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Emergency Updates for Industry

The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) is reminding industry the importance of being well informed of provincial emergencies. The new <u>Provincial Emergency Updates</u> page on the Commission website is designed to provide information pertaining to emergencies affecting oil and gas operating areas. Companies are encouraged to keep staff informed of evolving hazards.

This website addition has been the result of recent wildfire activity. Above average temperatures and below average rainfall is expected until early Fall. Companies are advised to monitor Wildfire Management Branch's website for details on <u>Current Wildfires</u> and <u>News Releases</u>.

Companies should also take proactive measures, including:

- Increased vigilance when conducting flaring operations with consideration for the increased wildfire risk.
- Reviewing Emergency Response Plans with employees, specifically wildfire procedures.
- Reporting smoke or fire to 1-800-663-5555.
- Mitigating risk to employees and infrastructure by reviewing the <u>FireSmart Guidebook for the Oil and Gas Industry</u> for best practices.
- Providing employees with regular updates of fire hazards and preventive measures.

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