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TO: USERS AND LICENSEES OF THE SMITHERS FAIRGROUNDS

**RE: OPEN BURNING**

As a user group of the Smithers Fairgrounds, please be advised that the Town of Smithers has an Open Burning Bylaw. Under the Open Burning Bylaw, cooking fires are permitted which are started and maintained using cured wood that are solely used for the purpose of cooking food.

When building a cooking fire, select your site carefully. Prepare your cooking fire by removing all leaves, twigs and other flammable material from the area. Choose a proper fire pit at least three meters from trees, shrubs, structures and debris. Don't leave a cooking fire unattended, and do keep a pail of water close by at all times. Be certain your cooking fire is completely extinguished before you leave the area. Pour water on the fire and douse the site thoroughly. Stir the cooking fire until there are no embers and the ashes are cold to the touch.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Keith Stecko, BAppBus:ES  
Fire Chief  
Smithers Fire Rescue

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