

Community Preparedness



Values at Risk Identification: Planning for Places That Matter in Wildfire Response



When wildfire threatens an area, response teams must make rapid decisions about where to focus limited time and resources. Taking steps ahead of time helps wildfire managers understand what is at stake and plan their response more effectively.

The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) encourages the registration of [Values at Risk](#) as a practical way to support wildfire planning. Values at Risk include features on the land that could be affected by wildfire, such as buildings, cabins, docks and other structures. Recording these locations before a wildfire occurs gives fire managers a clearer picture of what is on the landscape and where protection efforts may be most critical.

Registration is intended for Values at Risk located within the provincial forest or within 4.5 kilometres of the provincial forest boundary. Values located within urban or rural municipalities do not need to be registered. The registration process is completed through a short online form, and SPSA staff are available to provide guidance if assistance is needed. Information provided through the Values at Risk registry remains confidential and is used for only wildfire management purposes.

Important note: During active wildfires, the immediate priority is responding to fire conditions on the ground. While SPSA works to protect personal property whenever possible, submitting Values at Risk information does not guarantee protection, and staff may not be able to respond to submissions right away during emergency situations.

Why It Matters

Registering Values at Risk helps wildfire managers make informed decisions when time and resources are limited. Knowing where important structures and assets are located allows response teams to plan more effectively and prioritize protection efforts during active wildfire situations. While registration does not guarantee that a structure can be protected during a wildfire, it increases the likelihood that key places and assets on the landscape are considered as part of wildfire planning and response.

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