



**DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES**
**OFFICE OF THE
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June 24, 2024

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 799 department fires statewide through the month of April. Total fire cost to the department for the month of April was \$4.4 million. Estimated costs for all funds in FY 2024 are \$150.2 million. This puts us under the current GF-S/Disaster appropriation by \$17.9 thousand and under our Budget Stabilization Account appropriation in SSB 6100 by \$249 thousand. Our current projected variance on all other appropriations is \$0, excluding Landowner Contingency.

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 (April 2024)

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

Members of the Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks Committee
Members of the House Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee
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 2024
Executive Summary for April 2024

This report summarizes Fiscal Year 2024 fire activity, actual expenditures compared to allotments.

DNR fires FYTD through April

According to monthly Intel stats, there was a statewide total of 799 DNR Fires, year-to-date, through the month of April.

Fire Suppression Costs For the Month of April

Total fire cost, of all funds, to DNR in the month of April is \$4.4 million.

Fire Suppression Cost for Fiscal Year through April

Total fire cost, of all funds, for months through April is \$134.2 Million

Estimated total costs for FY 2024 compared to FY 2024 Allotments.

For all funds, estimated costs for FY 2024 are \$150.2 Million. This puts us under our current appropriation of GF-S/Disaster by \$17.9 thousand, and under our current appropriation for BSA by \$249 Thousand. Our current projected variance on all other appropriations is \$0*.

**Excluding LOC*

Fire name or Category	DNR COST AS OF APRIL 2024 (FM10, FY24)						DNR TOTAL COST FOR FY2024						
	DNR General Fund State/ Disaster Fund Actuals	Budget Stabilization Account	General Fund Federal Actuals	General Fund Local Actuals	Landowner Contingency Fund Actuals	CUMULATIVE ACTUALS	GFS/Disaster Fund ACTUALS + ESTIMATED COST	Budget Stabilization Account	DNR General Fund State/ Disaster Fund/BSA FY TOTAL COST	General Fund Federal Estimate	General Fund Local Estimate	Landowner Contingency Fund Estimate	DNR TOTAL FY24 Estimated Cost (ALL FUNDS)
Type 2 Fires													
EAGLE BLUFF	7,125,738					7,125,738	6,590,294		6,590,294				6,590,294
TUNNEL FIVE (COST SHARE)	5,247,919					5,247,919	4,754,474		4,754,474				4,754,474
NEWELL ROAD (COST SHARE)	5,555,364					5,555,364	5,575,608		5,575,608				5,575,608
GRAY (COST SHARE)	7,407,209					7,407,209	78,892	4,002,793	4,010,685				4,081,685
OREGON (COST SHARE)	9,318,378					9,318,378	653,024	9,009,480	9,662,504				9,662,504
	0					-			0				-
Total Type 2 Fires	34,654,609					34,654,609	17,652,293	13,012,273	30,593,567				30,664,566
Type 3 Fires													
MCEWAN (COST SHARE)	1,965,255					1,965,255	1,949,827		1,949,827				1,949,827
MORAN CREEK (COST SHARE) - PI 222 (LOC)	334				312,244	312,578	0		0		312,578		312,578
SILVER STAR	55,318					55,318	55,318		55,318				55,318
WEST HALLETT	1,135,022					1,135,022	782,864		782,864				782,864
ROZA CREEK (COST SHARE)	166,741					166,741	183,717		183,717				183,717
LAKE WHATCOM	873,079					873,079		1,042,659	0				1,042,659
CRATER CREEK (COST SHARE)	1,967,375					1,967,375	2,430,894		2,430,894				2,430,894
HARMONY	369,839					369,839	0	369,839	369,839				369,839
CHANDLER	2,396,938					2,396,938	0	2,403,289	2,403,289				2,403,289
MARGARITA	812,633					812,633	812,633		812,633				812,633
WEST ANDERSON	345,733					345,733	422,951		422,951				422,951
Total Type 3 Fires	10,088,267				312,244	10,400,511	6,638,205	3,815,787	9,411,333			312,578	10,766,569
Type 4 and 5 Fires													
Other Agency Incidents	12,388,057				201,405	12,589,462	10,933,654	4,066,346	15,000,000				15,000,000
Out of State Fire Dispatches	6,737,289		943,479			7,680,767	3,700,000		3,700,000	6,300,000			10,000,000
	22,928,473					22,928,473	920,000		920,000	18,980,000	3,100,000		23,000,000
Total	42,053,818		943,479		201,405	43,198,702	15,553,654	4,066,346	19,620,000	25,280,000	3,100,000		48,000,000
Non-Code Cost & IAQ Covid Inc.													
Reacting to Fire Potential (i.e., False Alarms, standby/staging) PI223/285	1,860,347					1,860,347	2,650,000		2,650,000				2,650,000
Seasonal Firefighters and Engine Cost - PI 288	32,416,525					32,416,525	41,000,000		41,000,000				41,000,000
PI 224	11,246,966					11,246,966	16,900,000		16,900,000				16,900,000
Attorney General projected expenditure	(47)					(47)							
Total	45,523,790					45,523,790	60,780,000		60,780,000				60,780,000
Total of Fire Costs by Fire Category and Account	132,320,484		943,478.63		513,649	133,777,612	100,624,152	20,894,406	120,404,900	25,280,000	3,100,000.00	312,577.99	150,211,136
Actuals and Estimates to Allotments													
	GFS (001/051) & Disaster (OSH/FAO)	BSA	GFF (001/020)	GFL (001/500)	LOC* (030/960)	Total - All Funds	GFS (001/052) & Disaster (OSH/3AO)	BSA	GFF (001/020)	GFL (001/500)	LOC* (030/960)	Total - All Funds	
FY24 General Fund State Allotment	60,883,000					60,883,000	60,883,000					60,883,000	
FY24 Disaster Fund Allotment	12,025,000					12,025,000	12,025,000					12,025,000	
FY24 Current Allotments TOTAL	72,908,000					72,908,000	72,908,000					72,908,000	
Projected Costs	132,320,484		13,822,500	545,000	2,388,000	89,663,500	100,624,152	20,894,406	13,822,500	545,000	2,388,000	89,663,500	
FY24 Supplemental Budget	27,734,000	21,143,000	11,457,500	2,555,000	62,889,500	107,775,500	27,734,000	21,143,000	11,457,500	2,555,000	312,578	150,211,136	
Variance	(31,678,484)	21,143,000	24,336,521	3,100,000	1,874,351	18,775,388	17,848	248,594	0	0	2,075,422	2,341,864	
TOTAL FY24 VARIANCE													

