



# PRRD

FireSmart™

# 2022



# Results at a glance



**100**

**FIRESMART HOME ASSESSMENTS**

**10**

**10 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE  
HAZARD MITIGATIONS**

**30**

**CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE  
ASSESSMENTS**

**3**

**WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS DAYS**

**2**

**FIRESMART NEIGHBOURHOOD  
EVENTS**

**7**

**FIRESMART POP-UP EVENTS AND  
INFO SESSIONS**

**3**

**PROGRAM FEATURES ON THE FIRESMART  
BC WEBSITE**

**4**

**WILDFIRE TRAINING EVENTS**



# Wildfire Preparedness Days

Throughout June, Mammoth and the Peace River Regional District hosted three consecutive Wildfire Preparedness Days at Beatton Provincial Park, One Island Lake Provincial Park, and Moberly Lake Provincial Park. We showcased interagency collaboration with the BCWS, local fire departments, and BC Parks. Events were interactive and family-friendly, with educational mini-games and challenges with lots of prizes!





# Cross-Training and Co-operation



This year, the FireSmart team hosted two interagency Wildland Urban Interface Training Events, as well as basic wildfire training, in Tomslake. These training events strengthen interagency bonds, as well as helping firefighters develop wildfire skills. This helps create a more cohesive response when it matters.





## NEIGHBOURHOOD PROGRAM

The one hundred home assessments that were completed this year are at the heart of the FireSmart Neighbourhood Program. These assessments are an excellent introduction for homeowners, offering practical ways to mitigate their wildfire risk.

This year, we strengthened existing relationships while developing exciting new ones. A Neighbourhood work-bee was held at One Island Lake, which will help maintain their status as regional FireSmart leaders. Another work-bee was held in Kiskatinaw, which will qualify them to be a nationally recognized FireSmart neighbourhood. Community cleanups are a great way to bring people together, while mitigating the communities wildfire risk. After each work-bee, a community barbeque was held to celebrate a job well done.





# Critical Infrastructure

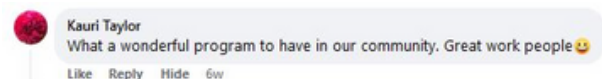
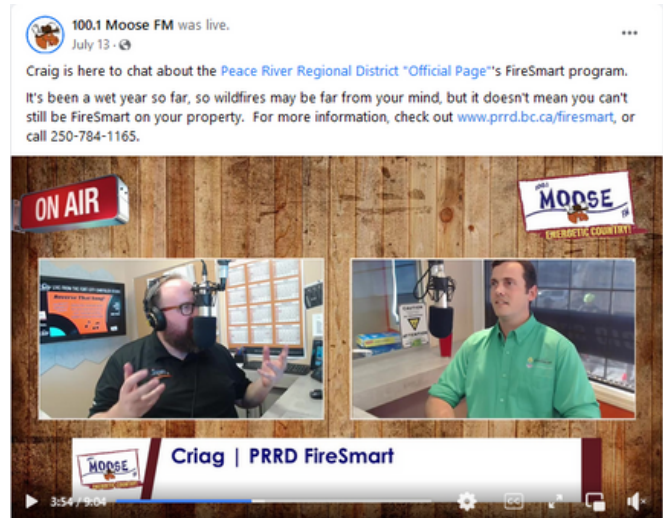
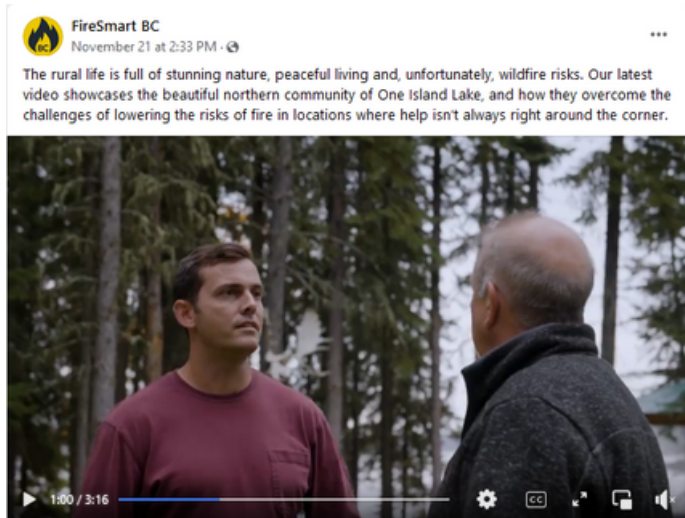
When wildfires happen, communication is key. Wildfire mitigation works were completed at ten PRRD-managed sites that are critical to emergency response. These photographs show some of the sites following mitigation works. Another 20 infrastructure sites were assessed this year for future hazard mitigation.





# Media

Public education is about getting noticed in a positive, engaging way. This year's program achieved this with social media, podcast interviews, radio interviews and ads, news coverage and prize giveaways.





# Getting Noticed



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We are proud to be part of the #FireSmart team, helping the Peace Region become more resilient in the face of wildfire! Thank you to all the participating departments and the PRRD for making this training a priority!

