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Long Lake Fire Wildfires Under Control

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USPA NEWS - The Department of Natural Resources indicated in a tweet , Saturday morning, "The Long Lake wildfire is now under control. It's a key milestone in any wildfire. Under control means the fire is responding well to suppression efforts. It is not expected to grow, but it is still not extinguished. Having reached this milestone, this is our last regular update."

The Province of Nova Scotia announced, Saturday morning, that the Long Lake wildfires complex is under control, marking a significant accomplishment in wildfire management. Controlled status signifies the fire's growth has been halted through effective suppression, but it remains unextinguished. With this milestone reached, regular updates will be discontinued, and any future developments will be communicated accordingly.

Infrared scanning will persist in identifying hot spots. Crews methodically traverse the active fire zone, utilizing sensory perception to detect smoke and manual assessment to evaluate ground heat. They undertake excavation and water application to extinguish the hot spots.

The estimated size is still 8,468 hectares. This is the current perimeter estimate, with multiple fires inside this active wildfire zone. This number won't change unless a more precise measurement is taken.

Firefighting crews usually persist in their efforts until a wildfire is completely extinguished. In the case of Long Lake, winter conditions may set in before the fire can be officially declared extinguished. If that occurs, the fire will not pose a threat during the winter months, and monitoring will continue until firefighting can recommence in the spring.

The Province of Nova Scotia extends it's deepest gratitude to DNR firefighters, the incident management team, and other staff, as well as local fire departments, crews from other provinces, the County of Annapolis, and all other agencies for their remarkable contribution to this extraordinary endeavor.

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