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Municipality of Pontiac

April 27, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.

### What you should know :

- All fires in or near the forest are now **BANNED** in the Municipality.
- This ban is issued by the government and applies to all of the Outaouais region but also for the regions of Montérégie, Estrie, Mauricie, National Capital, Laurentides, Lanaudière, Chaudière-Appalaches, Quebec-centre, Laval and Montreal.
- This ban aims to preserve the operational capacity of the SOPFEU and that of municipal fire departments during the pandemic, by limiting the spread of the virus when firefighters respond to emergencies.
- The recommendation issued by the Municipality last week not to make open fires in or near the forest **is now a ban**.

### Where to inquire :

- If you are worried about the COVID-19: 1 877 644-4545;
- For any **help service** (food, seniors, volunteer work, domestic violence, etc.) consult [www.mrcdescollinesdeloutaouais.qc.ca](http://www.mrcdescollinesdeloutaouais.qc.ca);
- To **report any non-urgent situation to the Police department** (denunciations, information, questions): 819-459-2422, ext. 3277 email: [infocovid19@mrcdescollines.com](mailto:infocovid19@mrcdescollines.com);
- To **report any serious situation to the Police department** that requires an intervention: 819-459-9911 or 1-888-459-9911;
- Governmental guidelines :
  - Quebec government: [www.quebec.ca](http://www.quebec.ca);
  - Government of Canada: [www.canada.ca](http://www.canada.ca);
- Municipality of Pontiac's Website: [www.municipalitepontiac.com](http://www.municipalitepontiac.com);
- Municipality of Pontiac's Facebook account: [www.facebook.com/pontiacmun](https://www.facebook.com/pontiacmun).