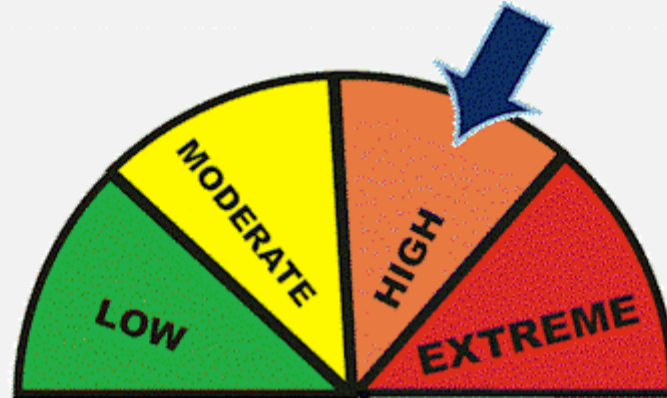# Extreme Fire Ban April 13, 2023

Leonard Lake Stakeholders Association

A community focused on protecting, nurturing and cultivating the natural, physical and social characteristics of Leonard Lake

Muskoka Fire Danger Rating 1-877-847-1577. Provided by the Muskoka Association of Fire Chiefs

The Fire Rating is now set at HIGH NO DAYTIME BURNING is allowed. Use extreme caution with all outdoor burning.

NOTE: Many areas in Muskoka are still snow covered but areas that have melted are drying up quickly. Dry grass and leaves can ignite easily from something as small as an improperly discarded cigarette butt. Dry conditions contribute to rapid fire spread and a small fire can become a large one in just minutes. Some fire departments in Muskoka have already responded to out-of-control grass fires this week. Warm, sunny days are forecasted and will continue to dry out ground cover. T

This is the Forest Fire Danger Rating for Restricted Fire Zone RFZ 27 (District of Muskoka). The Muskoka Fire Season runs April 1st to October 31st each year. The rating is verified daily and updated whenever the rating changes. For complete information on burning in your municipality please check with your local municipality at: Bracebridge 705-645-8258 Georgian Bay 705-538-2337 Gravenhurst 705-687-3414 Huntsville 705-789-5201 Lake of Bays 705-635-2272 Muskoka Lakes 705-765-3156

The Muskoka Fire Danger Rating is determined using the Fire Weather Index (FWI), an internationally used method for determining the risk of fires in open air. It uses factors such as the relative humidity, temperature, previous 24-hour rain amount, wind directions and wind speed in combination with the forest fuel type and loads to determine the risk of the forest to certain fire types. From this calculation the Forest Fire Danger Rating is made in consultation with the Fire Chiefs of the six area municipalities and the Ministry of Natural Resources. If applicable: please move the arrow on the rating board to the HIGH setting.

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