

“Before Europeans settled Cook County, early explorers documented the presence of fire sweeping the state from both natural and human causes. The vegetation found here at that time developed from, was adapted to, and depended on a fire regime. As Cook County became more developed, fire was increasingly suppressed to protect property and human life. People also thought fire damaged natural resources, a fear that persisted into the middle of the 20th century.

Only in the past 40 years has fire again become consistently applied to fire-dependent habitats in northeastern Illinois. Prescribed fire is currently an accepted, standard natural resource management tool nationwide. Fire management increases plant diversity, benefits many wildlife species, reduces invasive species and creates aesthetically desired landscapes for preserve users. Still, misunderstandings about the vital role of fire, a shortage of trained personnel to conduct prescribed burns, questions about appropriate fire frequency and seasonal timing, regulations impeding use of fire in urban areas, and the need for more research into proper fire management of some natural communities persist.

The Forest Preserves staff has shown an increased use of this economically viable management tool within the past decade. Currently the Forest Preserves retains five fire crews and supplements that with six to ten contract crews. Examples of preserves where fire management is currently being used successfully include the Spring Lake Nature Preserve, Busse Forest (Ned Brown Preserve) Schiller Woods, Somme Preserves, Shoe Factory Road Nature Preserves and Carl Hansen Woods, McGinnis Slough, Harms Woods, Spears and Willow Springs Woods, Sand Ridge Nature Preserve, Burnham Prairie, and Powderhorn Prairie Nature Preserve to name a few. Still, there is ample need for more application of burning throughout the preserves, and the FPCC is committed to delivering more – and more effective burns.”

*Forest Preserves of Cook County
Natural & Cultural Resources Master Plan,
Managing our ecosystems and heritage
for the next century, Prairie Research
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Fire Management increases plant diversity & benefits wildlife

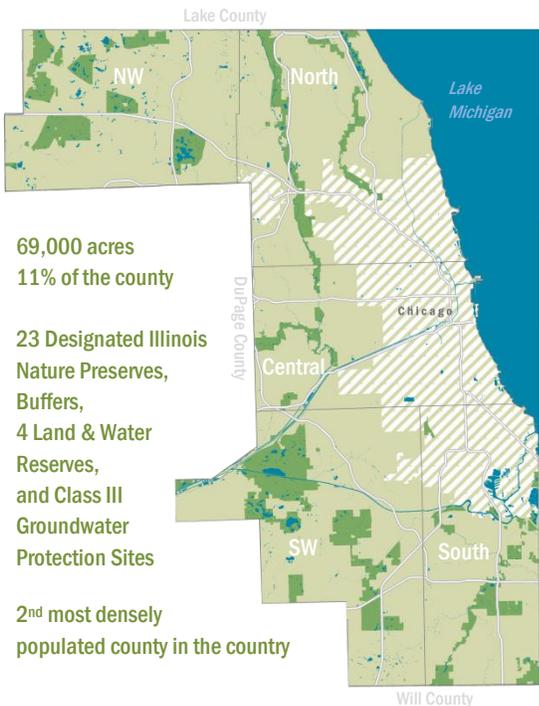




Poplar Creek Pond

2017 Fall - 2018 Spring Burn Stats: 11,331 Acres | 356 Units | 27 Burn Days | 11 Crews

Forest Preserves of Cook County



The cumulative Fall/Spring season provided excellent weather conditions and we managed to get a lot done. Every burn our staff, contractors and volunteers participate in affords additional improvement. Experience gained over the several seasons shows and allows us to do more in the short window we have to work with. As mentioned previously, not all the burning we do is “good” burning. We have a day, or a site, that just doesn’t go the way we thought it would. However, this is definitely the small minority, reviewing both spring and fall – wow, we kicked butt! Note – for total acres and units – this is not just a numbers game, keep in mind some smaller units take longer than larger ones.

Our overall total for the 17/18 burn season is 11,331 acres over 27 burn days!

A hearty thank you to all of our staff, contractors, and volunteers, for their contributions and efforts. Keep up the good work! We also had a great time with our UW Stevens-Point Alternative Spring Break program interns, they had several productive burn days and earned their keep.

John McCabe, Director of Resource Management

| OVERVIEW

The fall season typically starts on or around November 1, although the 2017 season began Nov. 25th, and 2016 Nov. 12th.

2017 Fall in a nut shell: Much was accomplished before the wind and cold set in concluding the season. Several days of better than marginal conditions produced a new record amount of prescribed fire acreage.

2017 | 5,462 Acres | Days: 10 | Units: 145 | Avg Acres: 38

RM Crews

Total: 3,110
 Units: 79
 Min-Max Acres: 0-389 acres
 Largest Unit: Cap Sauers Holdings NP
 Avg: 39 acres

Contract Crews

Total: 2,351
 Units: 66
 Min-Max Acres: .5-165 acres
 Largest Unit: Deer Grove West NP
 Avg: 36 acres

Chicago Botanic Garden prescribed burns also included if provided.
 Units: Same site/same day units may be included together or separate.

