



FOREST FIRE UPDATE

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR **JUNE 6, 2025** **KENORA 020/KENORA 014**



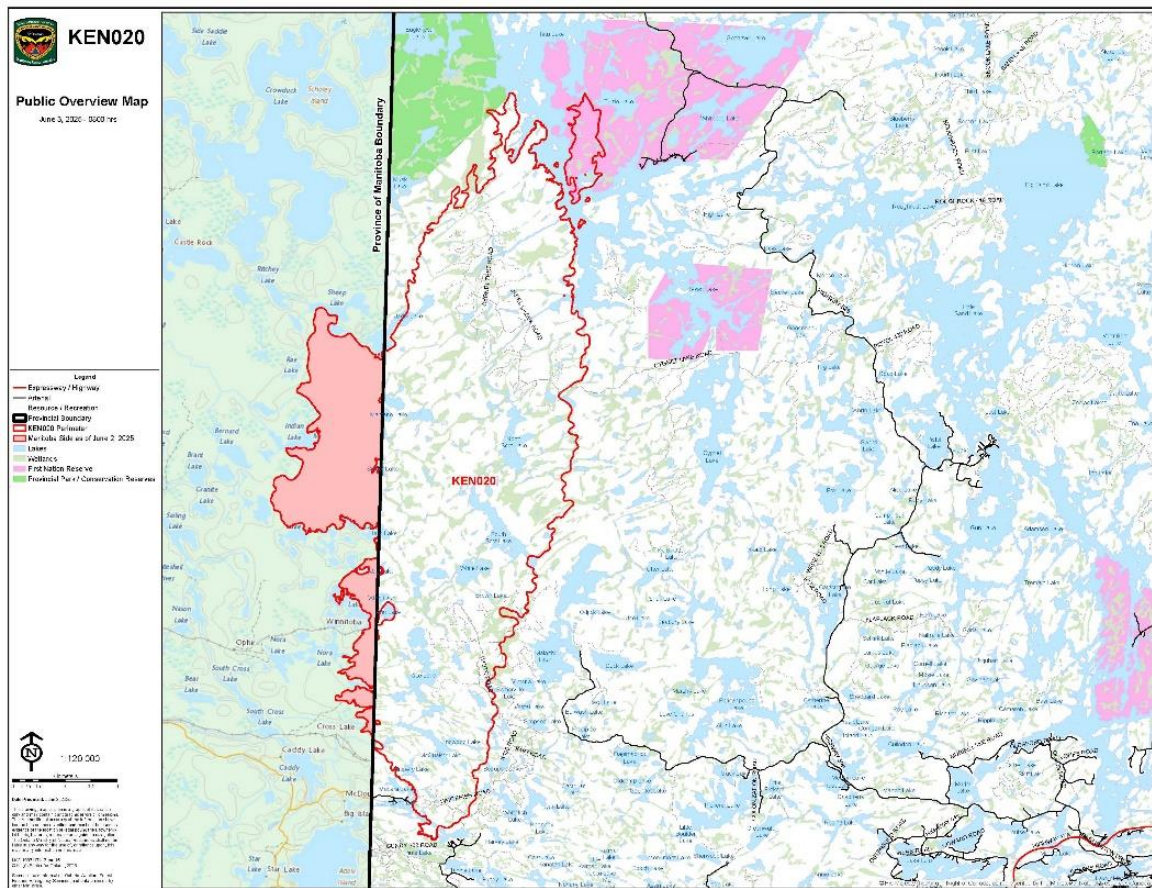
Forest Fire Suppression Equipment (FFSE) meticulously organized by Incident Management Team Logistics personnel at the Kenora 20 / Kenora 14 mobile warehouse.

Current Fire Situation

- A total of 6 helicopters and 143 personnel are assigned to Kenora 20 and Kenora 14, comprising Type 1 and Type 2 firefighters, overhead staff, flight crews and medics.
- Smoke from active fires to the west and northwest continues to be a concern in the area.

