



**DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES**

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December 22nd, 2021

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

The Honorable Brad Hendrickson
Secretary of the Senate
412 Legislative Building
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Chief Clerk Dean and Secretary Hendrickson:

Please accept the enclosed report, submitted on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources (“Department”), as directed by the Legislature in the 2021-2023 Operating Budget (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5092). Section 310 (8) 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.

There were 48 classified fires recorded in October 2021. Total fire cost to the department for the month of October was \$30.8 million. Estimated costs for FY 2022 are \$128.2 million as compared to the FY GF-S/Disaster allotment of \$28.7 million. This puts us over the current allotment of GF-S/Disaster & Supplemental by \$99.5 million.

Unfortunately, Washington experienced another long, hard fire season this year. The final numbers are still being tabulated, but more than 1,800 fires around the state – including a record-setting 226 wildfires on DNR jurisdiction during the month of April – burned more than 659,000 acres.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 360-764-0013 or Brian.Considine@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Brian Considine
Legislative Director
Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands

Enclosure: Legislative Report: Monthly Fire Suppression Report (October 2021)

cc:

Members of the Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks Committee

Members of the House Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee
Members of the House Appropriations Committee
Members of the House Capital Budget Committee
Members of the House Environment & Energy Committee
Members of the Senate Environment, Energy, & Technology Committee
Members of the Senate Ways & Means Committee
Office of Financial Management

Department of Natural Resources
Emergency Fire Suppression Report for Fiscal Year 2022
Executive Summary for October 2022

This report summarizes Fiscal Year 2022 fire activity, actual expenditures compared to allotments.

October

According to the EIRS Summary report, we show 48 classified fires for the month of October.

Fire Suppression Costs For the Month of October

Total fire cost to DNR in the month of October is \$30.8 million.

Fire Suppression Cost for Fiscal Year through October

Total fire cost for months through October is \$116.5 million.

Estimated total costs for FY 2022 compared to FY 2022 Allotments.