The spring season typically starts mid to late March, the 14th through the 21st. Spring is usually more productive and busier due to longer days, and better trending weather conditions.

2018 Spring wrap-up: Most days began with a full docket of sites we were able to knock out our first tier priorities and move on to expand our prescribed fire effort to several new sites/units waiting in the wings, including Forest Glen & Red Gate.

2018 | 5,869 Acres | Days: 17 | Units: 211 | Avg Acres: 28

RM Crews

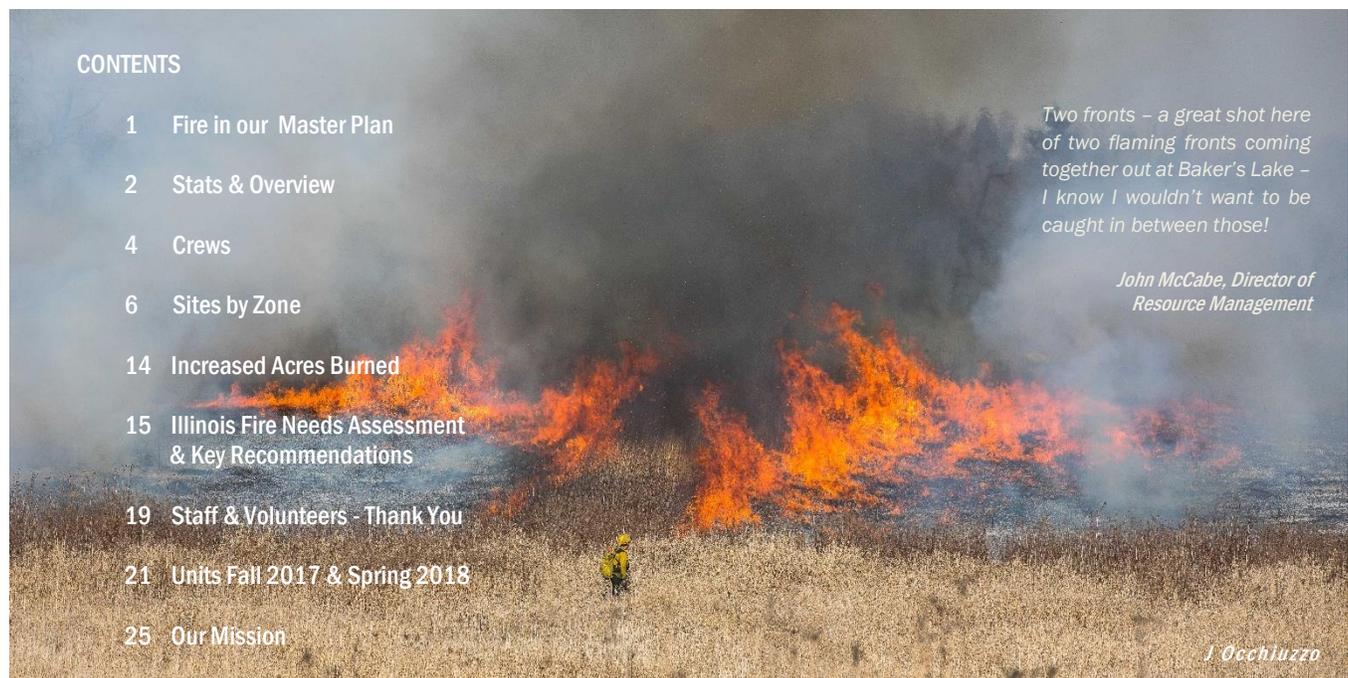
Total: 4,025
 Units: 152
 Min-Max Acres: 0-503 acres
 Largest Unit: Orland Grassland LWR
 Avg: 26 acres

Contract Crews

Total: 1,843 acres
 Units: 59
 Min-Max Acres: 1-212
 Largest Unit: Red Gate Woods
 Avg: 31 acres

5 days – only one partner crew burned.

Units: Same site/same day units may be included together or separate.



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Two fronts – a great shot here of two flaming fronts coming together out at Baker's Lake – I know I wouldn't want to be caught in between those!

John McCabe, Director of Resource Management

J Occhiaro

CREWS



Northwest Crew & University of Wisconsin Stevens Point Students, 2018



Skokie Crew, 2018



Partial Palos Crew, A Trello, 2018



Tinley Crew, 2018

RM Crews

We aim to deliver fire to our critical sites at the proper return interval. Our daily selection of priorities and matching conditions has been mostly successful, and our crews excel in the important task of bringing fire to the preserves each season. They are prepared, quick to respond, and immediately ready for dispatch each day, first thing in the morning. They operate with more flexible hours to make the most of the limited burn days available each season.

