

## Town of Riverview COUNCIL REPORT FORM



Presented to: Town Council

Department: Fire and Rescue

Date: April 10, 2024

Subject: Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Risk

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**BACKGROUND** A Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) fire is one where various structures, usually private homes and other developments meet, or are intermingled with, wildland fuel fires. There is significant risk to public and private property associated with WUI fires, which may also include community evacuations. FireSmart Canada is an organization that is solely focused on assisting communities with mitigating the risk posed by WUI fires. Riverview Fire and Rescue is partnering with DNRE as well as FireSmart Canada to hold an information session on Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 10:00am until 12:00pm at the Riverview Fire Hall. It is our hope that the residents of Riverview begin to learn how they can mitigate their risk by attending this information session.

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

**Financial:** The Town of Riverview received a \$500 grant from FireSmart Canada in support of this event. There will be minimal cost to the Town of Riverview associated with this public information presentation.

**RECOMMENDATION FROM STAFF:** This report is for information only to Council, and no action is required. We would, however, welcome attendance by Council members at the May 4<sup>th</sup> information session, and further welcome assistance in publicizing this event.

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