



**First Nations'**  
**Emergency Services Society**  
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# **FNESS Seasonal Readiness**

## **2023 Natural Hazards Seasonal Technical Briefings**

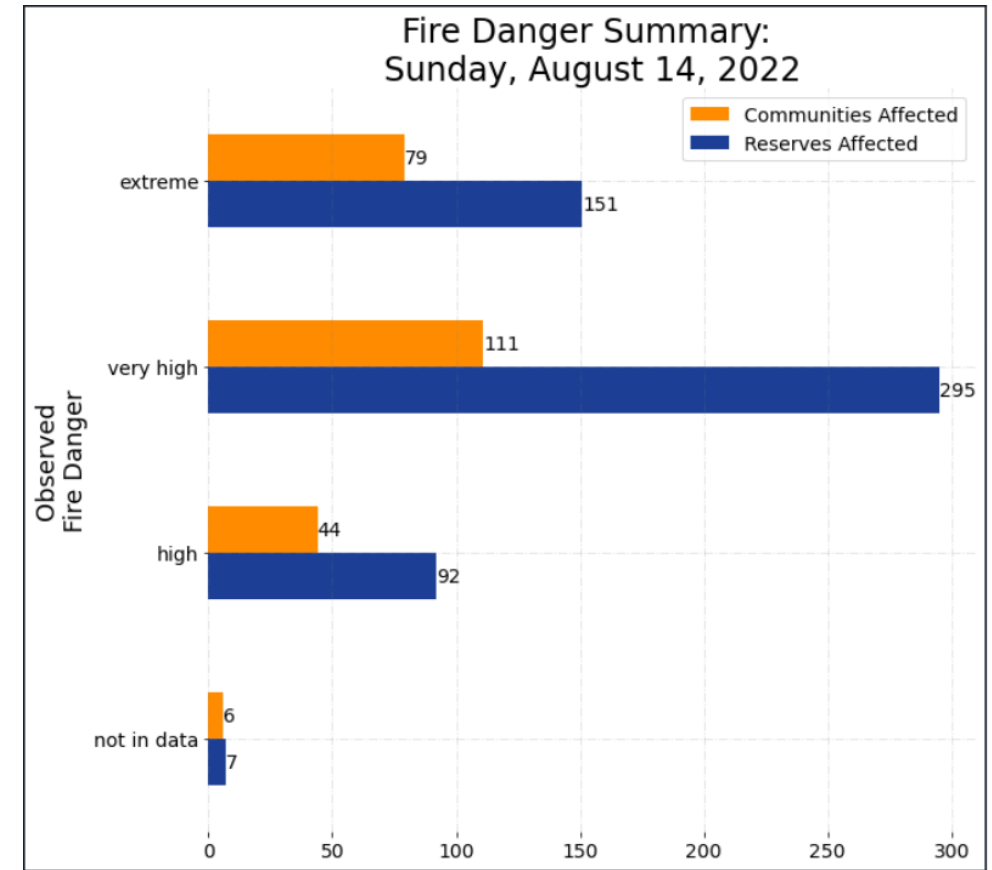
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# Before the Emergency



Some events like flooding is "slow moving" and can be anticipated (even some wildfires in some cases)

- FNESS Community Check-In
- Pre-freshet assessment
- FireSmart Assessment
- Critical Infrastructure Mapping
- Support Evacuation Planning
- Emergency Management Contacts
- **Contact FNESS today to inquire about services, data and resources:**
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# Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Activation & Support



- Support to activate community Emergency Operation Center (EOC)
- "Just in Time" EOC Training for Community EOC
- EOC Starter Kits
- FNESS Liaison Role at Community EOC
- FNESS Liaison Role at Provincial Regional EOC (PREOC) or Provincial Emergency Command Center (PECC).
- FNESS EOC Website - <https://www.fness-eoc.ca/>





## **FNESS Response Team (when invited or requested)**

- Community Check In / Community Outreach
- Liaison at EOC's
- Pre-freshet Assessments / FireSmarting
- Rapid Response Team and Trailers
- Community Training (rapid response team)

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## **FNESS Response Team Resources**

- 7 - Type 2 Structure Protection Units
- 4 - Tiger Dam Trailers
- 4 - Fuel Mitigation Trailers
- 1 - Post Flood Mitigation Trailer
- 1 - Support/Tow Vehicle
- All trailers come with a Team Leader
- FN crews will be trained and utilized to support their communities.
- Trailers will be staged in areas around the province as required.