Some of our logistical burn limitations include the large size and population density of the county. With seemingly endless excesses of continuous traffic. The amount of time it takes to move through the urban expanse in order to reach all our priority sites during burn season is greatly increased. The FPCC has 5 crews for the entire county:

- Northwest Crew – Northwest
- Skokie Crew – North (NE)
- Salt Creek Crew – Central
- Palos Crew – Southwest
- Tinley Crew – Southwest & South (SE)

These crews focus loosely within their zones, which carve up the county for best response time with the resources currently available. Preserve acreage varies between these zones. The Northwest and Southwest contain our largest holdings with the lowest population densities. Conversely, the North, Central, and South zones typically contain smaller holdings along waterways defined and bounded by roads and urban development with larger populations, which create additional challenges.

There are two ways to increase burn acreage: 1) get more crews and 2) burn larger units. We've been achieving both and are constantly looking to improve. Resource Management crews team up and move around during burn season, and we've been further expanding crew sizes through our Conservation Corps sharing and maximizing the duty of bringing Prescribed Fire to our massive acreage. Contract crews are strategically directed to tackle specific sites for effective deployment.



Northwest Crew, Volunteers & UW Spring Breakers, Long Meadow

CREWS



Friends of the Forest Preserves Corps Crews, Audubon Great Lake Corps Crews & Tinley RM, 2017

Conservation Corps

Alternative Spring Break and Conservation Corps members assist staff with prescribed burns, making a huge difference in our seasonal outcomes. The extra hands allow staff to include additional sites where burning would otherwise not be possible.

The Resource Management Department's ongoing partnership with the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point provides natural resource students with a great spring break volunteer opportunity, a win-win for all parties. The students gain on the ground experience, and the preserve crews receive a boost in productivity from additional, well trained and enthusiastic helpers with plenty of energy for burning. 2018 was our fifth year working with the students, and they were housed at the FPCC's campgrounds.

The Conservation Corps Crews are another great resource, with some Field Supervisors acquiring multiple years of experience working with us over the past few years. Each season, new Corps members receive training to acquire certification as prescription burn crew members. Chicago Wilderness offers two, 2-day training sessions twice annually, based on the National Wildfire Coordinating Group's (NWCG) S-130 and S-190 courses, to safely participate on a controlled burn crew.

The majority of Corps members look forward to burn season as one of the best aspects of their experience with the FPCC. Last fall 60 Conservation Corps assisted on 2,642 acres from all programs - Friends of the Forest Preserves (FOTFP), Greencorps, and Audubon. During spring approximately 50 FOTFP members, and 8 UWSP students assisted with 2,077 acres. Way to go everyone!

Contract Crews

The Forest Preserves of Cook County had prescribed fire contracts with two main contractors focused County-wide: Pizzo & Associates and Stantec Consulting. During fire season six contract crews were available to the FPCC seven days a week. Each morning, with appropriate conditions, the pieces of the fire puzzle are forced into place by staff trying to spread resources across district holdings to meet management goals. Additionally "project specific burns" may be conducted by assigned contract crews with site allocated project goals.

Over this season, on the fifth year of the contract, we have seen the dividends of seasoned crews paying off. The burn bosses and crews were more comfortable with the type of burning necessary at the FPCC, as well as more familiar with each site, which resulted in increased overall efficiency and more acres burned.

Having sufficient funding for prescribed fire is critical, as is ensuring all lines of communication are solid between staff, project managers, contractors, interns, and volunteers.