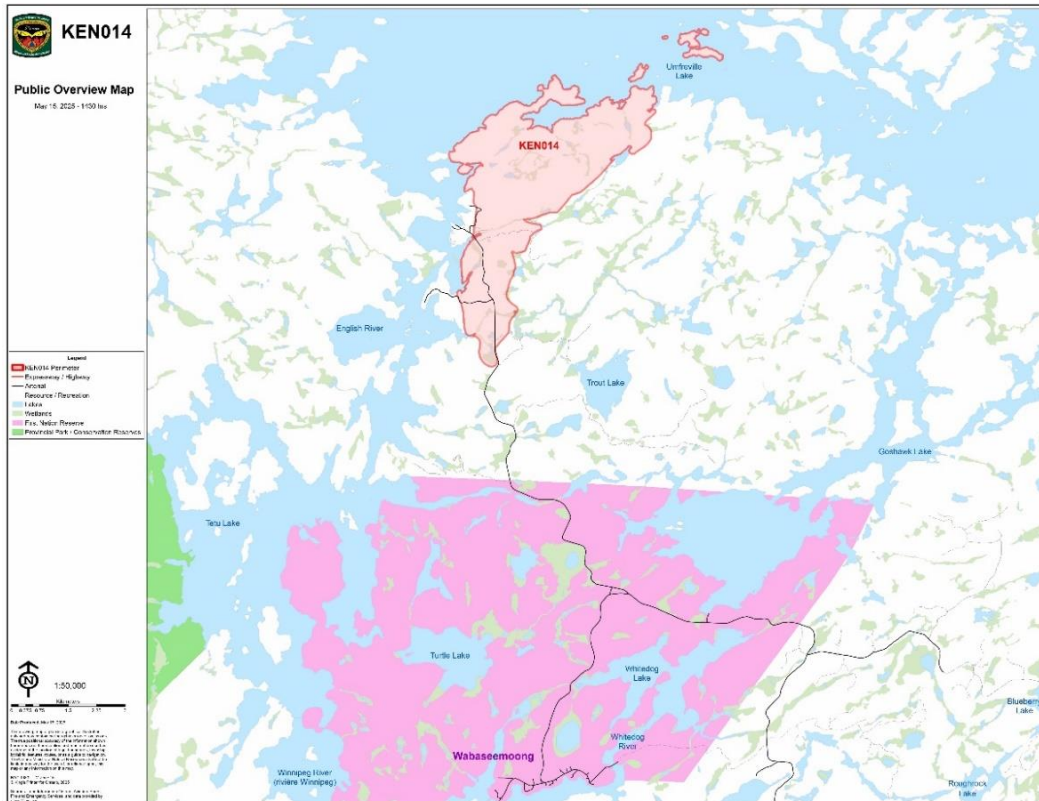
Kenora 20

- Kenora 20 is now measuring 36,043 hectares and is not under control. This size includes the entire fire area spanning Ontario and Manitoba.
- Ontario crews positioned to the northwest flank of the fire in Manitoba have tied in the fire to natural boundaries and are now working their way inward from the perimeter.
- Due to the extremely dry conditions, the fire has burned deeper into the ground than average for this time of year, resulting in increased time required to fully extinguish hotspots.
- A weather system is forecasted to move into the area this weekend, bringing much-needed precipitation and some relief to the dry conditions.
- This weekend, command of Kenora 20 and Kenora 14 will be transferred back to the Kenora Fire Management Headquarters, following nearly four weeks under the leadership of the Horan and Brown Incident Management Teams.



Kenora 14

- Kenora 14 is now under control at 1,607 hectares in size.
- This fire has now received sufficient suppression to prevent any further spread.
- Crews continue to make excellent progress in addressing all remaining hot spots.



Date on map represents most up-to-date perimeter.

Information Contacts

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Travel restrictions in fire area

KENORA 20

New Implementation orders are now in effect around wildland fires in the Kenora Sector to protect public safety and facilitate effective fire suppression.

Effective June 5, 2025 @ 8:00am CST, the new implementation orders will allow residents and cottage owners in the Ingolf area, including Broderick and Gundy townships to return to the area.

Multiple restrictions and road closures are still in effect in the Kenora area, including directly north of Broderick and Gundy township.

All travel and use of roads including Werner Lake Road; the area 500m west of Cygnet River on the Cygnet Lake Road, Malachi Lake Road and White Road network remains prohibited unless authorized by a travel permit.

All use of lakes and waterways within the area including the Winnipeg River and Cygnet River north of Swan Lake, including Eaglenest Lake, Tetu Lake, Musk Lake, Jadel Lake, White Lake, Rice Lake, North Scot Lake, South Scot Lake, Malachi Lake, Otter Lake and Duck Lake, is prohibited.

All use of lakes and waterways within the area East of the Manitoba border, North of the Winnipeg River and west of the English River and Umfreville Lake, including Shinewater Lake, Huston Lake, Calvary Lake, Davidson Lake, Reynar Lake, Bain Lake, Burton Lake and Wilson Lake is prohibited.

All use and occupation of Crown Land, identified on the map available at [Ontario.ca/fireupdates](https://ontario.ca/fireupdates), are prohibited.

All persons are prohibited from entering the area indicated in hatched areas on the map below unless authorized by a travel permit issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Following direction from the Ministry of Natural Resources Kenora District, an evacuation order is also in effect for above-mentioned areas that remain restricted.

