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Open burning ban continues in City of Vernon

On March 26, Vernon Fire Rescue Services (VFRS) cancelled all open burning permits within the City of Vernon.

Since this time, the B.C. Ministry of Environment has implemented a burning ban on open burning activities in the region. Currently, the burning ban does not include campfires which comply with provincial and local regulations and bylaws.

“While the provincial ban is in place, Vernon Fire Rescue will not be issuing burn permits,” said Fire Chief David Lind. “However, small campfires are allowed at this time, so long as they adhere to the City of Vernon Good Neighbour Bylaw. This is because the current fire danger rating in the City is low.”

If you choose to have a small campfire, please remember:

- Only burn dry, seasoned wood
- Never leave a fire unattended
- Be mindful of smoke’s impact on neighbours; don’t allow dense smoke or noxious odours
- Keep water or a hand tool nearby at all times when the campfire is lit
- Ensure the fire is fully doused before walking away at the end of your time outside

VFRS will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updates when they become available.