Wisconsin DNR
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Division of Forestry
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Wildland Fire Situation Report

Incident Name: Germann Road Fire

Location: Barnes, WI (Douglas County); Section 19; Township 44N; Range

10W

Size: 9,026 acres (est.); **Cause:** Unknown / Under Investigation

Containment: 95%; crews and equipment continue to make progress. The fire perimeter between Division F and I remain the most active area of the fire with interior burning and spot fires near the perimeter – aerial support from CL-415s is aiding in containment efforts. Blackhawk helicopters are providing water bucket drops on Division C securing the fire perimeter.

Structures: ~47 lost, 77 saved; evacuations in effect for the following communities: Loon Lake, Sand Lake, Murray Lake, Catherine Lake, Beauregard Lake, Ellison Lake, Potowotomi Estates, Rock Lake, Village of Barnes

Injuries / Fatalities: None reported

Weather

Discussion – a mainly dry and gusty day in store for the Northland with temperatures mainly in the 70's. Very deep mixing this afternoon will allow for dry air and gusty winds to reach the surface. Expect relative humidity values to quickly drop into the 20s across the region after the noon hour; lowest RH values will be found across the Minnesota Arrowhead and over Northern Wisconsin. As temperatures warm today, winds will become gusty 20-25 mph in most areas. Expect erratic winds with higher gusts possible late this afternoon with any showers that develop; however, only isolated sprinkles are expected and any rain will quickly evaporate before reaching the ground.

Today

Mostly sunny becoming partly cloudy with an isolated sprinkle. Max temperature range: 66-71; Minimum RH: 20-25% (inland); Winds: NW 11-16, gusts to 25 mph, erratic winds with higher gusts will be possible near any showers that develop; Precipitation: None

Tonight

Partly cloudy becoming mostly clear with isolated rain showers until 2100 hours. Minimum temperature range: 42-47; Max RH: 77-82%; Winds: W 5-10 mph decreasing to 5 mph after midnight; Precipitation: None.

Resources Committed

Incident Management Team: Northwest District Incident Management Team (NW-IMT) mobilized to manage the incident. Larry Glodoski is the Incident Commander (IC); Southern District IMT Command & General Staff are en route to the incident. Resource orders for additional overhead support positions continue to be submitted.

Ground Resources

Heavy Units: 10; 19 Local Volunteer Fire Department

assisting

Rangers: 8; 2 MI DNR resources (DIVS), 2 USFS IA Engines (1

DIVS)

Heavy Dozers: 2 Low Ground Units: 2

Aerial Resources:

2 CL-415 (Ontario)

2 Blackhawk Helicopter (WI Army National Guard)

Resources Available for IA

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	Equipment				
	Heavy Unit	IA Engines	Dozers	Low Ground	Other
Black River Falls	9	5			
Brule	9	7	1		
Cumberland	5	6			
Dodgeville	2	6			
Park Falls	5	6	1	1	
Peshtigo	9	13			
WI Rapids	12	13			
Woodruff	4	12			
Douglas County		1 (T8)	1		1 (6x6)

Burning Information

All burning permits and prescribed burning by DNR personnel have been canceled due to the large fire activity and elevated fire weather conditions in NE Wisconsin.