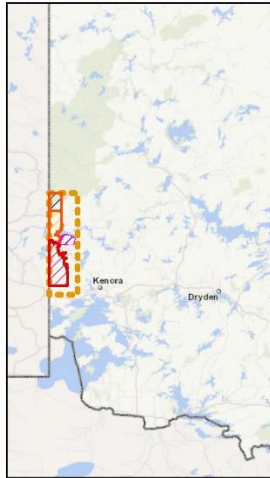
Inquiries about the Implementation Orders and area restrictions can be directed to the Kenora District Information Officer:

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MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Active Implementation Orders
EAO 2025-003

**KENORA
NORTHWEST REGION**



Legend

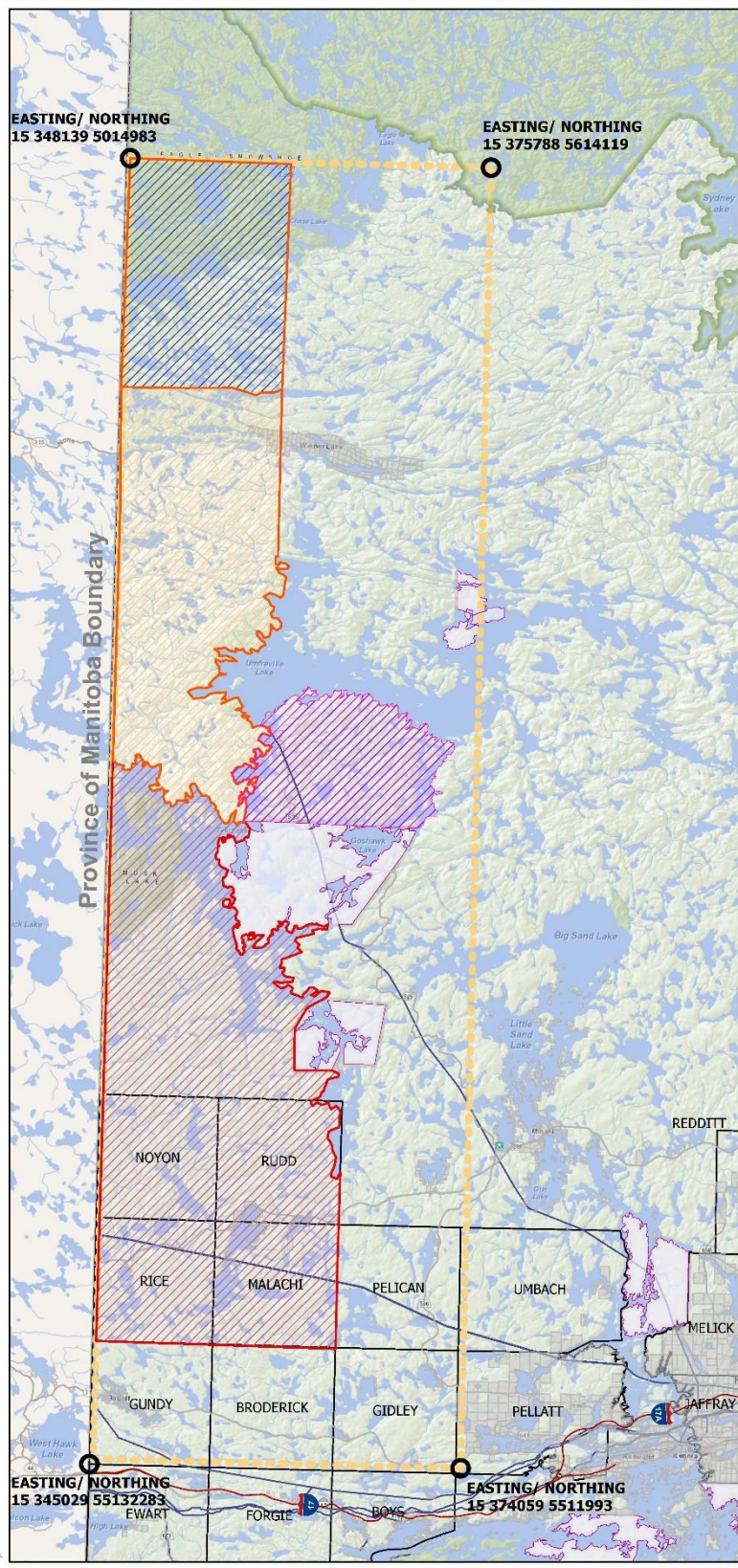
- Coordinate Location
- Kenora Fire**
 - IO-2025-003-KEN003
 - IO-2025-003-KEN006, KEN007
 - IO-2025-003-KEN010, KEN011
 - IO-2025-003-KEN012, KEN013
- Emergency Area Order
- Utility Line
- Highway
- Geographic Township
- Patent Land
- First Nation Community
- Provincial Park

