



NEWS RELEASE

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Land Clearing Fires on Church Road

Parksville, BC - The Parksville Fire Department has received a number of complaints regarding smoke as a result of the large land clearing fires occurring on Church Road. These fires are outside of the Parksville Fire Protection Area jurisdiction and therefore, the Parksville Fire Department has no authority over how the burning is conducted.

The Ministry of Environment has been contacted and attended the location this afternoon to look at how the burning can be accomplished in a way that the smoke production is reduced. To date, the work is being done in accordance with all applicable regulations and the issue is a result in a change in the venting index and wind direction. The situation is being monitored. Concerns should be directed to the Ministry of Environment at 250 751-3100.

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For more information:

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