



Minnesota Incident Priorities

Approved by MNICS MAC

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Preparedness Levels

Minnesota = 4	Eastern Area = 3	National = 5
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Strategic Intent:

- Continue to support initial attack and emerging incidents.
- Maintain staffing on fires to meet incident objectives.
- Maximize resource allocation opportunities to meet the needs of multiple incidents.

Incident Priorities:

Priority	Incident Name	Unit	Team	Rationale: Protection of life, property and resources
1	Initial Attack & Emerging Incidents	-	-	Across fires, numerous evacuation reductions of category and scale over the last 24-48 hrs, many evacuation orders remain. Planned TOC from SA1 to EA1 7/31 0600.
2	Camp	SUF	CIMT SA1	Complex terrain and logistics. Difficult access. Evacuations and repopulation in effect. BWCA closures. Significant economic impacts. Limit spread toward Winton and Ely.
3	Bear Trap	SUF	CIMT SA1	Most evacuations lifted. Currently about 35 residents evacuated. Complex terrain and logistics. Difficult access. Evacuations in effect. BWCA closures. Int'l coordination. Obj: Slow progression toward Echo Tr., protect structures in Big Lake and surrounding properties.
4	Sioux	SUF	CIMT SA1	Dispersed structures and communications infrastructure. Difficult access. Evacuations and repopulation in effect. BWCA closures. Securing S. perimeter slopover. Keep fire N of Echo Tr.
5	Chub	SUF	CIMT SA1	Reduced Evacuations. No growth on all fires. Long Lake Fire incorporated into Chub reporting totals. Chub is 95% contained. Long Lake still uncontained. All others are 100%. Continue to secure, mop-up and patrol. Chub, 344.6 ac, + others combined total 424 ac.
6	Little Knife	SUF	NIMO Team 1	Int'l coordination. Complex terrain and logistics. Evacuations no longer occurring (future evac. potential remains), BWCA closures remain. Developing long-term strategy. Obj: protect dispersed historic structures and wilderness values. Line resources arriving.
7	Thumb	SUF	CIMT SA1	Evacuations in effect. Int'l coordination. Complex terrain and logistics. BWCA closures. Spread in Canada past 5-mi reciprocal response likely, closely monitored. Crew completing work on N. flank to secure Canada spread.

* Current July Lightning Incident evacuation information available on [InciWeb](#).