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News Release

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Giant's Head Mountain Park Closed to Vehicle Traffic Due to Fire Risk

Effective immediately, vehicle traffic is not allowed on Giant's Head Mountain Park Road due to the dry vegetation along the roadside. This closure is to protect public safety and to limit the risk of person-caused fires.

Wildfire conditions are currently rated at high but are predicted to move to extreme within the next day or two.

Mayor Peter Waterman advised, "We have moved to this closure of vehicular traffic in these extreme conditions as Giants Head Park is particularly vulnerable due to high use by residents and tourists alike. In addition, I would like to urge cigarette users to be extremely careful. It is common sense that this applies to all areas where there is a fire hazard."

Residents and tourists are welcome to walk or cycle up Giant's Head Mountain and enjoy the views.

For more information contact Glenn Noble, Fire Chief at 250-404-4092.