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Financial Support for Farmers

Financial assistance will be available soon for Nova Scotia farmers and agri-food business owners affected by evacuation orders related to wildfires.

"Our Department responded promptly, with staff reaching out to help farmers experiencing challenges," said Greg Morrow, Minister of Agriculture. "These grants will help with some immediate financial needs. We'll continue to work with farmers as they assess damages and make recovery plans."

The program will provide a one-time grant of \$2,500 to registered farmers located in the mandatory evacuation zones in Halifax Regional Municipality and Shelburne County.

Details on the grants and how funds will be distributed will be posted soon to the Department's website. Inquiries can be emailed to the Department: prm@novascotia.ca. Registered farmers within the mandatory evacuation zones who experienced business stoppages related to the wildfires will be eligible for the Agriculture Wildfire Response Grant.

Governments Match Donations to Red Cross

The Province is providing further support to Nova Scotians affected by wildfires by matching every dollar donated to the Canadian Red Cross Nova Scotia and Atlantic Canada Fires Appeal. With the Government of Canada making the same commitment, every \$1 donated will become \$3.

"The recent wildfires have destroyed homes, displaced families and put many Nova Scotians in very difficult situations," said Premier Tim Houston. "While I can't imagine what they are facing, I can assure these families that their government is ready to support them in any way we can. I appreciate the Canadian Red Cross, the federal government and all donors for their help, too."

Funds will be used to assist those most impacted and support immediate and ongoing relief and recovery efforts in the province. People interested in donating to the Nova Scotia and Atlantic Canada Fires Appeal can do so at: <https://donate.red-cross.ca/page/129206/donate/1> or call 1-800-418-1111.

Canadian Coast Guard begins 2023 Arctic Season

The Canadian Coast Guard's (CCG) annual Arctic operational season is underway. In total, eight CCG icebreakers are scheduled to deploy from June into November to support northern communities and operational and program commitments.

June 14 - CCGS Vincent Massey departed Quebec City, QC, for icebreaking in Frobisher Bay and Hudson Strait.

June 17 - CCGS Pierre Radisson departed Québec City, QC, for icebreaking, opening and maintenance of the Killiniq weather and communication station, commissioning aids to navigation in the Hudson Strait, refueling the remote Eureka station, science, and Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS) surveys.

June 19 - CCGS Terry Fox departed St. John's, NL, for icebreaking and Operation Pacer Goose, the annual resupply of Pituffik Space Base (formerly US Thule Air Base) in Greenland.

July 5 - CCGS Sir Wilfrid Laurier departs Victoria, BC, for ice-breaking, aids to navigation maintenance in the Western Arctic, science, resupply, and CHS surveys.

July 8 - CCGS Amundsen departs Quebec City, QC, for science missions led by Amundsen Science.

July 27 - CCGS Henry Larsen departs St. John's, NL, for icebreaking and CHS surveys.

August 1 - CCGS Des Groseilliers departs Quebec City, QC, for icebreaking and CHS surveys.

August 3 - CCGS Louis S. St-Laurent departs St. John's, NL, for icebreaking, the Joint Ocean Ice Study scientific mission in Beaufort Sea, and the closing of the Killiniq weather and communication station.

CCG ships and their dedicated crews are ready to assist the shipping industry during the annual Arctic resupply missions. Safe and efficient navigation in Arctic waters is maintained throughout the shipping season by providing daily updates on ice conditions and operations, as well as ice escorts, when needed, to industry and partners.

Cosmetics animal testing / trade banned

Cosmetics animal testing and trade will officially be banned in Canada, after the Canadian government passed measures on June 22 through the Budget Implementation Act (Bill C-47). In addition to banning cosmetics animal testing, the amendments will also prohibit selling cosmetics that rely on new animal testing data to establish the product's safety, and false or misleading labelling pertaining to the testing of cosmetics on animals.

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Bearcats add 3 Players Prior to Draft

The Bearcat staff was busy before Thursday's MHL draft even began as they swung 2 trades in order to acquire a trio of sophomores for the upcoming season.

Firstly, Truro traded the MHL rights for QMJHL forward Felix Bedard to Edmundston in exchange for defensemen JP Boudreau and Tommy Hendrickson.

The Bearcats then proceeded to make a big deal flipping Hendrickson as well as defensive prospect Justin Smith and Truro's 2023 first round pick, a conditional 2024 8th round pick and future considerations to West Kent for forward Brandon Abbass, defenseman and 2022 5th overall pick Jake Beardmore and a 2024 6th round pick.

Boudreau, a defenseman from Lewisville, New Brunswick was originally a 2nd round pick of Campbellton in 2021 as well as an 11th round selection of the QMJHL's Quebec Remparts. He played his U18 hockey with the

coveted Moncton Flyers program where in the 2021-2022, he and the Flyers won the Telus Cup national U18 championship. Last season in his rookie year with Edmundston after his rights were traded from the Tigers, JP tallied 7 points in 48 regular season games and 3 points in 12 playoff games as the Blizzard advanced to the league final before falling to Yarmouth.

Beardmore, a defenseman from Cole Harbour, Nova Scotia was the 5th overall pick to South Shore in the 2022 MHL draft and stepped right into the Lumberjacks lineup. At 6'2 and 201lbs, Beardmore brought defensive stability to the young Lumberjacks team and gradually worked his way up the lineup as the year went on. Jake finished his rookie season as the 2nd highest scoring defenseman on South Shore, totaling 15 points in 50 regular season games. Beardmore is currently on the initial list to attend Halifax Mooseheads camp in August as a free agent invite.

Bearcats add 8 Players in 2023 Draft

The 2023 MHL draft took place this past Thursday on June 15th where the Bearcats ended with 6 draft picks to go along with their two territorial selections.

Truro originally had the 9th overall pick of the draft but elected to trade the pick to West Kent to acquire forward Brandon Abbass and defenseman Jake Beardmore.

The full draft list can be seen here:

Round 2, 21st overall- Nolan Stevens(Dartmouth Steele Subaru U18, Forward)

Territorial Pick 1- Logan Quinn(Weeks U18 Majors, Defense)

Round 4, 45th overall- Easton Schlender(Halifax MacDonalads U18, Forward)

Territorial Pick 2- Wyatt Countway(Dartmouth Steele Subaru U18, Defense)

Round 6, 69th overall- Ryan Dwyer(Charlottetown Knights U18, Forward)

Round 9, 105th overall- Tucker Makinen(Dartmouth Steele Subaru U18, Forward)

Round 10, 109th overall- Liam Boltz(Dartmouth Steele Subaru U18, Forward)

Round 10, 117th overall- Seth MacKenzie(Titans Hockey Union, Forward)

Welcome to the Truro Bearcats organization!

Abbass, a forward from Halifax, Nova Scotia was another first round pick of the Lumberjacks, 12th overall in the 2020 MHL draft. He stayed in U18 for the next 2 seasons notching 66 points in 60 regular season games with the Halifax MacDonalads program. He stepped into South Shores lineup last season as an imposing power forward

always willing to finish his checks. He had 12 points in 28 games with the Lumberjacks.

These 3 players can step right into the lineup to fill roles of some of our graduated players as we look to continue our success that last season brought.

Welcome Jake, Brandon and Jean-Phillip to the Truro Bearcat organization!

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