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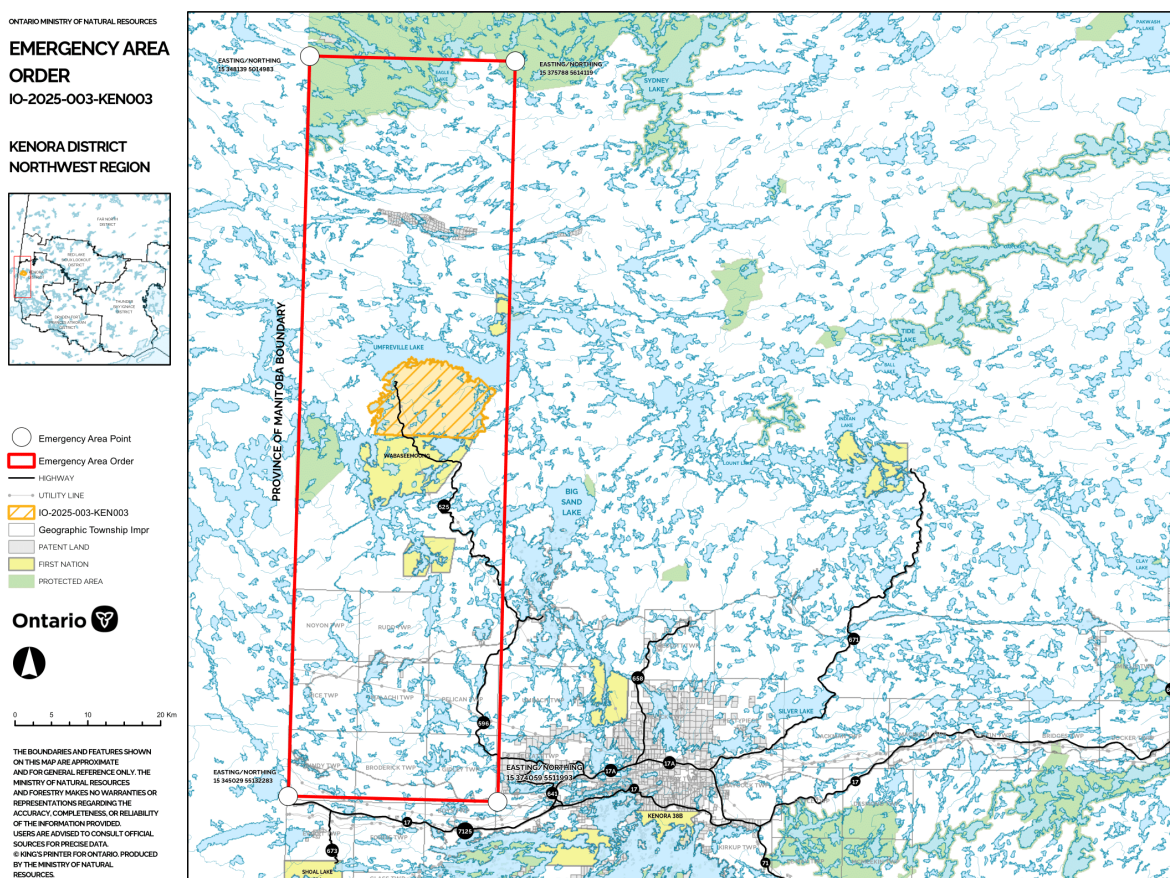
The boundaries and features shown on this map are approximate and for general reference only. The Ministry of Natural Resources makes no warranties or representations regarding the accuracy, completeness, or reliability of the information provided. Users are advised to consult official sources for precise data. King's printer for Ontario, produced by the Ministry of Natural Resources.



KENORA 14

Aviation, Forest Fire and Emergency Services has been advised that as recommended by the Ministry of Natural Resources' Kenora District, an Implementation Order is now in effect for the purposes of public safety and/or effectual fire suppression, for areas near Kenora 14 Under the Emergency Area Order EAO 2025-03 declared on May 13, 2025.

