| Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. | Policy Name                              |    | Doc N.  |                      |
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| 367                                   | FIRE BAN IMPLEMATION AND LIFTI<br>POLICY | NG | 300-1.4 | Date<br>May 16, 2025 |
| Controller:                           | Approved By Council:                     |    |         |                      |
| Loretta Prevost, Administrator        | May 16, 2025                             |    |         |                      |

### 1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish a consistent and evidence-based approach to the implementation and lifting of fire bans within the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367, based on fire risk levels as identified by the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA).

### 2.0 Scope

This policy applies to all lands within the boundaries of the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367

### 3.0 Policy Statement

Fire bans will be implemented when the Daily Fire Danger Map, as published by the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA), indicates an "Extreme" fire danger level for the Rural Municipality of Ponass Lake No. 367.

Fire bans will be lifted when the fire danger level on the Daily Fire Danger Map returns to "Low" or "Moderate".

### 4.0 Authority and Responsibility

The Administrator or designate, is authorized to:

- Monitor the SPSA Daily Fire Danger Map;
- Implement or lift municipal fire bans based on the criteria set out in this policy;
- Communicate fire ban notices to the public using appropriate and timely methods (e.g., website, social media, local signage, news releases).

### 5.0 Communication

Once a fire ban is implemented or lifted, the municipality will ensure the public is promptly informed through available communication channels. Fire ban notices will include the effective date and time, the nature of the restrictions, and contact information for inquiries.

## **6.0 Enforcement**

Any fire ban issued under this policy will be enforced in accordance with applicable municipal bylaws, policies and provincial legislation.

# 7.0 Review and Updates

This policy shall be reviewed annually or as required to reflect changes in provincial policy, fire risk assessment tools, or municipal needs.

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