



REGIONAL DISTRICT
of Fraser-Fort George

UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS

Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans

WHAT ARE COMMUNITY WILDFIRE RESILIENCY PLANS?

Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans (CWRPs) are the next generation of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs). They focus on the specific needs of each community and every CWRP is based on the same 7 FireSmart disciplines.

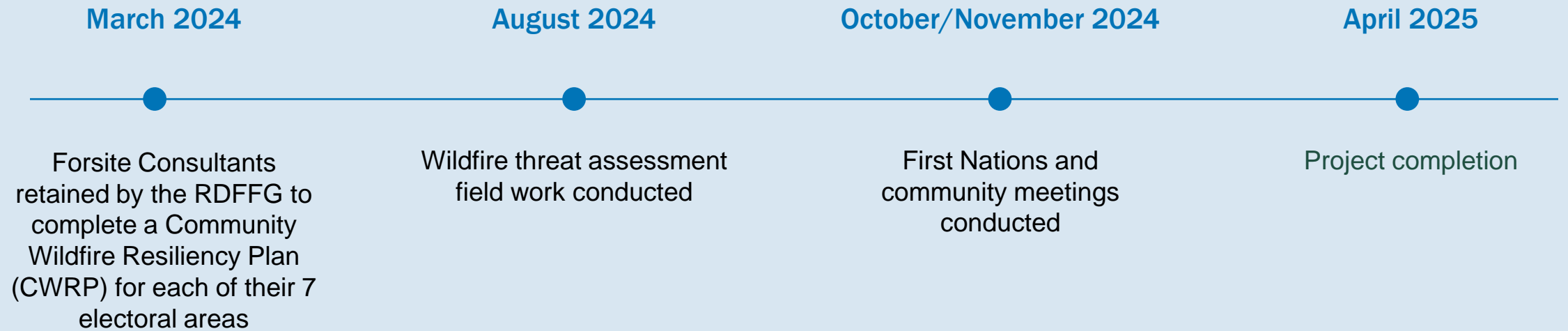
CWRPs are being created in every municipality, regional district, and IR across the province.

High level plans designed to:

- Reduce wildfire risk
- Better protect life and property
- Improve overall preparedness