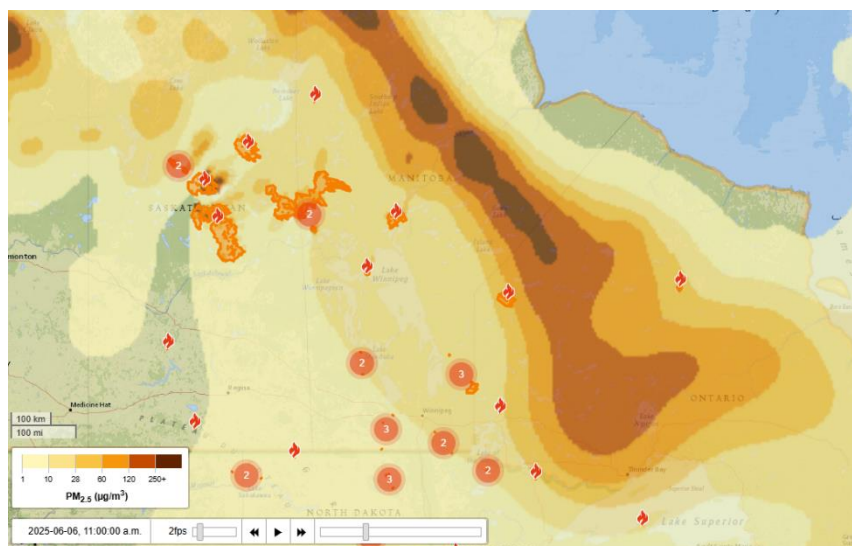
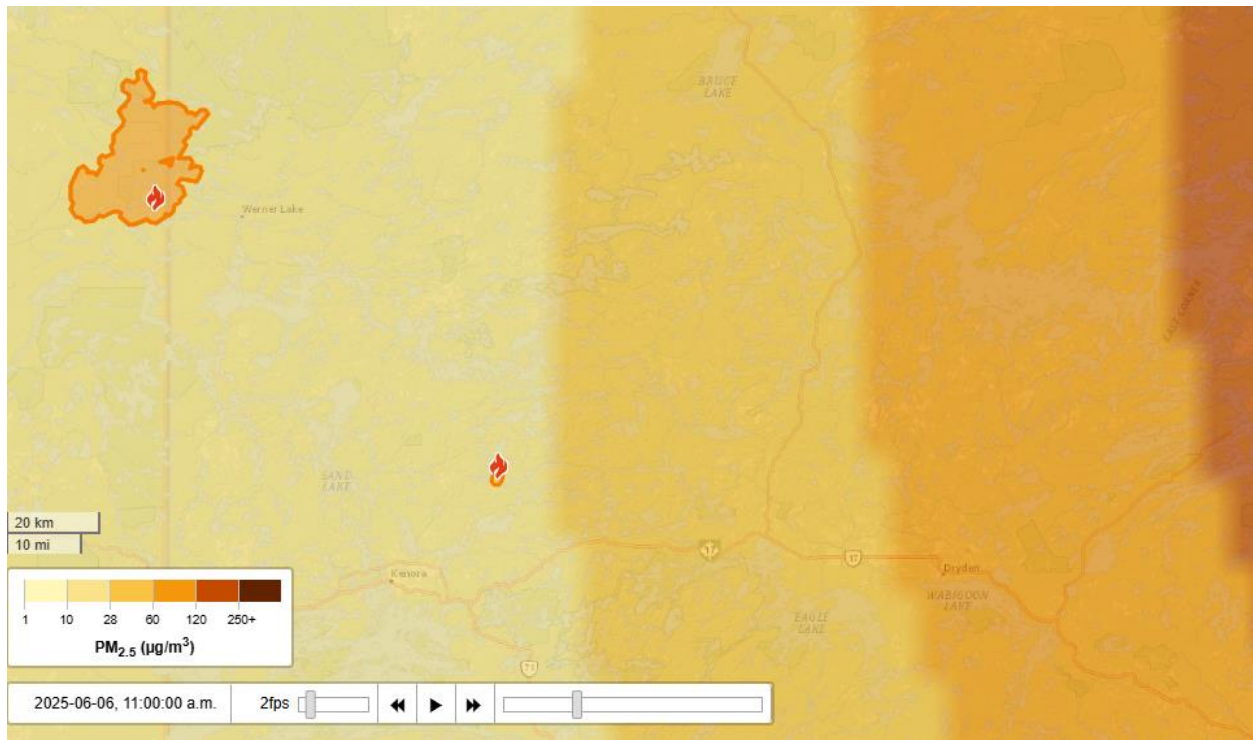
- All travel and use of roads, including Highway 525 at and beyond the northern boundary of Wabaseemoong First Nation, is prohibited unless authorized by a travel permit.
- All use of lakes and waterways within the English River system between Tetu Lake (UTM 15U 356895 5562897) and Umfreville Lake (UTM 358379 5570917) is prohibited.
- All use of lakes and waterways between Goshawk Lake (UTM 15U 371012 5562576) and Umfreville Lake (UTM 3712722 5570758) is prohibited.
- All use and occupation of Crown Land, within the hatched area identified on the above Implementation Order map (Schedule A), is prohibited.



FireSmoke Canada

FireSmoke Canada is the Canadian portal for information about wildland fire weather and smoke. From here you can access interactive maps displaying smoke and fire weather forecasts. These tools and data help raise awareness and make decisions about air quality, health and safety and emergency management.

Communities may be impacted by smoke drift from nearby fires, or fires in other provinces. Visit [FireSmoke.ca](https://firesmoke.ca) to see the current smoke forecast.



Environment Canada – Air Quality Warning

Smoke is causing or expected to cause poor air quality and reduced visibility.

Wildfire smoke may remain in place through tonight for many areas.

People more likely to be impacted by wildfire smoke, including people aged 65 and older, pregnant people, infants and young children, people with an existing illness or chronic health condition, and people who work outdoors, should avoid strenuous activities outdoors and seek medical attention if experiencing symptoms.