plus covid inc

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FY24 Supplemental Budget Request

Fund	Initial Request (DP)	Nov. Request (for Gov's Budget)	Final Request	Supplemental Amount Alloted	Current Variance Projections
GFS (001/051) - For FY 2024	\$ 2,284,116	\$ 44,218,949	\$ 27,733,924	\$ 27,734,000	\$ 17,848
BSA - For FY 2024			\$ 21,142,984	\$ 21,143,000	\$ 248,594
Disaster (05H/3A0) - For FY 2024	\$ -			\$ -	
GFF (001/020) - For FY 2024	\$ 8,577,500	\$ 8,797,500	\$ 11,457,500	\$ 11,457,500	\$ -
GFL (001/500) - For FY 2024	\$ 2,655,000	\$ 2,555,000	\$ 2,555,000	\$ 2,555,000	\$ -
Totals:	\$ 13,516,616	\$ 55,571,449	\$ 62,889,408	\$ 62,889,500	\$ 266,442

Monthly Fire Suppression Report Fiscal Year Trends

Type 4 & 5 Incidents

Historical Averages												Historical Average Totals		Previous 12 Months			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun					
Prior FY Actuals	729,073	2,002,693	2,183,190	1,675,256	893,174	111,434	55,424	5,301	54,765	141,069	312,285	2,042,786	10,134,460	14,097,308			
3 Year Average	1,396,038	1,790,627	1,430,991	1,307,530	375,502	80,559	39,002	39,507	47,465	311,169	302,201	1,255,304	9,946,796	15,000,000			
5 Year Average	1,420,667	1,099,486	1,656,495	914,024	305,774	153,481	110,429	(23,684)	(971,658)	94,118	(179,459)	648,052	5,828,485	6,300,000			
10 Year Average	1,189,359	1,360,410	1,442,992	856,609	243,895	122,942	200,218	171,111	(154,329)	85,079	(314,100)	537,240	5,740,924				
Trend Line Based on Current Estimate												Trend Totals		FY Total		FY Running Total	
Cur. Fy v. Mo. Est.	506,653	(263,548)	(209,446)	355,115	110,615	(105,170)	(121,363)	38,264	55,374	(136,565)	73,637	1,432,324	634,220				
Cur. Est. by Mo.	3,375,645	3,436,185	1,749,001	1,840,458	210,405	38,434	43,174	107,226	57,388	62,580	23,637	1,432,324	12,376,457				
% by Mo. of FY22	22.50%	22.91%	11.66%	12.27%	1.40%	0.26%	0.29%	0.71%	0.38%	0.10%	0.16%	9.55%	82.51%				
Historical Actuals												FY Total		FY Running Total			
FY24	2,869,392	3,699,723	1,958,447	1,485,338	1,092,564	167,312	68,462	2,014	399,145	-	-	-	10,134,460	14,097,308			
FY23	729,073	2,002,693	2,183,190	1,675,256	821,174	111,434	55,434	5,301	54,765	141,069	312,285	2,042,786	9,946,796	15,000,000			
FY22	2,280,689	2,321,592	1,181,679	1,243,470	142,156	25,967	29,170	72,465	38,773	42,281	15,970	967,722	8,361,914	7,878,222			
FY21	580,332	1,047,596	866,104	403,865	183,177	104,277	42,402	11,344	48,857	750,129	576,347	755,405	5,348,835	4,010,083			
FY20	1,008,608	1,218,807	679,484	127,417	58,042	137,415	69,540	68,170	69,540	48,518	21,948	784,460	6,841,611	4,059,468			
FY19	2,504,274	(1,093,320)	3,371,018	1,059,711	344,319	388,313	(194,030)	(2,049,201)	(484,835)	(2,543,558)	(1,209,960)	(184,024)	3,569,500	6,571,547			
FY18	1,585,611	1,841,108	1,444,724	952,011	409,401	318,506	(66,423)	(21,753)	101,196	7,166	(4,258,197)	2,221,618	4,534,988	6,009,678			
FY17	721,433	1,241,516	874,495	394,119	112,476	39,793	2,574,428	657	20,220	23,631	(20,576)	(1,483,633)	4,490,467	6,009,678			
FY16	698,594	2,778,656	1,505,308	1,526,535	293,516	76,135	53,701	1,592,497	(114,117)	182,028	1,596,659	433,277	10,822,760	8,592,833			