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Fire name or Category	Jurisdictional Agencies	County	First Attack Date (Wildcad Data)	Cause	DNR COST AS OF OCTOBER 2021 (FM04, FY22)					DNR TOTAL COST FOR FY2022						
					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	GFS/Disaster Fund OBLIGATED COST	DNR General Fund State/ Disaster Fund FY TOTAL COST	General Fund Federal Estimate	General Fund Local Estimate	Landowner Contingency Fund Estimate	DNR TOTAL FY22 Estimated Cost (ALL FUNDS)
Type 1 Fires																
CEDAR CREEK (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ WSP/ USFS				1,269,478					1,269,478	681,766		681,766		681,766	
DRY GULCH (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS				4,194,736					4,194,736	4,030,316		4,030,316		4,030,316	
LICK CREEK (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS				718,694					718,694	665,808		665,808		665,808	
GREEN RIDGE (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS				1,605,451					1,605,451	1,435,056		1,435,056		1,435,056	
RED APPLE (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS/BLM/WSP				2,673,092					2,673,092	2,057,195		2,057,195		2,057,195	
SCHNEIDER SPRINGS (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ USFS				5,365,825					5,365,825	6,983,963		6,983,963		6,983,963	
TWENTYFIVE MILE (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ USFS				3,124,405					3,124,405	6,605,409		6,605,409		6,605,409	
MUCKAMUCK (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS/BLM/WSP				746,699					746,699	2,834,134		2,834,134		2,834,134	
Type 2 Fires																
CHUWVAH CREEK (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ BIA				2,046,983					2,046,983	186,367		186,367		186,367	
CLUB CREEK 2 (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ WSP/ USFS				4,660,488					4,660,488	354,935		354,935		354,935	
SHERWOOD (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ BIA				2,124,256					2,124,256	-		-		-	
SUMMIT TRAIL (COSTSHARE)	DNR/BIA				4,732,934					4,732,934	5,120,287		5,120,287		5,120,287	
FORD CORKSCREW (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ WSP				4,338,914					4,338,914	5,787,912		5,787,912		5,787,912	
WHITMORE (COSTSHARE)	DNR/BIA				2,165,548					2,165,548	749,489		749,489		749,489	
CHICKADEE CREEK	DNR				5,452,073					5,452,073	7,224,051		7,224,051		7,224,051	
WALKER CREEK/ SPUR (COSTSHARE)	DNR/USFS/BLM				13,479,626					13,479,626	18,306,502		18,306,502		18,306,502	
Total Type 1 & 2 Fires					58,699,201	-	-	-	-	58,699,201	63,023,190	-	63,023,190	-	63,023,190	
Type 3 Fires																
ANDRUS (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ WSP				1,399,818					1,399,818	1,963,362		1,963,362		1,963,362	
GODDARD ROAD (COSTSHARE)	DNR/WSP				1,853,002					1,853,002	2,331,665		2,331,665		2,331,665	
NELSON CREEK	DNR				918,804					918,804	1,240,086		1,240,086		1,240,086	
DEEP LAKE	DNR				574,487					574,487	666,896		666,896		666,896	
HARDESTY VALLEY (COSTSHARE)	DNR/WSP				205,739					205,739	283,828		283,828		283,828	
HAZARDY HILL (COSTSHARE)	DNR/WSP				438,246					438,246	1,026,035		1,026,035		1,026,035	
NK'MIP	DNR				368,462					368,462	533,787		533,787		533,787	
SPRUCE CANYON (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ FWS				2,461,423					2,461,423	2,646,573		2,646,573		2,646,573	
LYLE HILL (COSTSHARE)	DNR/WSP				549,876					549,876	480,457		480,457		480,457	
MOE CANYON (COSTSHARE)	DNR/ USFS				1,229,724					1,229,724	975,320		975,320		975,320	
NINE MINE	DNR				1,068,728					1,068,728	1,507,531		1,507,531		1,507,531	
TYPE 3 UNDER \$100K	DNR				251,030					251,030	251,030		251,030		251,030	
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Total Type 3 Fires					11,319,339	-	-	-	-	11,319,339	13,906,570	-	13,906,570	-	13,906,570	
Type 4 and 5 Fires																
Other Agency Incidents					6,925,772			101,658		7,027,430	8,000,000		8,000,000		8,000,000	
Out of State Fire Dispatches					6,217,492			-		6,217,492	1,400,000		1,400,000	5,600,000	7,000,000	
Total					19,190,226	-	-	101,658	-	19,291,884	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	20,000,000	30,000,000	
Non-Code Cost																
Reacting to Fire Potential (i.e., False Alarms, standby/staging) PI223					767,749					767,749	2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000	
Seasonal Firefighters and Engine Cost - PI 288					20,391,775					20,391,775	5,000,000	20,000,000	25,000,000		25,000,000	
PI 224: Covid Response (PI224)					6,002,843					6,002,843	14,000,000		14,000,000		14,000,000	
Attorney General projected expenditure					50					50	-		-		-	
Total					27,162,417	-	-	-	-	27,162,417	7,000,000	34,230,000	41,230,000	-	41,230,000	
Total of Fire Costs by Fire Category and Account					116,371,184	-	-	101,658.01	-	116,472,842	93,929,760	34,230,000	128,159,760	20,000,000	-	148,159,760
Actuals and Estimates to Allotments					GFS (001/052) & Disaster (05H/3A0)	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		
FY22 General Fund State Allotment					20,668,000					20,668,000						
FY22 Disaster Fund Allotment					8,025,000					8,025,000						
FY22 Current Allotments TOTAL					28,693,000	10,359,500	417,000	688,000	40,157,500	28,693,000	10,359,500	417,000	688,000	40,157,500		
Projected Costs					116,371,184	-	-	101,658	116,472,842	128,159,760	20,000,000	-	-	148,159,760		
Variance					(87,678,184)	10,359,500	417,000	586,342	(76,315,342)	(99,466,760)	(9,640,500)	417,000	688,000	(108,002,260)		

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Date:

Monthly Fire Suppression Report Fiscal Year History

Table with columns: Type 4 & 5 from Previous Yr, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: Other Agencies, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: Unbudgeted - FY21, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun

Table with columns: H 223 - Heading to Fire Potential, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: Non-coded 221, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: H 288 Seasonal Cost, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: Out Of State Fees (OPN/OPR), Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: 222 - LOC, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: 221-INC (Administrative Costs) **Non active until Feb 2021 **Discontinued end of FY21, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: 285 last biennium actuals, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate

Table with columns: 218 Seasonal* Post Expenditures, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, FY YTD to Present month, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual, FY YTD to Present (OCY) Actual NOV-JUN (basic calendar year), Avg Estimate