

**Town of Lake Cowichan** 

## **NOTICE TO RESIDENTS**

## **OPEN BURNING STRICTLY PROHIBITED**

The Town of Lake Cowichan is advising residents that they are not to engage in any backyard burning at any time.

Effective immediately, any cooking fire or campfire within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Lake Cowichan will be regulated at this time by the BC Campfire Regulations: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/wildfire-status/fire-bans-and-restrictions/bcws\_campfireposter.pdf">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/wildfire-status/fire-bans-and-restrictions/bcws\_campfireposter.pdf</a>

"It is critical that we not elevate the risk for anyone who may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, and local air quality is imperative given the nature of this virus" said Dr. Shannon Waters, Medical Health Officer for the Cowichan Valley.

CVRD recycling centres accept yard waste free of charge.

Report Infractions! Call 1-888-COVID19 (1 888 268-4319) between 7.30 a.m. and 8 p.m., 7 days a week.

Violators face fines of \$1,150 per incident and if a violation causes a wildfire, the person responsible may also be ordered to pay all firefighting and associated costs.

For more information, go to the <u>Town of Lake Cowichan Outdoor Burning Regulation Bylaw No.</u> 878-2009, or call the Municipal Office at 250-749-6681.