



**DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES**

**OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS**

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January 30, 2025

The Honorable Bernard Dean
Chief Clerk of the House
338B Legislative Building
Olympia, WA 98504

The Honorable Sarah Bannister
Secretary of the Senate
312 Legislative Building
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Chief Clerk Dean and Secretary Bannister:

Please accept the enclosed reports, submitted on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources (“Department”), as directed by the Legislature in the 2023-2025 Operating Budget (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5187). Section 310 (4) of the bill directs the Department to submit monthly updates of fire suppression costs incurred, and the number and type of wildfires suppressed, to the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature and the Office of Financial Management.

On a fiscal year-to-date basis, there have been 626 department fires statewide through the month of November. Total fire cost to the department for the month of November was \$7 million. Estimated costs for all funds in FY 2025 are \$221.3 million, putting us over the annual GF-S/Disaster appropriation by \$117.2 million and over all other appropriations by \$19.8 million (excluding Landowner Contingency).

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 360-584-6873 or Pat.Sullivan@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Pat Sullivan
Director of Governmental & External Affairs
Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands

Enclosure: Legislative Report - Monthly Fire Suppression Report (November 2024)

cc: Members of the Senate Ways & Means Committee
Members of the House Appropriations Committee

Members of the Senate Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee
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Members of the House Environment & Energy Committee
Members of the Senate Environment, Energy, & Technology Committee
Office of Financial Management

Department of Natural Resources
Emergency Fire Suppression Report for Fiscal Year 2025
Executive Summary for November 2025

This report summarizes Fiscal Year 2025 fire activity, actual expenditures compared to allotments.

DNR fires YTD through November

According to monthly Intel stats, there was a statewide total of 626 DNR Fires, year-to-date, through the month of November.

Fire Suppression Costs For the Month of November

Total fire cost, of all funds, to DNR in the month of November is \$7 million

Fire Suppression Cost for Fiscal Year through November

Total fire cost, of all funds, for months through November is \$163.8 million

Estimated total costs for FY 2025 compared to FY 2025 Allotments.

For all funds, estimated costs for FY 2025 are \$221.3 million. This puts us over our current appropriation of GF-S/Disaster allotment by \$117.2 million and over all other appropriations by \$19.8 million, excluding Landowner Contingency.

