

Munger Shaw Fire Update

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 Minnesota Incident Mgt. Team A Incident Commander: Mike Hill Fire Information: 218-322-2739 InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mnmns-mungershaw-fire Email: 2025.mungershaw@firnet.gov

Munger Shaw Fire Quick FactsSize: 1700 acresLocation: Elora, MNContainment: 0%Cause: Under investigationStart Date: 05/12/2025

NOTE: Minnesota Incident Management Team A under Incident Commander Mike Hill took command of the Munger Shaw fire at noon today.

Overview - The Munger Shaw fire was detected late in the afternoon on Monday May 12. Minnesota DNR along with local fire departments responded. Multiple aircraft were brought in to help slow down the active flame fronts, supporting the ground firefighting efforts. The fire is active in pine and lowland fuels. St. Louis County Sheriff's Office and Emergency Management are coordinating public safety efforts, including evacuations and road closures. Firefighters continue working to establish fire containment lines around the fire with heavy equipment and on-the-ground personnel. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

National Weather Service Forecast: The National Weather Service has lifted the Red Flag Warning for Minnesota, but any outdoor burning is still discouraged. The forecast for the fire area today calls for a high of 81F with a chance of showers between noon and 4 p.m. this afternoon and possible thunderstorms after 4:00 p.m. Relative humidity is at 69% and fluctuating.

Evacuations and Road Closures: St. Louis County Sheriff's Office Divisions of Emergency Management and 911 have a website hub with evacuation and other fire information and Ready-Set-Go map. St. Louis County is coordinating and enforcing road closures near the Munger-Shaw fire.

The public is asked to avoid the areas around the fire for their safety and the safety of fire personnel. Temporary flight restrictions are in place. No drones are allowed near any of the fire areas.

Burning Restrictions: For current burning restrictions, see https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html