



## DISTRICT OF TUMBLER RIDGE

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Date: August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021  
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### MEDIA RELEASE

#### WILDFIRES WITHIN DISTRICT BOUNDARY AND SURROUNDING AREAS

In welcome news, the cooler temperatures and significant rainfall over the weekend resulted in significant progress to be made on confining the fires in the Tumbler Ridge area. The BC Wildfire Service has updated the status on the Tentfire Creek Fire (G71138), Bearhole Lake Fire (G72463), and Ridgeview Creek Fire (G72511) to “Being Held”. In addition, the Tentfire Creek Fire has now been declassified as a Wildfire of Note however, the area restrictions for these fires remain in effect. BC Wildfire Service area restriction bulletins and maps can be found [here](#).

Many residents continue to reach out to request information on how they can show their appreciation to the wildfire crews in our area. The District of Tumbler Ridge and BC Wildfire Service is pleased to host a “Show Your Appreciation” event on Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm on the High School field. While there are strict policies prohibiting wildfire crew members from accepting monetary gifts, services or similar items, they have advised the District that they love children’s artwork and drawings, thank you cards, and smiles; even a simple thank you would be fine too! Baked goods such as cookies are also welcome. The event will be in accordance with the BC Wildfire Service COVID safety protocols, meaning, that it will be a socially distanced event.

While the recent rainfall has provided some much-needed moisture in the area, the District of Tumbler Ridge is maintaining a burning restriction within the municipal area **until August 31, 2021 unless otherwise rescinded**. This restriction includes campfires and all other restricted activities currently in effect for the Prince George Fire Centre. The use of certified portable camping pits displaying a ULC or CSA certification will remain permitted. A map of the municipal area effected by the restrictions can be found [here](#). More information on Provincial burning restrictions can be found [here](#).

The District of Tumbler Ridge [website](#) is the most reliable place to get accurate information. The public is urged to check the [website](#) frequently in order to stay up to date. Posts to social media platforms will only be completed as time permits. Further media releases will not be issued, unless informational updates are required.

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#### **Important Links:**

District of Tumbler Ridge Website

[www.districtoftablerridge.ca](http://www.districtoftablerridge.ca)

For a current wildfire map, visit

<https://governmentofbc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/f0ac328d88c74d07aa2ee385abe2a41b>

BC Wildfire G71138 wildfire of note link. (No longer a Wildfire of Note and will no longer be updated) <http://bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca/hprScripts/WildfireNews/OneFire.asp?ID=822>

Area Restriction Information

<http://bcfireinfo.for.gov.bc.ca/hprScripts/WildfireNews/DisplayBan.asp?ID=585#OpenFireBans>