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## LONG LAKE WILDFIRES COMPLEX

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**USPA NEWS** - The Long Lake wildfires complex is still uncontrolled, covering approximately 8468 hectares, with no additional damage reported and elevated morale among crews making steady headway around the perimeter.

Aircraft are releasing water, facilitating the securing of hose lines by ground crews and their subsequent advancement into the fire.

On-hand resources include 10 helicopters, four planes and a bird dog. Firefighting personnel at the site include 24 Department of Natural Resources (DNR), 39 Ontario, 40 Quebec, and 60 local firefighters, plus approximately 30 pieces of heavy machinery.

During the wildfire season, which typically occurs between March 15th and October 15th, it is not uncommon to notice the smell of smoke in the air, particularly in the morning. Most of the time, this smoke can be carried from fires burning in other areas of the province or even farther away.

Under what circumstances should you call 911? You see a defined column of smoke. You notice visible flames. There's a new, dark plume of smoke in the sky.

Returning home after wildfire evacuation: This information offers a comprehensive collection of health and safety items to consider as you return to your home and property that has not suffered fire damage.

Please see the list of commonly asked questions and a useful link to provide answers.

When and what type of breathing protection should I use when entering these areas? What other type of personal protective equipment (PPE) might I need to clean up my home and property after the wildfire? How can I safely re-enter my yard? How can I safely re-enter my home? What if I have a home heating oil tank? Which items will I need to discard when I return home? How should I handle food that was in my home during the wildfire? What about air circulation in the home? What safety precautions should I take when cleaning up smoke damage, ash, and soot? How do I handle deceased pets/animals? Is my well water safe? How can I maintain my mental health?

<https://novascotia.ca/alerts/docs/returning-home-after-wildfire-evacuation.pdf>

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