Pizzo Crew, Kloempken Prairie



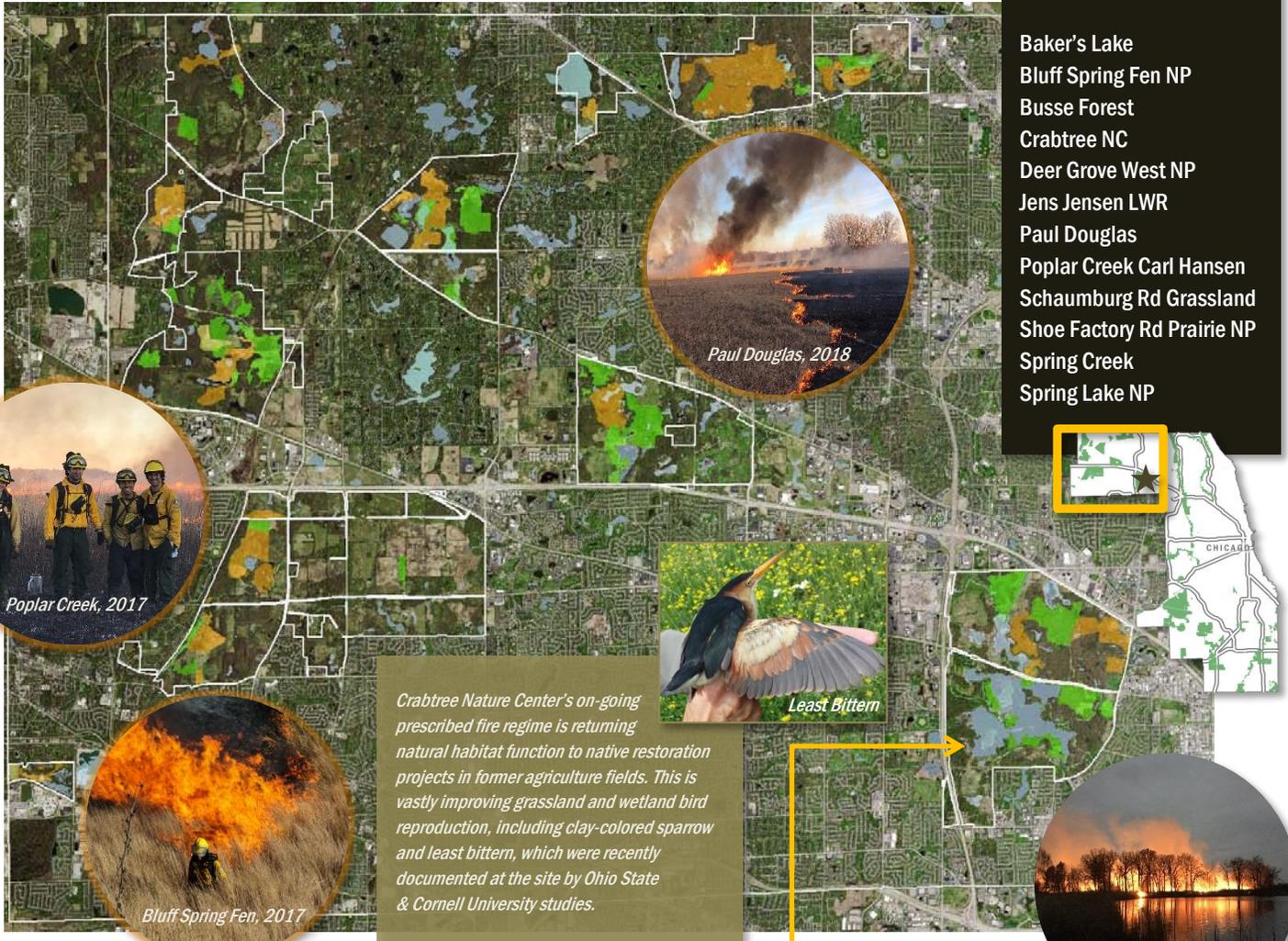
Troy Showerman overseeing burn, Deer Grove West

More certified crew members and additional crews are crucial to achieve ecological burn goals county-wide.

| SITES

NW | Acres Burned: 3,236

- Baker's Lake
- Bluff Spring Fen NP
- Busse Forest
- Crabtree NC
- Deer Grove West NP
- Jens Jensen LWR
- Paul Douglas
- Poplar Creek Carl Hansen
- Schaumburg Rd Grassland
- Shoe Factory Rd Prairie NP
- Spring Creek
- Spring Lake NP



Crabtree Nature Center's on-going prescribed fire regime is returning natural habitat function to native restoration projects in former agriculture fields. This is vastly improving grassland and wetland bird reproduction, including clay-colored sparrow and least bittern, which were recently documented at the site by Ohio State & Cornell University studies.

