



Environment and Climate Change  
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**State of Local Emergency – Nopiming, Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and  
Manigotagan River Provincial Parks  
Evacuation Orders and Provincial Park Closures**

WHEREAS: An out-of-control wildfire adjacent to the western boundary and within Nopiming Provincial Park is threatening infrastructure, properties and road and highway conditions within the area of the park in eastern Manitoba. Prompt action to prevent harm or damage to the safety, health or welfare of persons located within Nopiming, as well as Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks, and to prevent damage to property within those boundaries is required.

WHEREAS: These wildfire conditions present such an urgency within Nopiming Provincial Park, as well as to Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks, 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 Nopiming, Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks from May 13, 2025 to May 30, 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 Nopiming, Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks, I, Rob Nedotiafko, Director of Parks, issue order 12(1)(e) and the evacuation of the following current persons or occupiers in Nopiming, Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks as follows:

- South Nopiming: Bird, Booster, Davidson and Flanders Lakes:
  - Cottagers and residents are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 11 am;
  - Commercial operators and commercial resort/lodge operators are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 11 am.
  - Backcountry users and campers are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
- North Nopiming: Long and Beresford Lakes:
  - Cottagers and residents are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon;

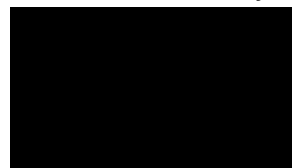
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- Commercial operators and commercial resort/lodge operators are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
- Backcountry users and campers are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
- Wallace Lake:
  - Cottagers and residents are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon;
  - Commercial operators and commercial resort/lodge operators are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
  - Backcountry users and campers are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
- South Atikaki:
  - Backcountry users, campers and commercial operators are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.
- Manigotagan River:
  - Backcountry users, campers and commercial operators are to evacuate and vacate the closure area by Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 12 noon.

Be it further resolved that it is imperative that an issuance of a Director's Order, As Director of Parks, by way of section 27(1) of The Provincial Parks Act, is necessary to implement a specific closure to all public and private developed areas in Nopiming, Wallace Lake, South Atikaki and Manigotagan River Provincial Parks, including all cottage subdivisions, commercial areas, campgrounds, group use, day use, recreational and picnic areas, playgrounds, trails, beaches and backcountry canoe routes and campsites.

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

Dated the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025



Rob Nedotiafko  
Director, Manitoba Parks