FY15	995,843	1,463,403	1,792,200	1,066,123	90,673	26,396	(1,112,129)	252,220	279,307	100,809	375,000	420,966	5,750,809	4,954,843			
FY14	790,770	781,587	528,721	57,179	4,016	1,181	453	6,000	23,413	66,560	67,610	339,895	2,467,785	2,260,280			
FY13	728,645	973,329	893,700	296,093	126,093	13,766	6,966	9,703	112,794	222,145	200,607	-	3,462,140	3,398,338			

Description of activity: Cost associated with fire suppression on Type 4 & 5 incidents that WADNR is the jurisdictional agency on.

Historical Averages												Historical Average Totals		Previous 12 Months			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun					
Prior FY Actuals	142,876	582,581	2,812,248	1,780,860	804,318	206,119	412,358	49,435	515,592	40,181	(433,709)	2,006,541	6,919,400	9,245,626			
3 Year Average	550,564	1,108,883	2,151,702	1,113,107	518,181	157,329	164,931	24,165	184,189	39,707	311,643	(52,908)	6,271,493	3,700,000			
5 Year Average	624,140	1,557,714	1,685,391	919,105	422,082	129,406	104,116	(37,306)	117,467	45,917	198,939	235,094	6,000,665	6,300,000			
10 Year Average	471,759	1,151,608	1,244,471	622,889	278,064	102,819	66,700	(14,819)	64,421	31,063	110,046	62,241	5,282,711				
Trend Line Based on Current Estimate												Trend Totals		FY Total		FY Running Total	
Cur. Fy v. Mo. Est.	780,292	(466,013)	462,375	140,052	(1,261,533)	(562,801)	(101,649)	(55,939)	14,886	(18,417)	1,476,869	(2,881,998)	5,199,418				
Cur. Est. by Mo.	1,346,088	1,376,781	2,446,407	1,072,151	234,683	52,751	29,709	2,752	16,039	27,546	1,476,869	(2,881,998)	5,199,418				
% by Mo. of FY22	13.46%	13.77%	24.46%	10.72%	23.68%	2.75%	0.30%	0.09%	0.16%	0.20%	14.77%	-38.24%	100.00%				
Historical Actuals												FY Total		FY Running Total			
FY24	565,796	1,842,794	1,983,672	932,200	1,496,216	615,052	131,358	58,690	1,153	45,963	-	-	6,919,400	7,346,567			
FY23	142,876	582,581	2,812,248	1,780,860	804,318	206,119	412,358	49,435	515,592	40,181	(433,709)	2,006,541	6,919,400	7,346,567			
FY22	1,205,030	1,238,006	2,123,727	976,295	299,123	25,498	2,614	14,356	24,569	1,127	1,127	12,702,200	10,252,284	5,890,860			
FY21	308,186	3,516,063	1,461,131	602,156	540,900	218,817	55,937	20,605	22,668	54,372	1,361	405,305	5,257,512	4,800,846			
FY20	676,821	1,000,957	248,136	166,581	(10,742)	59,936	(72,357)	23,318	7,319	43,262	49,269	141,707	2,334,726	2,143,740			
FY19	792,386	3,400,962	1,223,735	1,089,624	566,109	115,108	98,145	(282,369)	27,452	67,202	10,494	1,195,487	8,864,120	7,688,140			
FY18	609,086	2,001,978	3,400,966	1,129,009	528,974	1,020,898	126,241	34,601	50,996	79,479	69,529	1,641,443	10,230,211	5,139,339			
FY17	259,800	1,073,720	518,447	258,313	40,507	12,586	182	3,227	(748)	(1,518)	(1,708,919)	457,344	2,167,781	2,167,781			
FY16	268,590	122,735	43,294	44,890	-	407	-	-	375	3,726	15,528	30,077	529,981	484,377			
FY15	186,187	90,557	14,258	703	822	529	183	-	4,280	4,248	40,000	72,981	394,248	281,267			
FY14	292,914	438,524	33,710	134,189	332	394	-	-	943	2,230	9,361	914,997	914,997	900,406			
FY13	146,231	548,326	110,002	498,226	248	49	-	-	593	7,620	9,246	26,590	1,347,131	1,311,295			

