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PENTICTON– The Penticton Indian Band, in conjunction with the BC Wildfire, plans to burn approximately 1,300 piles of wood debris in several locations throughout the Penticton Fire Zone as part of fuels management projects intended to reduce the wildfire hazard present in:

- **Carmi Landscape Level Fuel Break** – 800 piles approximately ten kilometres Northeast of Penticton near Steward FSR.
- **White Lake Basin** – 500 piles Adjacent to the Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory (DRAO) off of White Lake Road.

The estimated commencement date for the project is November 9, 2021. Staff from the Penticton Indian Band and BC Wildfire Service will carefully prepare, control, and monitor these fires. Smoke and/or flames may be visible throughout the central and south Okanagan valley. Particularly from Kelowna, Peachland, Summerland, Penticton, Okanagan Falls and HWY 97.

The exact timing of the burns will depend on site, weather, venting and snow conditions. Burning will proceed only if conditions are suitable and allow smoke to dissipate.

To report a wildfire, unattended campfire, or open burning violation, please call 1 800 663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cell phone.

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