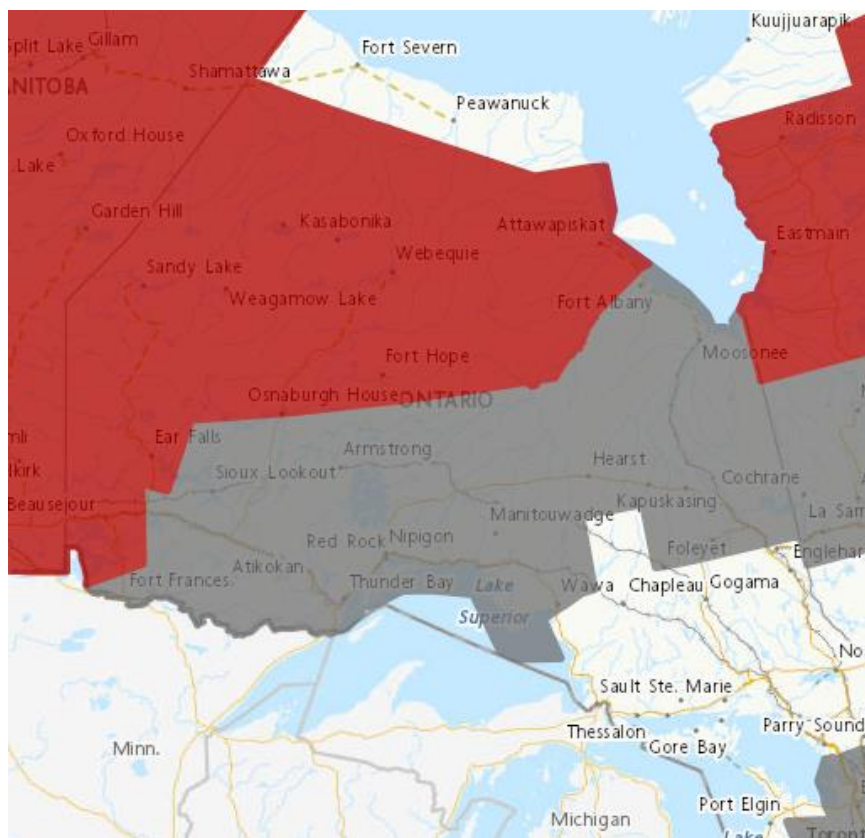
Always follow guidance from local authorities.

Learn more at canada.ca/wildfire-smoke.

Visit airhealth.ca for information on how to reduce your health risk and your personal contribution to pollution levels, as well as for current and forecast AQHI values.














Please continue to monitor alerts and forecasts issued by Environment Canada.

Issued by Environment Canada and the Province of Ontario.



Environment Canada map depicting area (shaded red) impacted by Air Quality Warning.

Weather outlook – June 6-June 12

Fri 6 Jun	Sat 7 Jun	Sun 8 Jun	Mon 9 Jun	Tue 10 Jun	Wed 11 Jun	Thu 12 Jun
 23°C Smoke	 21°C 30% Chance of showers	 18°C Showers	 19°C 40% Chance of showers	 22°C 30% Chance of showers	 24°C A mix of sun and cloud	 24°C A mix of sun and cloud
Tonight	Night	Night	Night	Night	Night	
 15°C A few clouds	 12°C Showers	 11°C Showers	 12°C 30% Chance of showers	 14°C Cloudy periods	 16°C Cloudy periods	

Weather overview for June 6

Today will be mostly sunny with some afternoon clouds rolling in. Temperature 24C, RH near 30%. Winds might be higher than originally forecasted today – expecting 10-20 km/hr sustained out of the southwest and gusts up to 30 km/hr.

Restricted Fire Zone in effect

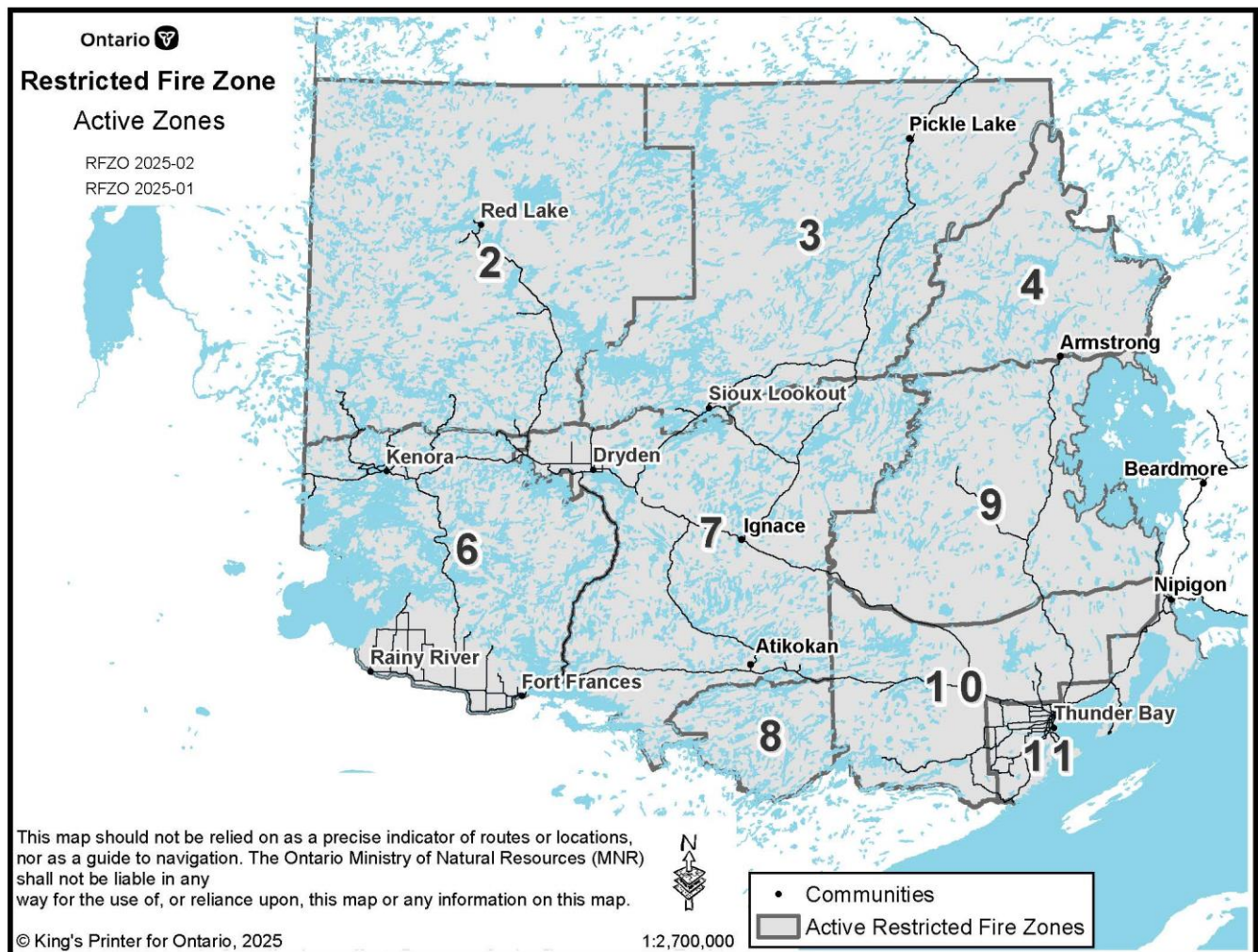
A Restricted Fire Zone is currently in effect in the Northwest Region for:

Zones 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Due to the extreme forest fire hazard conditions and to reduce the number of human-caused fires, the Ministry of Natural Resources has declared a Restricted Fire Zone for Zones 2, 3, 6, 7, 8 on May 16, and expanded the RFZ to include zones 4, 9, 10, 10, 11, effective Friday, May 30, at 12:01 a.m. local time.

The area impacted is from the Southwest corner of the USA, Manitoba and Ontario border, North along the Manitoba border to West of the midway point of Weeskayjahk Ohtahzhoganeeng Provincial Park, East to the western boundary Wabakimi Provincial Park, heading north and along the boundary of Wabakimi Provincial Park, south along the eastern side of the Little Jackfish River system, to the north end of Lake Nipigon, following the western shore of Lake Nipigon south to the west side of the Nipigon River system heading south to Red Rock and along the northeast boundary of Black Bay continuing south along the west side of St. Ignace Island to the Canada – USA border, then west along the Canada USA border to the Southwest corner of the USA, Manitoba and Ontario border.

No open air burning, including campfires, is permitted within the boundaries of a Restricted Fire Zone. Portable gas or propane stoves may be used for cooking and warmth BUT must be handled with extreme caution. All burning permits are suspended. [Learn more about the fire restrictions here.](#)



Wildland Fire Q&A

Incident Management Teams

Since May 13, a Type 1 Incident Management Team (IMT) has been responsible for the command and management of Kenora 20 and Kenora 14.

Q: What is an Incident Management Team?

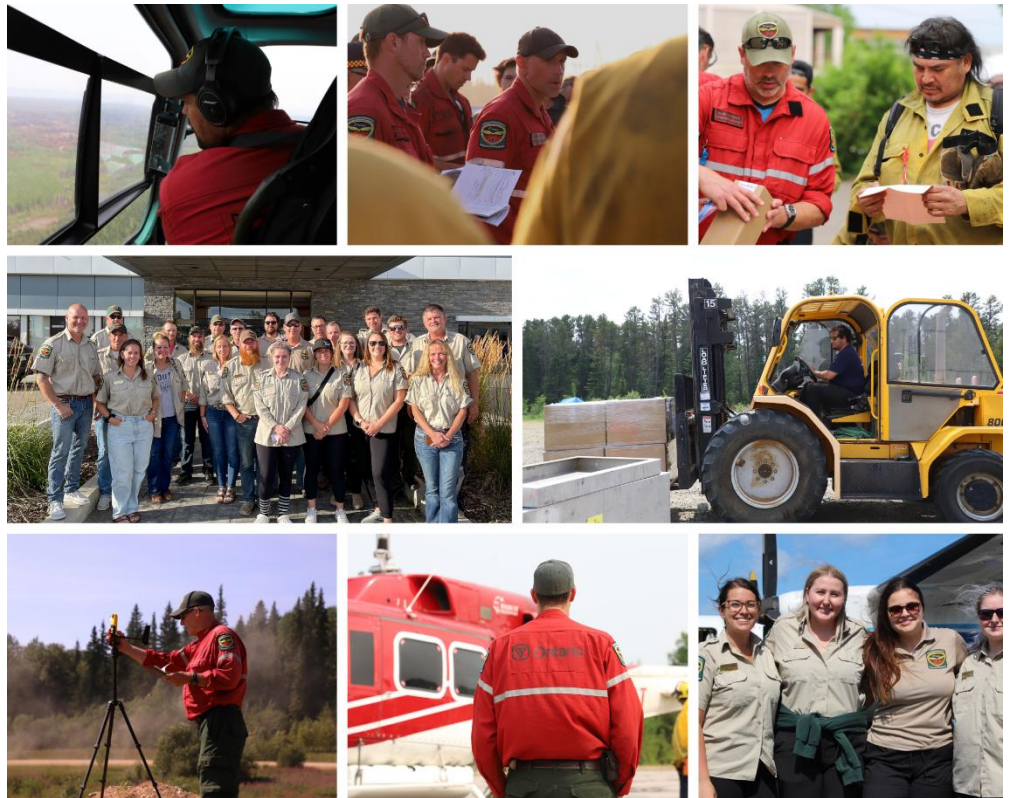
An Incident Management Team is a specialized group of personnel mobilized to manage complex emergencies. These teams include dedicated roles in command, operations, planning, logistics, finance, and administration. Ontario's Aviation, Forest Fire and Emergency Services (AFFES) IMTs are specifically trained to manage and suppress complex wildland fires.