Busse Forest | Ned Brown Preserve: 699 acres



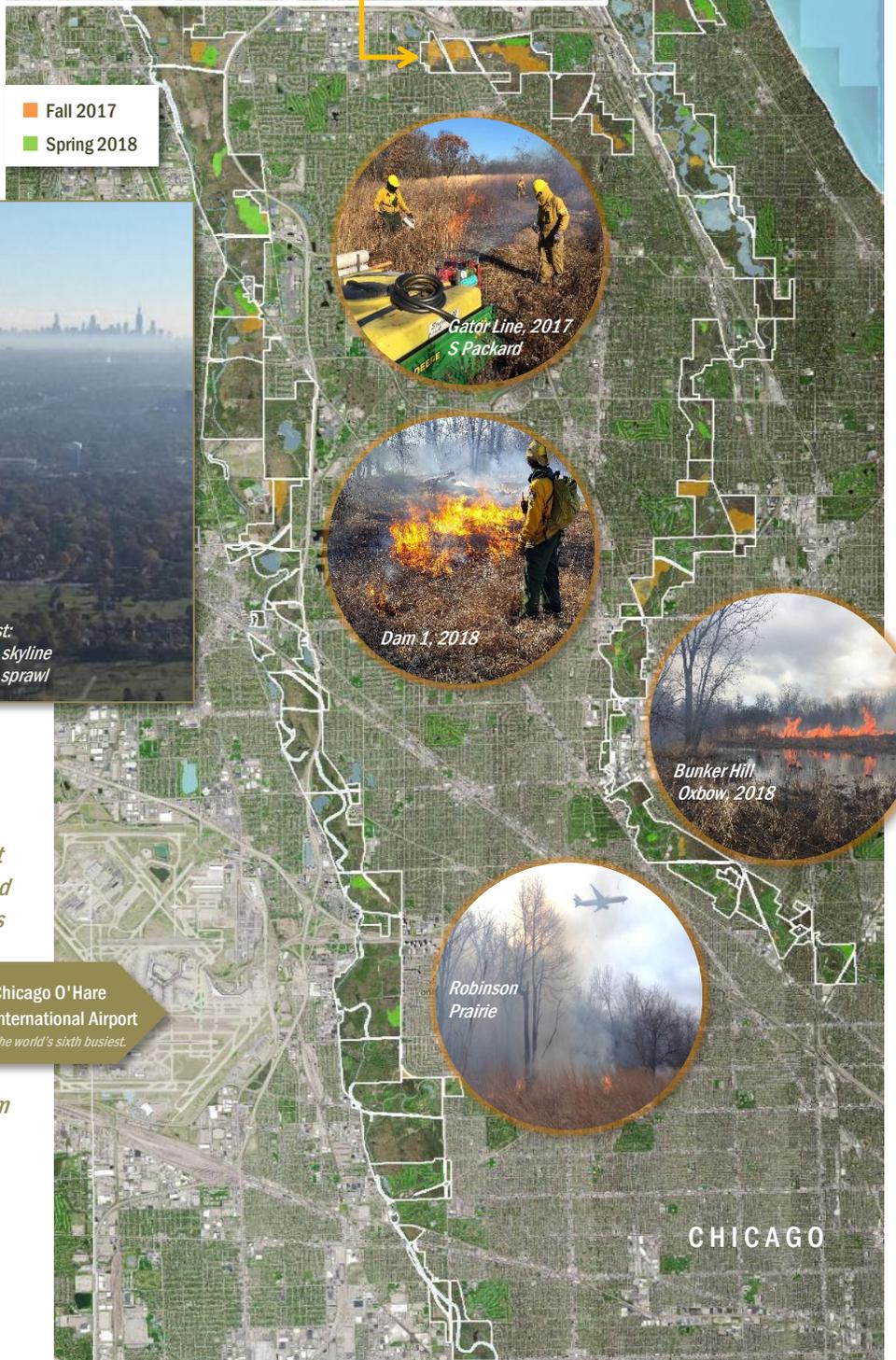
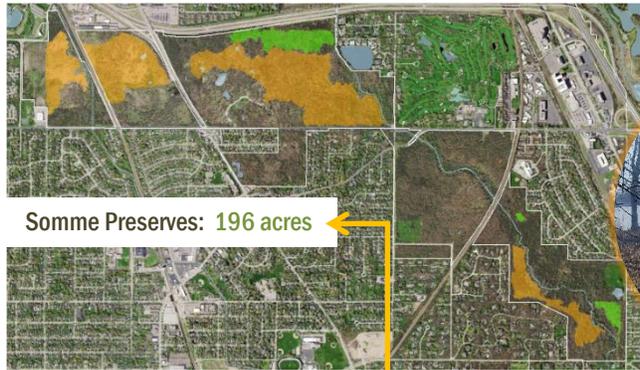
Busse Forest

Includes our third highest conservation landscape priority, and is our most popular recreation destination, visited by nearly 2.5 million folks annually. The site totals 3,558 acres, offering a 7.2 mile trail loop, boating, and 20-miles of shoreline fishing.

Crew, contractor, and volunteer restoration efforts are enhancing the health and beauty of this wonderful resource.

North | Acres Burned: 724

- Bunker Hill
- Chipilly Woods
- Dam 1 Woods
- Dam 4 Woods
- Forest Glen Woods
- Harms Flatwoods NP
- Harms Woods
- Indian Road Prairie
- Kloempken Prairie
- LaBagh Woods
- Linne Woods & Prairie
- Miami Woods
- Potawatomi Woods
- River Trail Nature Center
- Robinson Woods
- Skokie Lagoons
- Somme Prairie Nature Preserve
- Somme Prairie Grove
- Somme Woods
- Turnbull Woods
- VRC Woods
- Watersmeet Woods
- Wayside Woods



View East:
Chicago skyline
& urban sprawl

Nick Kuhn,
Resource Operations Manager:

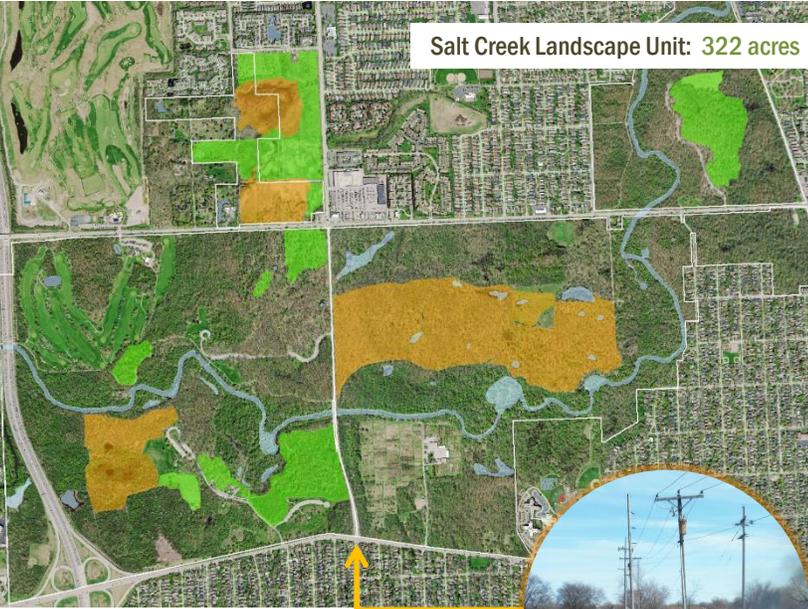
“My fire experience has been primarily with wildfire, and my training has focused on fighting fire in forests and urban sites. This, along with my urban forestry background, gives me special insight into prescribed burning as a management tool. I realize the need and specialized use behind fire while understanding how to work with citizens who live, work and even drive past our sites.”

The challenge is to accomplish our goals without disruption of the nearby community. While public awareness of forest management and prescribed burns seem dramatically improved compared to when I lived here previously, we always prioritize safety and avoid adversely affecting neighbors.

Through training and very specific site planning, we can work in more densely developed areas such as our North Zone and Skokie region.”

CHICAGO

| SITES



- Central |
 Acres Burned: 669
- Arie Crown Woods
 - Bemis Woods
 - Brookfield Prairie
 - Cermak Prairie
 - Chicago Portage
 - G.A.R. Woods
 - McCormick Woods
 - Possum Hollow
 - Salt Creek NP
 - Sundown Meadow
 - Thatcher Woods
 - Theodore Stone Forest
 - Thomas Jefferson
 - Waubansee Woods
 - Wolf Road Prairie NP

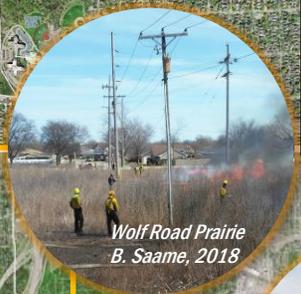


Salt Creek

Our sixth highest landscape conservation priority at the County's western perimeter, adjacent to Salt Creek. Composed of prairie, savanna, oak woodlands, and floodplain forest and two Illinois Nature Preserves (NP). Much of Bemis, Salt Creek Woods NP, and Wolf Road Prairie NP have received woody invasive clearing and successive follow-up. Additional work at Possum Hollow began in 2017, due in part to the restart of the volunteer stewardship program at the site. In total 165 acres have received restoration since 2015.

Fuels here can be wet, and vary between heavy and sparse. Great care is taken to keep smoke from residential areas to the north, and a retirement healthcare facility to the southeast.

Prescribed fire is a critical phase-two restoration tool following invasive removal. A consistent fire regime can assist in reinvigorating the ground layer vegetation, reducing the woody invasive species from the seed bank, and managing re-sprouts.



■ Fall 2017
■ Spring 2018

Brookfield Zoo

*"Central and North zone units are typically small. The boundaries are defined by roads and development, so matching sites to conditions available is of primary concern, with emphasis on smoke management."
 - Mike Moore, Salt Creek RM Resource Supervisor*

Challenges occur with proximity to Brookfield Zoo and - in the North - O'Hare Airport due to urban congestion. Transporting equipment and staff to sites may consume more time than the prescribed burn. During school field trip season, Mike clocked 40 minutes travel time from Brookfield Prairie to Zoo Woods, a distance of less than .5 miles.



