



# BUILDING INDUSTRY NEWSLETTER

## Wildfire development permit area - join us for a workshop!

The Municipality is developing a wildfire development permit area as part of its implementation of the recently adopted Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The development of a wildfire development permit area in North Cowichan will create a framework for more wildfire resilient development on private land in highest risk areas within the wildland urban interface (i.e., where development meets forests):

**This workshop is intended for representatives of the construction, development, and real estate industry. The workshop will aim to:**

- Inform attendees on the typical content and guidelines for wildfire development permit areas
- Present the areas likely to be included in the development permit area and the expected impacts on the development process (i.e., professional reports and inspection requirements)
- Discuss the opportunities and concerns for the development permit area guidelines

### Event details:

- Monday, October 25, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- This is an online workshop, using Zoom
- **Please register in advance:** [REGISTER HERE](#)

*A second workshop will be hosted in coming months to discuss the proposed guidelines.*

Full details on this project can be found at [www.northcowichan.ca/wildfire](http://www.northcowichan.ca/wildfire)

## New Building Department team member!

On November 1, North Cowichan will welcome a new front counter team member to the Building department, our Plan Checker. This new position will focus on receiving and guiding applicants with their building permit applications and confirming when applications are complete, providing more resources on application submissions while being a central contact person.

There will be no change to the current Building Permit application process. Applications will continue to be accepted both in the office and online.

**Questions?  
Send us an email!**

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