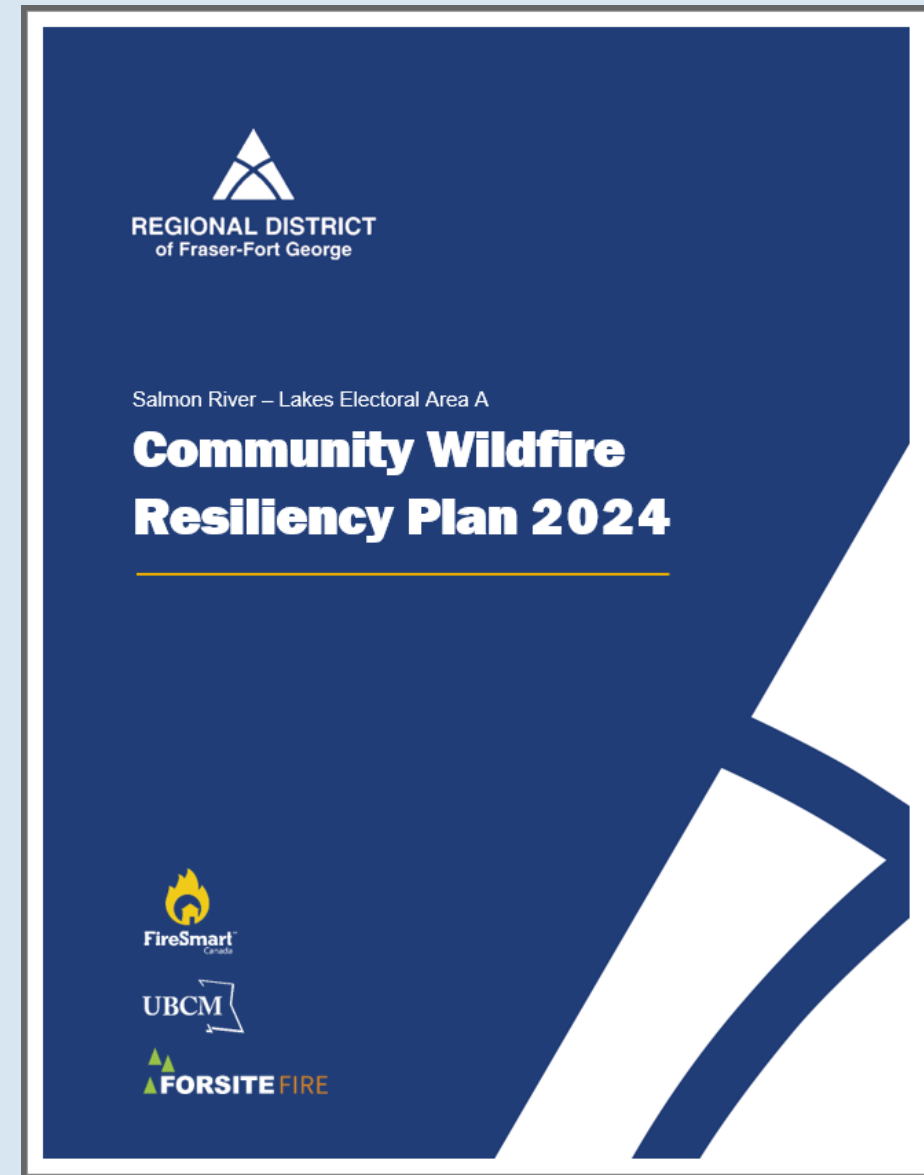
RDFFG PROJECT TIMELINE



CWRP CONTENTS

Plan Contents

- Risk summary and an Action Plan
- Community Description
- Wildfire Risk Assessments
- Breakdown of wildfire resiliency as it relates to each FireSmart discipline
- List of Fuel Treatment Units (FTUs)



EXAMPLE ACTION PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

- The Action Plan outlines possible initiatives to improve wildfire resiliency for the community
- Recommendations require various time and financial commitments
- Opportunities for collaboration on forest management planning and harvest operations to reduce wildfire risk are possibilities

Salmon River - Lakes Electoral Area A CWRP Action Plan						
Action	Lead(s)	Priority	Timeframe	Resources Required	Metric for Success	Rationale/Notes
3. Organize and hold a FireSmart event in Electoral Area A to familiarize FireSmart concepts to regional district communities. Event types include a Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, Farm and Ranch Wildfire Preparedness Workshop, Neighbourhood Champion workshop, or Fire Hall open house	RDFFG Emergency Preparedness staff, FireSmart Coordinator	Very High	Annually, ideally between the months of May and October	Communication and public outreach resources such as social media, webpage postings, posters, etc. Resources to run the event such as tent, food, staff/volunteers, FireSmart promotional materials	Hold a minimum of one type of FireSmart per year within an Electoral Area A community. Participation/attendance target of 10% of the electoral area population (approximately 350 people total) for all events	Funding is available through the UBCM's Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program to organize, host or support FireSmart events
36. Apply for funding to develop fuel management prescriptions for forested areas identified on provincial crown land within the eligible WUIs. It is recommended to start with priority 1 proposed fuel treatment areas as identified within this CWRP. NOTE: This should occur in collaboration with the Ministry of Forests as many of the proposed fuel	FireSmart Coordinator	High	Annually, ongoing	A Registered Professional Forester is required to write all fuel management prescriptions.	A minimum of 2-3 fuel management prescriptions are developed for an identified fuel treatment area within the Regional District each year. This target is Regional District wide	Funding is available through UBCM's CRI program for fuel management prescription development

WRAP UP AND WHAT'S NEXT?

Outcomes

- Seven CWRPs, one for each electoral area
- GIS and spatial data on wildfire risk
- Access to CRI funding
- Relationships built with First Nation partners and our communities

Future Possibilities

- Fuel Treatments / Prescriptions
- Collaboration with partners on fuel management, emergency training, educational events, etc.
- New FireSmart initiatives





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THANK YOU
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