

# NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

## Peterson Creek Nature Park Wildfire Risk Reduction: Prescribed Burn

Fall 2026

### PROJECT SCOPE

After delays due to unfavourable weather conditions last spring, the City of Kamloops, in partnership with the BC Wildfire Service and Tkemlúps te Secwépemc, will once again attempt to responsibly introduce fire to our landscape through prescribed burning this fall. A municipal-owned 6 ha land parcel that encompasses the Peterson Creek Nature Park will be treated. Prescribed burning requires intensive planning and can only occur in optimal weather conditions. On event day, BC Wildfire Service, Tkemlúps te Secwépemc, and Kamloops Fire Rescue personnel will be on site with equipment and fire trucks to support water delivery.

#### The prescribed burn objective includes:

- wildfire risk reduction
- reduction of overgrown sagebrush in the area
- removal of invasive species
- ecological restoration
- land stewardship



Watch footage from the prescribed burn in Rose Hill last spring and learn more about the process.



### WHAT IS PRESCRIBED BURNING?

Prescribed burning is the planned and controlled application of fire to a specific land area and is one of the most ecologically appropriate means for achieving a variety of land management objectives such as, public safety, protection of communities, protection of critical infrastructure, and ecosystem restoration.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- visible smoke and air quality impacts
- temporary closure of trails
- a high number of respondents within the park
- the presence of emergency response vehicles

### TIMELINE

Work is expected to take place in October on a day when conditions are best. If conditions are unfavourable, the prescribed burn may be postponed again until spring 2027.

## Questions?

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