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Smoke may reduce visibility on Highway 11 west of Nordegg

Nordegg... Motorists may experience reduced visibility on Highway 11 west of Nordegg due to smoke from a prescribed fire.

Depending on weather, the controlled burn may begin May 29 and affects a 20-kilometre section of Highway 11 from Saskatchewan Crossing in Banff National Park to Whirlpool Point. The prescribed fire's purposes are to limit the spread of mountain pine beetles in the region, reduce the threat of a large-scale wildfire, and restore the ecological integrity of the forest.

The prescribed fire goes on throughout the summer, weather and conditions permitting. Call 1-866-916-INFO for up-to-date information about the prescribed fire while operations are underway.

Motorists should use caution in the area during the controlled burn.

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