

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Open flames, smoking not permitted in City parks

#### Summary

The City of Nanaimo is reminding residents and park users that smoking, campfires and barbeques are not permitted in City parks. Propane barbeques, however, are permitted within the approved locations of the picnic shelters in Bowen Park and Maffeo Sutton Park and on picnic tables within all parks.

For further details or clarification on the notice please contact Nanaimo Parks and Recreation at 250-756-5200.

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#### Key Points

- Nanaimo Parks and Recreation encourages all users of the parks and trails systems to use caution when in the parks and on the trails and to be aware of all fire hazards.
- To report a fire in a City of Nanaimo park or trail, please call 911. To report a wildfire, please call 1-800-663-5555 or \*5555 on most cellular networks.

#### Quotes

"It only takes one spark to start a wildfire. As we head into the dryer season, please take extra care to do your part to ensure the enjoyment and safety of Nanaimo's parks for everyone."

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