# Evacuation & Emergency Support Services (ESS)



- Support for Evacuation Planning
- Vulnerable Persons List (continuity of primary care for evacuees)
  - Circle of Care (FNHA)
- First Nations Community Navigator for ESS
- ESS Services
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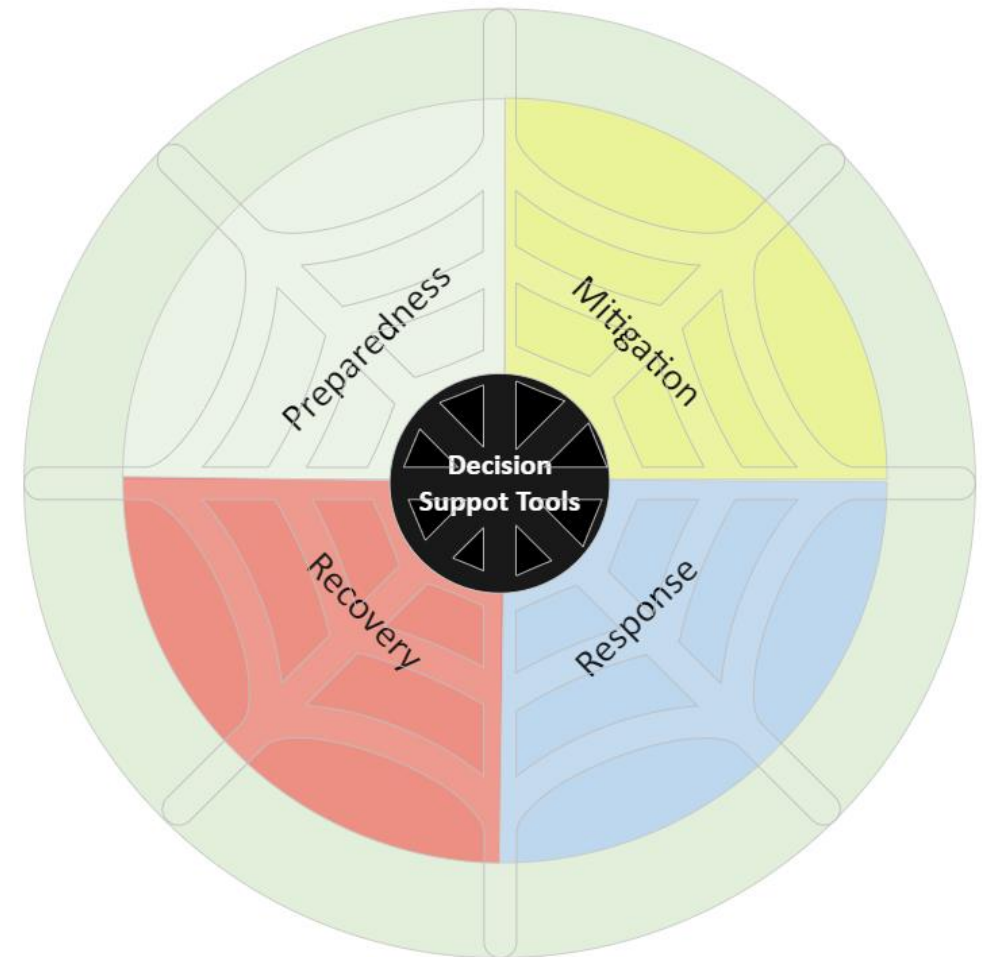




# Transition to Recovery



1. Re-entry to community and transition to recovery
2. Rapid Damage Assessments (RDA)
3. Request Disaster Financial Assistance & any Financial Support from Indigenous Services Canada
4. Resumption of Essential Services
5. Other Recovery (food security, restore utilities)
6. Offer mental health services to community members
7. Obtain EMCR Funding for After Action Review (AAR)



# Mitigation



- FNESS Wildland Firefighter Training Program
- FNESS Wildland Fire Equipment Purchasing Program
- Cultural and Prescribed Fire
- FNESS Provincial FireSmart™ Coordinator
- Wildfire Risk Reduction
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