Fire name or Category	Jurisdictional Agencies	DNR COST AS OF NOV 2025 (FM17, FY25)				DNR TOTAL COST FOR FY2025						
		DNR General Fund State/ Disaster Fund Actuals	General Fund Federal Actuals	General Fund Local Actuals	Landowner Contingency Fund Actuals	CUMULATIVE ACTUALS	GFS/Disaster Fund ACTUALS + ESTIMATED COST	DNR General Fund State/ Disaster Fund FY TOTAL COST	General Fund Federal Estimate	General Fund Local Estimate	Landowner Contingency Fund Estimate	DNR TOTAL FY25 Estimated Cost (ALL FUNDS)
Type 2 Fires												
PIONEER 221-LDW	DNR/USFS/WSP	6,448,835				6,448,835	33,000,000	33,000,000				33,000,000
COUGAR CREEK 221-CAT	DNR/USFS	22,279,415				22,279,415	11,928,819	11,928,819				11,928,819
RETREAT 221-CBC, CPK (FMAG)	DNR/USFS/WSP	12,264,885				12,264,885	9,223,764	9,223,764				9,223,764
SWAWILLA 1 , 221 BSQ, BPK (FMAG)	DNR/BIA	5,901,711				5,901,711	8,474,982	8,474,982				8,474,982
BRIDGE CREEK 221-ABZ		460,316				460,316	462,030	462,030				462,030
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Total Type 2 Fires		47,355,162	-	-	-	47,355,162	63,089,595	63,089,595	-	-	-	63,089,595
Type 3 Fires												
DONKEY 222-EAX		2,417			1,384,952	1,387,369					1,437,191	1,437,191
DEARINGER 221-SGB		88,339				88,339	88,339	88,339				88,339
BALSAM ROOT 221-CAF	DNR/WSP	311,405				311,405	339,184	339,184				339,184
BLACK CANYON 221-CBB	DNR/WSP	1,502,484				1,502,484	1,545,034	1,545,034				1,545,034
GOLD CREEK 221-JNY	DNR/BLM/USFS	656				656	(515,475)	(515,475)				(515,475)
SOUTH COLUMBIA BASIN 221-ADC	DNR/WSP	1,349,357				1,349,357	1,129,165	1,129,165				1,129,165
UPPER CEMETARY 221-ADD	DNR/WSP	240,169				240,169	208,588	208,588				208,588
MULLEN 221-ADK		148,334				148,334	148,334	148,334				148,334
LOWER GRANITE 221-BTF	WSP	589,076				589,076	626,811	626,811				626,811
2620 ROAD 221-DBE	DNR/WSP	6,591,780				6,591,780					7,532,224	7,532,224
MIDDLE MOUNTAIN 221-BSF	COA	545,791				545,791			545,828			545,828
STRANGER CREEK II 221-BUA	COA	81,552				81,552			81,552			81,552
WICKED DRIVE 221-AFU		1,112,124				1,112,124	1,112,124	1,112,124				1,112,124
6 MILE 221-BTZ	COA	366,463				366,463			366,463			366,463
UPPER RUBY 221-BUE	DNR/USFS	1,080,244				1,080,244	526,213	526,213				526,213
STAYMAN 221-CCJ	DNR/BLM	616,272				616,272	476,539	476,539				476,539
WOLF FORK 221-CBO		1,917,601				1,917,601	2,387,601	2,387,601				2,387,601
SWAUK CREEK 221-CCV	DNR/USFS	4,880,446				4,880,446	2,519,779	2,519,779				2,519,779
HUCKLEBERRY RIDGE 221-ECJ		5,656,265				5,656,265	6,412,080	6,412,080				6,412,080
GOOSEMAS 221-AIY	DNR/BLM	2,699,750				2,699,750	2,535,451	2,535,451				2,535,451
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Total Type 3 Fires		29,780,525	-	-	1,384,952	31,165,477	19,539,766	19,539,766	993,843	-	8,969,415	29,503,024
Type 4 and 5 Fires												
Other Agency Incidents		11,271,452				11,271,452	14,500,000	14,500,000				14,500,000
Out of State Fire Dispatches		13,878,518				13,878,518	7,500,000	7,500,000	6,300,000			13,800,000
Aviation Assurance to Fire Districts- PI 221		14,762,679				14,762,679	680,000	680,000	25,000,000	1,500,000		27,180,000
		1,908,632				1,908,632	1,908,632	1,908,632				1,908,632
Total		41,821,281	-	-	-	41,821,281	24,588,632	24,588,632	31,300,000	1,500,000	-	57,388,632
Non-Code Cost												
Reacting to Fire Potential (i.e., False Alarms, standby/staging) PI223/285		944,841				944,841	2,650,000	2,650,000				2,650,000
Seasonal Firefighters and Engine Cost - PI 288		32,314,565				32,314,565	48,000,000	48,000,000				48,000,000
PI 224:		9,499,678				9,499,678	20,000,000	20,000,000				20,000,000
Attorney General projected expenditure		400,055				400,055	-	-	400,055			400,055
						-	230,000	230,000				230,000
Total		43,159,139	-	-	-	43,159,139	70,880,000	70,880,000	400,055	-	-	71,280,055
Total of Fire Costs by Fire Category and Account		162,116,106	-	-	1,384,952	163,501,059	178,097,993	178,097,993	32,693,898	1,500,000.00	8,969,415.22	221,261,307
Actuals and Estimates to Allotments		GFS (001/052) & Disaster (05H/FA0)	GFF (001/020)	GFL (001/500)	LOC* (030/960)	Total - All Funds	GFS (001/052) & Disaster (05H/3A0)	GFF (001/020)	GFL (001/500)	LOC* (030/960)	Total - All Funds	
FY25 General Fund State Allotment		60,883,000				60,883,000	60,883,000				60,883,000	
FY25 Disaster Fund Allotment												
FY25 Current Allotments TOTAL		60,883,000	13,822,500	545,000	2,388,000	77,638,500	60,883,000	13,822,500	545,000	2,388,000	77,638,500	
Projected Costs		162,116,106	-	-	1,384,952	163,501,059	178,097,993	32,693,898	1,500,000	8,969,415	221,261,307	
Variance		(101,233,106)	13,822,500.00	545,000	1,003,048	(85,862,559)	(117,214,993)	(18,871,398)	(955,000)	(6,581,415)	(143,622,807)	

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FY25 Supplemental Budget Request			
Fund	Initial Request (DP)	Nov. Request (for Gov's Budget)	Final Request
GFS (001/052) - For FY 2025	\$ 69,230,581	\$ 56,867,000	
Disaster (05H/3A0) - For FY 2025	\$ -	\$ -	
GFF (001/020) - For FY 2025	\$ 17,477,500	\$ 17,477,000	
GFL (001/500) - For FY 2025	\$ 955,000	\$ 955,000	
BSA-Estimate (14B/XXX)		\$ 72,442,000	
Totals:	\$ 87,663,081	\$ 147,741,000	