Description of activity: Cost associated with incidents within Washington that WADNR does not have jurisdiction on, and WADNR has provided resources to the federal government, other state agencies, and local fire districts through our agreements with them.

Historical Averages												Historical Average Totals		Previous 12 Months			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun					
Prior FY Actuals	1,256,279	6,900,352	7,887,686	7,998,858	1,628,528	563,886	268,826	357,592	223,868	60,847	471,122	7,442,513	35,060,456	40,330,160			
3 Year Average	1,892,795	4,357,375	5,709,275	6,161,991	1,240,405	441,823	254,997	152,043	87,096	167,503	300,993	5,517,515	26,213,724	30,000,000			
5 Year Average	2,005,529	4,223,073	4,654,421	4,383,301	1,022,151	326,265	172,871	102,625	60,214	129,275	256,648	2,959,175	22,591,648	25,000,000			
10 Year Average	1,517,864	3,077,780	3,061,678	2,659,947	703,828	270,428	100,321	113,165	87,399	106,862	426,692	3,249,211	15,489,340				
Trend Line Based on Current Estimate												Trend Totals		FY Total		FY Running Total	
Cur. Fy v. Mo. Est.	1,377,593	144,549	(1,219,027)	4,197,850	(7,409,590)	(2,549,267)	(160,862)	(69,256)	(250,773)	83,591	199,203	8,741,010	8,089,000				
Cur. Est. by Mo.	3,421,066	4,375,394	6,751,601	8,208,127	1,731,073	244,943	507,287	77,819	36,141	56,306	245,669	3,127,228	35,060,456	40,330,160			
% by Mo. of FY22	8.34%	10.67%	-16.47%	22.68%	-4.22%	-0.55%	-1.24%	0.19%	0.06%	0.36%	0.49%	21.32%	86.59%				
Historical Actuals												FY Total		FY Running Total			
FY24	2,043,493	4,230,846	7,979,628	5,300,387	9,140,669	2,774,210	668,149	147,076	276,915	64,153	-	-	35,060,456	32,416,525			
FY23	1,256,279	6,900,352	7,887,686	7,998,858	1,628,528	563,886	268,826	357,592	223,868	60,847	471,122	7,442,513	35,060,456	40,330,160			
FY22	2,925,484	3,741,544	5,773,517	7,951,230	1,480,302	192,356	433,798	66,546	22,355	126,341	170,345	2,474,727	30,358,544	22,713,473			
FY21	1,226,622	2,430,231	3,466,623	2,515,886	672,386	569,128	62,369	31,992	14,796	315,322	261,512	1,635,304	13,222,170	11,325,353			
FY20	1,958,699	3,854,305	2,821,919	623,640	221,631	940,515	29,500	39,769	26,112	140,912	273,905	2,295,309	10,025,284	10,025,284			
FY19	3,100,961	4,388,935	3,320,366	2,807,800	1,109,486	807,824	73,943	25,206	160,740	141,049	1,090,160	4,375,609	21,021,249	15,856,519			
FY18	1,668,645	2,634,553	2,808,274	1,950,121	987,128	607,974	55,084	67,434	117,386	184,060	312,153	3,220,734	14,593,918	11,060,299			
FY17	945,187	2,627,300	1,656,831	901,049	308,427	33,541	27,838	10,638	12,385	25,125	143,136	2,277,503	8,968,959	6,548,321			
FY16	1,022,263	3,030,865	1,733,512	1,190,244	1,192,444	1,192,444											