Q: How many Incident Management teams does AFFES have?

During wildland fire season, AFFES runs a rotation of four Type 1 IMTs ready to be deployed to complex wildland fires in Ontario or out of province when needed.

Q: What do AFFES Incident Management Teams do in the winter?

In the off-season, the AFFES IMT Working Group comes together to brainstorm strategies to boost our teams' capacity and enhance wildland fire preparedness. Our teams may also be deployed out of country to support wildland firefighting agencies with opposite fire seasons.



Members of the Brown IMT, currently overseeing the management of Kenora 14 and Kenora 20.

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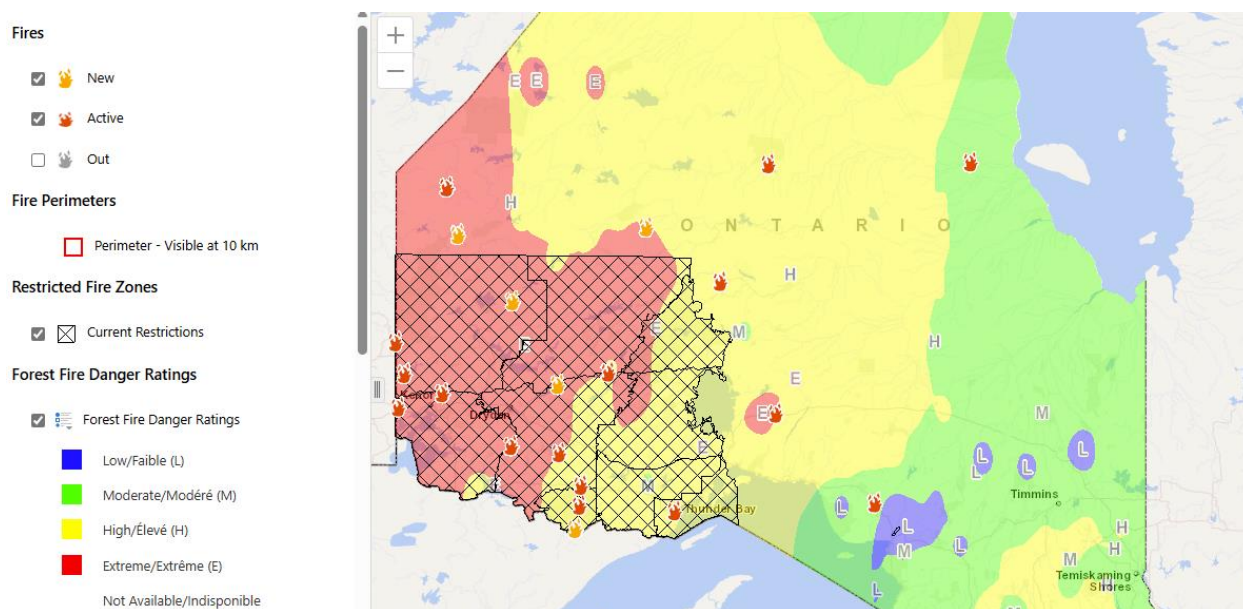
English - www.ontario.ca/page/forest-fires

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View our interactive fire map

To view our interactive fire map - featuring active fires, fire perimeters, and detailed boundaries of the Restricted Fire Zone - please visit:

<https://www.lioapplications.lrc.gov.on.ca/ForestFireInformationMap/index.html?viewer=FFIM.FFIM>



Ontario's interactive fire map, June 6, 2025, 07:00. The interactive fire map provides the forest fire danger rating as calculated by over 130 weather stations across Ontario's Fire Region. This changes throughout the day to reflect up to date weather information.