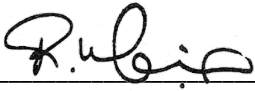


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**Re: Delegation of Minister's Authority under the *Wildfire Act***

I delegate the Minister's powers and duties under the *Wildfire Act*, as set out in the attachments to this memorandum.

This memorandum revokes and replaces the previous Delegation of the Minister's Authority under the *Wildfire Act* signed by then Deputy Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development dated May 18, 2021.



Minister of Forests  
(or authorized signatory)

April 27, 2023

Date

Richard Manwaring, Deputy Minister

Printed Name and Title  
(if authorized signatory)

Attachments:

1. Delegation of Minister of Forests Powers and Duties under the *Wildfire Act* and Regulation, April 2023

# DELEGATION OF MINISTER OF FORESTS POWERS AND DUTIES UNDER THE WILDFIRE ACT AND REGULATION

**April 2023**

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| ADM = Assistant Deputy Minister               | FOR = Ministry of Forests                  |
| BI = Business Intelligence                    | OD = Organizational Development            |
| DIR = Director                                | PFED = Provincial Fire Equipment Depots    |
| ED = Executive Director                       | SE = Strategic Engagement                  |
| FFA = Facilities, Fleet and Assets            | SII = Strategic Initiatives and Innovation |
| FNIR = First Nations and Indigenous Relations |  |

All delegations are to staff in BC Wildfire Service except for District Manager, FOR

A reference to a delegate in the table below includes a person acting for the delegate.

| <b>WILDFIRE ACT</b>  |  |                |   |                   |
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| <b>Topic</b>   |  | <b>Section</b> | <b>Delegation</b>   | <b>Directions</b> |
|  | Definition “Official”                    | 1              | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE  |                   |
| <b>Part 2 – Authority of Government for Fire Prevention and Fire Control</b> |  |                |   |                   |
|  | Policies and priorities for fire control | 8              | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE  |                   |
|  | Government may carry out fire control    | 9 (7)          | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager |                   |
|  | Restricted areas                         | 11 (1)         | DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager  |                   |
|  | Prohibited and restricted activities     | 12 (1)         | DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager  |                   |

| <b>WILDFIRE ACT</b> |  |                |  |  |
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| <b>Topic</b>        |  | <b>Section</b> | <b>Delegation</b>  | <b>Directions</b>  |
|                     |  | 12 (4)         | DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR  | District Manager must consult with Fire Centre Manager prior to issuing exemptions |
|                     | Compensation for persons carrying out fire control | 17 (3.1)       | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Senior Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |
|                     | Right of government to use fire                    | 18             | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager  |  |

| <b>Part 3 – Administrative Remedies and Cost Recovery</b> |  |                |  |  |
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| Division 2 – Cost Recovery and Administrative Remedies    | Recovery of fire control costs and related amounts | 25 (1) and (2) | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |
|   | Contravention orders                               | 26             | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |

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|  | Administrative penalties and cost recovery | 27 (1)         | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |
|  | Remediation orders                         | 28 (1) and (3) | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |

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| Division 3 –<br>Corrections,<br>Reviews and<br>Appeals | Correction of an<br>order                      | 35                | ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire<br>Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |
|  | Order stayed until<br>proceedings<br>concluded | 36 (2)            | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE  |  |
|  | Review of an order                             | 37 (1)            | ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director  |  |
|  |  | 37 (4)            | ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director  |  |
|  | Board may require<br>review of order           | 38 (1) and<br>(3) | ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director  |  |

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|  | Powers of commission                    | 41 (3) | ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Manager, Wildfire Risk   |  |
| <b>Part 4 – Offences, Court Orders and Proceedings</b> |   |        |   |  |
| Division 2 – Court Orders                              | Court orders on application by minister | 47 (1) | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE  |  |
| <b>Part 5 – General</b>                                |   |        |   |  |
| Division 2 – Powers of the Minister                    | Extension of time                       | 59     | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR |  |
|  | Power to enter into agreements          | 60     | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE  |  |

| WILDFIRE REGULATION                 |  |         |  |            |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------|--|------------|
| Topic                               |  | Section | Delegation   | Directions |
| Part 3 – Fire Control               |  |         |  |            |
|                                     | Rates of compensation                          | 14 (c)  | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE   |            |
|                                     |  | 14 (d)  | ADM<br>ED<br>DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager  |            |
| Part 6 – Cost Recovery and Remedies |  |         |  |            |
| Division 1 – Determinations         | Determination of damages                       | 30 (b)  | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager<br>Deputy Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |            |
|                                     | Determination of government fire control costs | 31 (2)  | DIR, Corporate Governance<br>DIR, Fire Centre Operations<br>DIR, Provincial Operations<br>DIR, SE<br>Deputy Director<br>Manager, Wildfire Prevention<br>Manager, SII<br>Manager, Wildfire Operations<br>Strategic Advisor<br>Fire Centre Manager<br>Deputy Fire Centre Manager<br>District Manager, FOR<br>Business Manager,   |            |



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|  |  |  | Deputy Manager, Wildfire<br>Prevention<br>Manager, BI<br>Manager, FFA<br>Manager, FNIR<br>Manager, OD<br>Manager, PFED |  |
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