



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.
2	Camp	SUF	CIMT EA1	Complex terrain and logistics. Difficult access. BWCA closures. Significant economic impacts. Limit spread toward Winton and Ely. The July Lightning Incident exhibited minimal fire behavior today following another of moderate humidity and recovering from past rain.
3	Bear Trap	SUF	CIMT EA1	Most evacuations lifted. Currently about 5 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. Rain with lightning occurred over the fire area last night.
4	Sioux	SUF	CIMT EA1	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 EA1	Reduced Evacuations. No growth on all fires. Long Lake Fire incorporated into Chub reporting totals. Chub is 95% contained. Long Lake 57% contained. 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. Fire behavior is expected to remain minimal. Some isolated pockets of heat persist and will continue to consume available fuels. Back haul and crew removal from the BWCA continues
7	Thumb	SUF	CIMT EA1	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](#).