When wildfires burn, they don't follow lines on a map, often crossing jurisdictional boundaries, and impacting multiple communities. Fire Departments and Crews from across the South Peace have come together to train for these types of events. Through these exe... See more



## Peace River Regional District and Mammoth Forestry's Wildfire Preparedness Days

Through the month of June the Peace River Regional District hosted three consecutive Wildfire Preparedness Days at Beatton Provincial Park, One Island Lake Provincial Park,...

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Tomslake & District Volunteer Fire Department taking care of business!



Tomslake & District Volunteer Fire Department

August 31 at 8:54 AM ·

The fire department was paged for a mutual aid call west of Dawson Creek yesterday evening. This fire was in a fairly steep area so our side by side proved invaluable again. 2 units and side by side plus 7 members attended.



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Published by Flavia Winterbottom · August 19 at 12:29 PM ·

Congratulations Jim Lovell on being drawn for the FireSmart Give away! You've won \$3000 worth of yard maintenance donated by Mammoth Forestry. Thanks to everybody who entered the draw by getting a free FireSmart home assessment. Property assessments are now complete for the 2022 season, but if you want to get involved with the Neighbourhood Recognition Program visit [prrd.bc.ca/firesmart](http://prrd.bc.ca/firesmart).



- Dawn Santee  
Great work Craig and the little guy! Congrats to the winner, Jim! 🎉  
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- Glynis Santee  
Congratulations Jim Lovell!!  
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- Jim Lovell  
Amazing, great Senior Citizen win for the old bones. Thanks fellows 🙌  
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- Bonnie Carlson  
Congrats Mr Lovell!!  
Like Reply Hide 2w
- Glynis Santee  
I like your little assistant!! Good job both of you!!  
Like Reply Hide 2w
- Mandy Browne  
Love the assistant! ❤️👍  
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Iva Gerrard Tuttle

Thank you, Mammoth, for some wonderful training that helps us maximize our strengths in wildfire fighting.

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# Results in Detail

- 100 Property Assessments were delivered to PRRD residents throughout the summer.
- A kick-off meeting was held with the PRRD and Mammoth Forestry on May 4th.
- The FireSmart Team Leader attended the FireSmart Conference in Kamloops on May 11th and 12th.
- Website and social media content, radio advertising scripts, signs and posters, and newspaper and digital advertising were developed.
- The FireSmart crew attended the Taylor Preparedness Day at Peace Island Park on May 7th.
- FireSmart was presented to the North Peace Forage Association via podcast on May 16th.
- FireSmart was presented to the Sunrise Rotary Club in Fort St John on May 18th.
- A Media Release outlining the 2022 program was developed and released May 31, 2022.
- A FireSmart Neighbourhood Recognition Sign was presented to the One Island Lake Cottage Association during their AGM on May 22nd.
- An online booking system was launched so residents can access FireSmart Home Assessments online.
- Three Wildfire Preparedness Days were held across the Peace Region:
  - June 11, 2022 at Beaton Provincial Park in Charlie Lake
  - June 18, 2022 at One Island Lake Provincial Park
  - June 25, 2022 at Moberly Lake Provincial Park
- A radio campaign was launched and maintained throughout the summer.
- FireSmart mitigation works were completed for 10 critical infrastructure sites. Mitigation work at these sites included vegetation clearing, debris chipping and fireproofing of buildings and equipment.
- Wildfire (S-100) training was delivered to TomsLake Fire Department July 16-17, 2022.
- 20 additional critical infrastructure sites were assessed in preparation for future mitigation works.
- FireSmart information tables were set up at the West Moberly FireSmart Event on July 23rd and the Chetwynd Farmers Market on July 29th.
- One-on-one FireSmart meetings were held with 3 rural fire chiefs.
- Key relationships have been developed with West Moberly First Nations and the Tse'K'wa Heritage Society, which is managed by four of the Treaty 8 First Nations.
- A prize giveaway was drawn August 19th with the winner located in North Pine Area B.
- North Peace WUI Event was held at the Tse 'K' Wa Heritage Site in Charlie Lake on August 6th.
- South Peace WUI Event was held at the Gundy Creek Crossing on August 7th.
- A FireSmart education booth was set up at the North Peace Fall Fair on August 21st.
- One Island Lake's Neighborhood Recognition clean-up day was held on August 27th.
- A FireSmart education Booth was held at the Tomslake Open House on August 28th.
- FireSmart BC published photos and stories of our campaign on the "FireSmart in Action" section of their page. <https://firesmartbc.ca/firesmart-in-action/peace-river-regional-district-and-mammoth-forestrys-wildfire-preparedness-days/>
- Craig Wilson was selected by FireSmartBC to be the first ever LFR of the month and provided FireSmart BC with the corresponding content.
- Content was developed for the Regional District Highlights.
- A FireSmart neighbourhood clean-up day was held for Mile 22 Park at the Lebell Subdivision on September 10th.
- Subjects and locations for FireSmart BC filming was coordinated. Filmed on location with FireSmart BC September 29th, this video showcases the regions first FireSmart Neighborhood, One Island Lake.
- A Regional Planning Workshop was held on November 15th. This is the most proactive approach to FireSmart, and the first one of its kind in the region.
- Monthly meetings and progress updates provided to PRRD staff throughout the program.
- A comprehensive report for the region was developed outlining water delivery options and structure protection inventory.

**Thanks for all your support!**