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Air quality advisory lifted for regions of High Level, Fort McMurray, Cold Lake and Slave Lake

GRANDE PRAIRIE – Alberta Health Services (AHS) has lifted the air quality advisory issued August 6, 2013, for the northern areas of AHS' North Zone, including the High Level, Fort McMurray, Cold Lake and Slave Lake regions, as well as all First Nations communities in these areas.

Monitoring indicates air quality in these areas is no longer being impacted by forest fires in Northern Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

As air quality can always be influenced by weather and wind patterns, area residents are reminded that awareness of local air quality conditions is an important part of daily routines. Information about the air quality in monitored areas of the North Zone is updated hourly on the Alberta Environment Air Quality Website: www.airquality.alberta.ca. Air quality information is also available by phone, toll-free, at 1-877-247-7333.

Residents with health concerns can contact Health Link Alberta to speak to a registered nurse 24 hours a day, seven days a week, toll-free at 1-866-408-LINK (5465).

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