SITES

SW | Acres Burned: 5,892

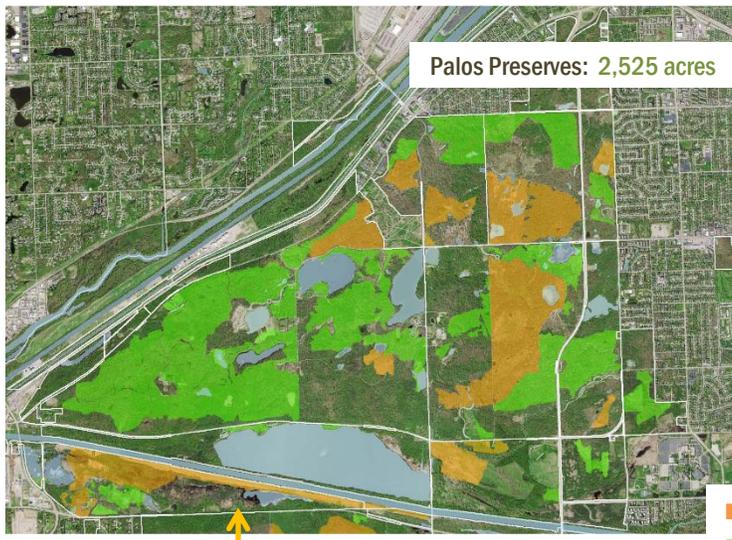
- Bartel Grassland
- Orland Grassland
- Palos Preserves
- Sag Valley Preserves
- Tinley Creek Preserves

Palos Preserves:

Palos, located just north of the Cal-Sag Channel, harbors some of our largest tracts of managed habitat. More than 6,000 acres of woodland, prairie, and wetland are separated only by roads. This mosaic includes five Illinois Nature Preserves, and is the northern component of our highest conservation landscape priority, Palos-Sag Valley.

Within this landscape our fire program has burned more than 1,000 acres over the last 4 years. And the positive effects of a successful prescribed burn program are readily apparent here. Invasive shrubs are much reduced with burning alone. Encouragingly, plants and animals are expanding into new habitat made suitable by burning. Surprisingly, at one preserve following a single burn, a previously undocumented terrestrial orchid was observed.

Several new areas were burned in the 2017-2018 season, and we aim to continue adding even more sites to the fire rotation. The large tracts in Palos provide more space for smoke management but can also require larger crews, additional prep time, and longer fire breaks. We are ready for the challenge!



| SITES

Sag Valley Preserves:

The remaining component of our first conservation priority lies south of the Cal-Sag Channel and features two Nature Preserves. Sagawau Canyon NP, and Cap Sauers Holding NP. Our largest, 1,570 acres, contiguous site.

Prescribed burns are the most important and cost-effective tool to manage large landscapes, providing benefits that cannot be derived from other modes or applications.

Momentum is building with the fire regime; with each successive application, fuels are more responsive, invasive species are reduced, and public support grows.



Visitors and neighbors to the preserves thank our crews for the improved conditions in these exceptional ecosystems.



Lomie Ward & Kevin Neary Sagawau ELC



University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point Alternative Spring Break students, laying down fire at Sagawau Canyon Nature Preserve & Environmental Learning Center



Cap Sauers Holding NP



Bergman Slough



Tampier Greenway, 2018



Pileated Woodpecker

■ Fall 2017
■ Spring 2018

Sag Valley: 1,986 acres



Burn Plan, 2018

Swallow Cliff woodland birds, such as the Acadian flycatcher and pileated woodpecker, are experiencing an uptick in nesting due to improvements in ground layer vegetation, a direct result of prescribed burning and invasive shrub removal. Nutrients are recycled, habitat is opened, light infiltrates to the ground, and the whole system is stimulated.

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Orland Grassland: 536 acres

- Fall 2017
- Spring 2018



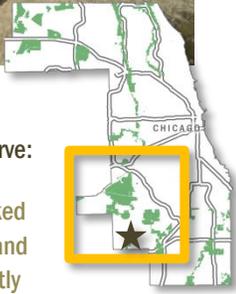
Orland Grassland Series 2016, Joe Occhiuzzo



Orland Grassland 2018



Savanna Sparrow



Orland Grassland Land & Water Reserve:

This is our 15th ranked priority landscape and recipient of a recently established burn regime following a large-scale Army Corps of Engineers prairie restoration, which reinvigorated wetlands recently drained by agricultural tiles. Initially, woody removal and re-wetting provided limited fuels for burning. With ongoing intensive contract and volunteer invasive management, native plant species are filling-in and the burn quality and habitat has improved across 1,120 acres.

