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DNR Helicopter Crash Update

Long Lake Fire Remains Out Of Control

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USPA NEWS - We are learning that family has shared that the pilot who was flying when there was a helicopter crash at Long Lake, is long serving and experienced DNR pilot, Dave Farrell.

A statement issued by the Department of Natural Resources indicates that a shallow water crash occurred, and the pilot was rescued from the aircraft and taken for medical assessment. The pilot was conscious and speaking with firefighters who swiftly reached the aircraft. A social media post reads: "Our pilot is doing well, and we appreciate the overwhelming support from Nova Scotians. Our ground crews are doing well and continuing to fight the fire."

Nova Scotia Emergency Management released the following update at 13:03 on Sunday: The Long Lake wildfires' status remains unchanged from this morning's update. Four 802 air skimmers from the Northwest Territories are in operation, with support from two contracted helicopters, 57 DNR personnel, 5 firefighters from PEI, and 84 local firefighters. An additional 20 DNR firefighters and 20 firefighters from Ontario are en route. The next update is scheduled for this evening.

ANNAPOLIS COUNTY LONG LAKE WILDFIRE UPDATE-SUNDAY, 19:45 PM: The Long Lake fire has increased to approximately 1,977 hectares (~4,900 acres). 20:00: Electricity has been shut off in the area closest to the Long Lake/West Dalhousie Fire, causing a power outage that affects a portion of West Dalhousie Road, Heartland Road, and Thorne Road.

A power outage does not automatically indicate that your home is at risk or that evacuation is required. Please continue to follow the instructions provided by Annapolis REMO - Regional Emergency Management Organization.

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