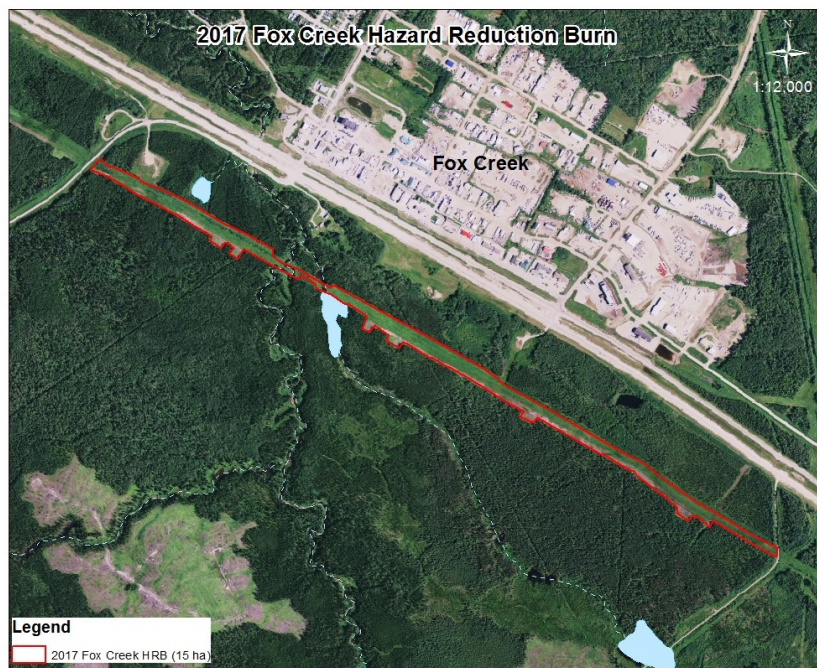




# FOX CREEK Hazard Reduction Burn

2017



## Project Description:

The Hazard Reduction Burn will be approximately 15 hectares in size and is located 400 meters south west of Fox Creek, Alberta.

In preparation for the hazard reduction burn, municipal and provincial firefighters planned extensively to ensure public safety. Burning will only begin when conditions are right. Professional firefighters will manage and monitor the burn until it is fully extinguished.

## Road Closure:

All public roads and highways are expected to remain open; minor delays may be experienced due to smoke. Smoke notification signs will be placed on major road ways. The area immediately adjacent to the hazard reduction burn will be closed to public access.

## Timeline:

The hazard reduction burn is scheduled for the spring of 2017. Exact date will depend on when the snow pack melts.

## WHAT IS A HAZARD REDUCTION BURN?

- Planned, controlled burning of high-hazard vegetation by highly trained professional firefighters.
- Typically conducted in grassy areas such as right-of-ways and areas around communities.

## OVERALL BENEFITS OF THE HAZARD REDUCTION:

- Enhance community protection by safely removing high-risk areas of grass.
- Reinforce pre-planned wildfire containment lines around the town.

## GOALS OF THE HAZARD REDUCTION BURN:

- Strategic removal of hazardous grass around the town of Fox Creek, reducing the risk of wildfire.
- Reduce the risk of a wildfire igniting from the use of Off-Highway Vehicles in the area.
- Increase firefighting cooperation between the Fox Creek Fire Department and Agriculture and Forestry wildland firefighters.

