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State of Local Emergency – Whiteshell Provincial Park

WHEREAS: Out-of-control wildfires adjacent to and within Whiteshell Provincial Park are threatening infrastructure, properties and road and highway conditions within the area of the park. Prompt action to prevent harm or damage to the safety, health or welfare of persons located within Whiteshell Provincial Park, and to prevent damage to property within the entire boundary of the park is required.

WHEREAS: These wildfire conditions present such an urgency within Whiteshell Provincial Park, that this emergency compels me to respond to immediately on behalf of Manitoba Parks.

THEREFORE: pursuant to subsection 11(2) of *The Emergency Measures Act*, Cap. E80 of the Continuing Consolidation of the Statutes of Manitoba, I, Rob Nedotiafko, Director of Parks, declares a state of local emergency for Whiteshell Provincial Park from May 15, 2025 to June 6, 2025.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that pursuant to subsection 12(1) "Order powers – minister, local authority" under The Emergency Measures Act, and present declared state of local emergency for Whiteshell Provincial Park, I, Rob Nedotiafko, Director of Parks, issue order 12(1)(e) and the evacuation of current persons or occupiers in Whiteshell Provincial Park by Thursday, May 15th, 2025, 1 pm.

This declared state of local emergency and ordered evacuation for Whiteshell Provincial Park is in addition to my May 14, 2025, Director's Order, As Director of Parks, by way of section 27(1) of The Provincial Parks Act, enacting the closure of Whiteshell Provincial Park by Thursday May 15th, 2025, 9 am, with all persons required to evacuate the closure area by Thursday, May 15th, 2025, 1 pm.

The Director's Order under The Provincial Parks Act is in effect until such time as it is rescinded.

