragraph 1 for the following purposes:
 - (i) the use of an Off Highway Vehicle by any Indigenous peoples when exercising a right recognized and affirmed under Part II of the Constitution Act, 1982 or a right under section 12 of the Natural Resources Transfer Agreement or when travelling to a location to exercise such a right;
 - (ii) the use of an Off Highway Vehicle for agricultural, industrial or commercial purposes; or
 - (iii) the use of an Off Highway Vehicle for the purpose of protecting public health or safety or to respond to an emergency.

3. In this Order, "Off Highway Vehicles" means: "any motorized mode of transportation built for cross-country travel on land, water, snow, ice or marsh or swamp land or on other natural terrain and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, includes, when specifically designed for such travel:
 - (i) 4-wheel drive vehicles,
 - (ii) low pressure tire vehicles,
 - (iii) motor cycles and related 2-wheel vehicles,
 - (iv) amphibious machines,
 - (v) all terrain vehicles,
 - (vi) miniature motor vehicles,
 - (vii) snow vehicles,
 - (viii) minibikes, and
 - (ix) any other means of transportation that is propelled by any power other than muscular power or wind."
4. Ministerial Order 14/2016, Order Closing Public Lands to Recreational Off Highway Vehicle Use, is hereby revoked.
5. THIS ORDER comes into effect at 16:00 o'clock on the 19th day of May, 2016.

DATED this 19th day of May, 2016.


ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Bruce Mayer, Assistant Deputy Minister
Forestry Division
Agriculture and Forestry



**FIRE BAN AND RECREATIONAL
OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE
RESTRICTION**

Fire Ban and OHV Restriction

 Ministerial Orders 015/2016 and 016/2016

