



## **FIRE**

### **TOWN OF CLARESHOLM FIRE DEPARTMENT**

#### **MONTHLY UPDATE**

#### **FOR THE PERIOD OF: JUNE 19, 2024 TO AUGUST 7, 2024**

1. The summer call volume has been steady for the members of Claresholm Fire; luckily however, we have had a minimum of outside fires. As of this report, Claresholm Fire has responded to over **255** separate calls for service this fire year and we still have 2.5 months to go.

During this six-week period we have responded to 43 events, including:

- a. 5 Motor Vehicle Collisions
  - b. 2 Outside Fires
  - c. 2 Search & Rescue events (1 back country, 1 water)
  - d. 1 Structure Fire
  - e. 1 Vehicle Fire
  - f. 1 Carbon Monoxide alarm – this is unusual given the time of year; however the occupants of the home were lucky they had a functioning CO alarm as our initial readings we approaching 500ppm – which can be fatal in 1-2 hours!
2. There are currently no open safety codes files, but there are 3 pending inspections for the month of August, including the annual inspection of West Meadow Elementary School.

3. Chief White and Lt. Glimsdale were both successful in the second portion of their NFPA 1002 Driver/Operator course and are now both certified fire apparatus driver/operators. Job well done by both members on one of the most challenging courses in the NFPA series!
4. We are currently in the process of filling the last of the vacancies on our roster, which is a relief to all, and it will be nice to have a full membership once again.
5. Late July saw some very hot weather, and what better way to beat the heat than with a water fight! Members of the department took our Town engine and joined the kids and parents at the Spray Park for some refreshing fun on the afternoon of July 24 – a good time was had by all 😊
6. This past weekend saw the death of a wildland firefighter working the Jasper wildfire. In a show of respect, flags at the fire hall have been lowered to half-mast until his funeral, our thoughts are with the members of Alberta Wildfire at this difficult time.
7. Due to the hot and dry summer (excluding the past couple days of showers), the Fire Chief has placed the Town under a fire advisory and has suspended the issuance of open burning permits until conditions improve.
8. Last, but not least, this past week saw the Fire Chief receive an update on the construction of our new Fire Engine! It is currently in production at Fort Gary Fire Trucks in Winnipeg, MB and is scheduled for completion by the end of August, at which point the Chief will travel to Winnipeg for a final inspection. Photos of the apparatus under construction are attached.
9. As always, fire danger and drought information graphics are attached.

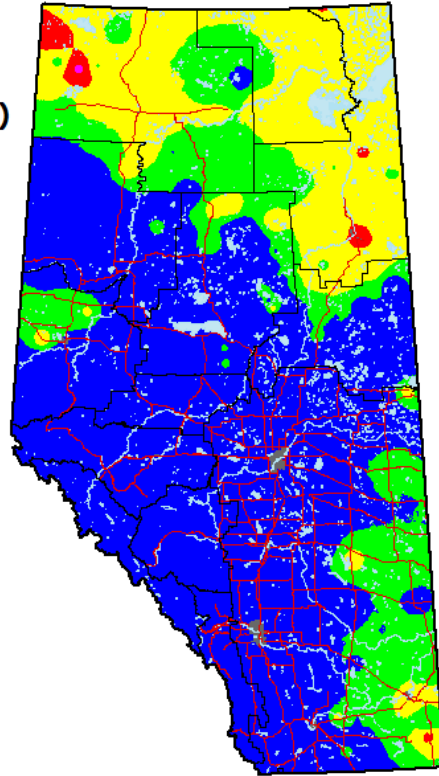
Respectfully submitted,

Craig White

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## Fire Danger (Fire Weather Index) for August 7, 2024

- Low
- Moderate
- High
- Very High
- Extreme
- No Data

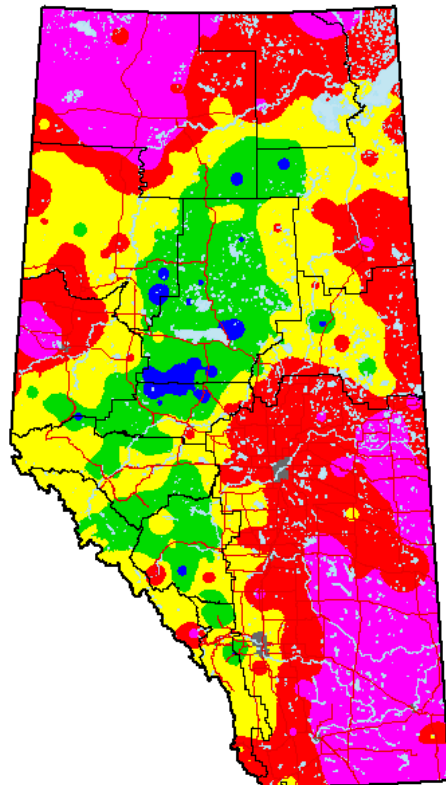


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## Drought Code for August 7, 2024

- 0 - 79
- 80 - 189
- 190 - 299
- 300 - 424
- 425+
- No Data



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