

May 2020

CITY OF  
**Quesnel**

# Forestry Initiatives Program

Updating you on the reinvention of Quesnel's forest sector

## Reducing wildfire risk through thinning

### OUR AIRPORT FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT WAS FEATURED IN THE FPINNOVATIONS BLOG!

"The city needed to protect the community by reducing wildfire risk close to the Quesnel airport. By thinning the trees and removing ladder fuels and lower branches, the risk of an out-of-control crown fire—where a fire goes from one treetop to another—dramatically decreased. The City also wished to enhance wildlife habitat and create a recreational trail system in the same area and generate green energy from the woody biomass that otherwise would have been slash-burned in the process.

The research on these operations helped identify the true efficiency of forest fuel reduction treatments and reveal associated costs. Not only do these treatments reduce wildfire risk, but they also achieve other forest management objectives—specifically when it comes to areas that are adjacent to communities and critical infrastructure."

**Check out more news articles featuring the Forestry Initiatives Program at:**  
[www.quesnel.ca/forestry](http://www.quesnel.ca/forestry) under *"In the News"*

### COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN (CWPP)

Areas being targeted for spring and fall fuel management treatments are Pinnacles Park, South Quesnel, Sugar Loaf Park, Dragon Mountain Road, Ten Mile Provincial Park, the Hangman Springs trail system, and the Claymine Trails area.

Watch for updates on the City of Quesnel website and Facebook page about possible trail closures.



### FORESTRY INNOVATION CENTRE

We are continuing to collaborate with our partners including the Ministry of Forests (FLNRORD), FPInnovations, UBC, College of New Caledonia, UNBC, and more to attract research and industry opportunities to Quesnel.

# Do your part – Be FireSmart!

**LEARN MORE**

**[firesmartbc.ca](http://firesmartbc.ca)**

call: 250-992-5833 or

email: [firesmart@quesnel.ca](mailto:firesmart@quesnel.ca)

## May is FireSmart month in Quesnel and area

Learn how to incorporate FireSmart methods and materials into your home maintenance and landscaping – during the month of May, visit participating home building supply retailers and nurseries to pick-up information and ideas on how to get started.

## ENTER TO WIN 1 OF 2 \$100 GIFT CARDS TO A LOCAL BUILDING SUPPLY STORE!

Contests close May 31, 2020 and are open to City of Quesnel and adjacent Cariboo Regional District residents. Both contests may be entered.

### ENTER OUR PHOTO CONTEST

Show us how you FireSmart! Send a before and after photo of a FireSmart activity around your yard or home. For example: raking up leaves, pruning tree branches, or closing your eaves.

Email to [firesmart@quesnel.ca](mailto:firesmart@quesnel.ca) to be entered to win.

### FILL OUT OUR FIRESMART SURVEY

We want to hear from you! Help us protect our community from wildfire – fill out our quick survey for a chance to win!  
**[bit.ly/2VOJ2ZE](https://bit.ly/2VOJ2ZE)**



### CHECK OUT THE FULL LANDSCAPING GUIDE

**[bit.ly/2WLodgP](https://bit.ly/2WLodgP)**



### SEE THE FULL FIRESMART BEGINS AT HOME MANUAL

**[bit.ly/35PKluz](https://bit.ly/35PKluz)**

