



# MEDIA STATEMENT

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*Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo* - The safety and well-being of our communities and workforce is the top priority for OSCA and our members.

Oil sands companies and OSCA have been working with Alberta Health Services, municipal and provincial governments to continuously build upon the measures in place to reduce COVID-19 risk and exposure. Keeping our workers and communities healthy and safe is our number one priority. Since the start of the pandemic, oil sands operators have had strict protocols in place and sites are limited to critical and essential staff only.

With the variant cases rising all over Alberta, additional measures have been implemented such as:

- Using rapid screening regularly and followed by AHS testing as required to ensure accurate results.
- From the start, there are stringent protocols for those who test positive so they are removed from the general workforce population right away.
  - For those staying in project accommodations, there are isolation camps for those who do test positive so they are removed from the general workforce population right away.

OSCA is working with the RMWB Administration to understand how we can further support the municipality with the state of local emergency, and waiting to see more details at the Council meeting tomorrow evening. The oil sands industry has been an essential service during this pandemic and will continue to play a pivotal role as we navigate this third wave of COVID-19 in the region, Alberta and Canada.

Additionally, work is underway with ATC and regional stakeholders to start a local community led social media campaign to manage the risk of COVID-19. I will send more details later this afternoon.

Should you have company specific questions, please contact the company directly.

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