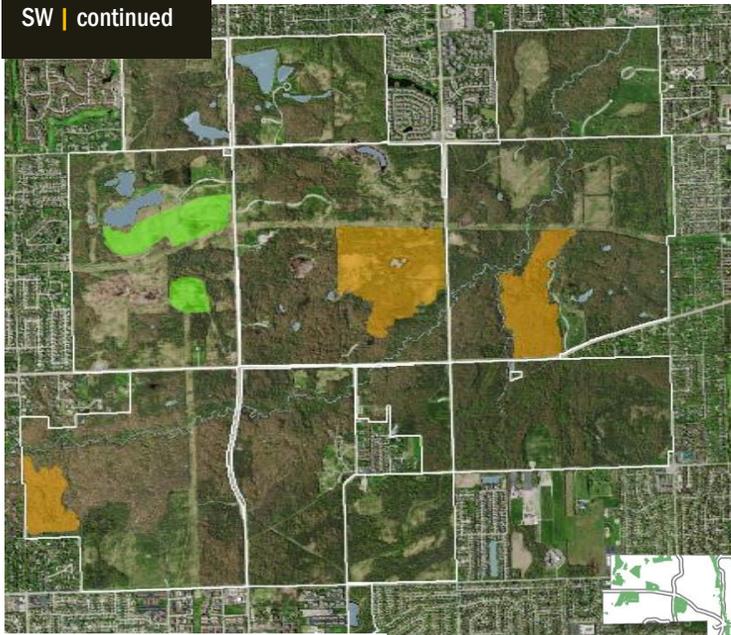


Post-burn March



May

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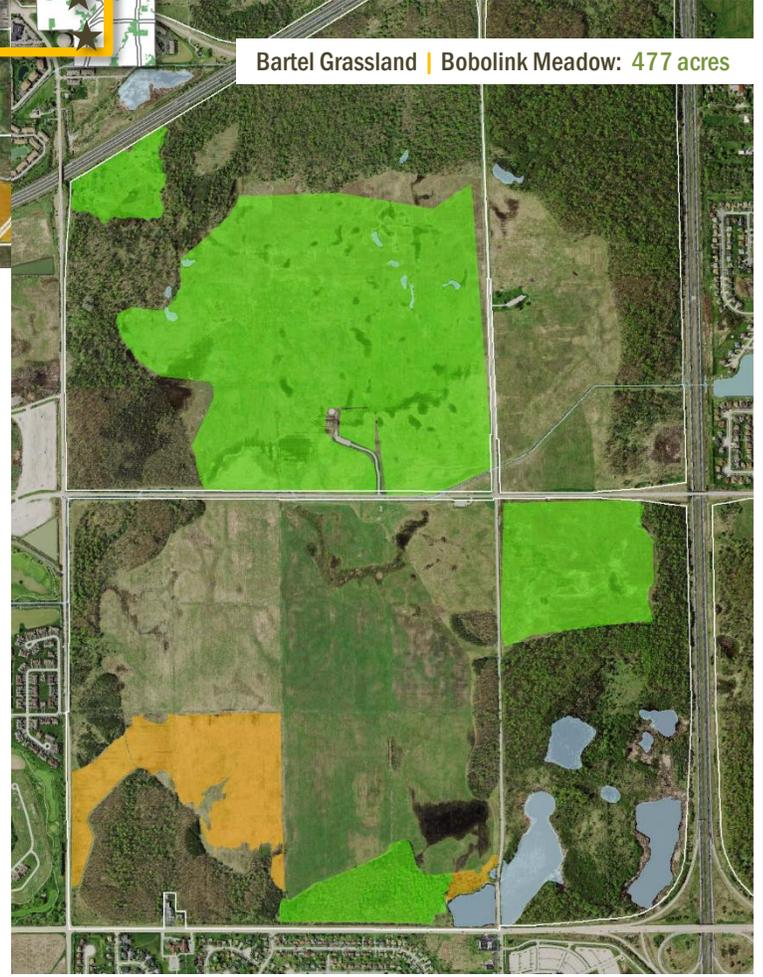


Tinley Creek Preserves: 377 acres



- Fall 2017
- Spring 2018

Bartel Grassland | Bobolink Meadow: 477 acres



Tinley Creek Preserves

Ranked 11th, the Natural & Cultural Resources Master Plan prioritized several remnant woodlands within the Tinley Creek watershed. Where fire had not been applied for many years, recent burn seasons have brought increasingly productive burns to these areas.

Bartel Grassland & Bobolink Meadow Land & Water Reserves

The Bartel Landscape is ranked as our 14th conservation priority, and is comprised of two dedicated Illinois Land and Water Reserves, of which Bobolink Meadow to the northeast, is one. Here a 5-year ongoing O'Hare Modernization Mitigation Account project of large scale wetland restoration is extending essential wildlife habitat, particularly for grassland and wetland birds.

In total 976 acres have received restoration since 2015. Conditions now provide successful rotational burning in areas that were previously difficult to burn.

Wetland Birds Bartel



Lesser Yellowlegs



Least Sandpiper



Pectoral Sandpiper

South Preserves

The Jurgensen landscape, which includes Thornton-Lansing Road NP, is our second highest conservation priority. These sites feature a small very high quality wet prairie, and black oak savannas with sedge meadows within swales throughout. In recent years prescribed fire regimes have been established successfully in many of our highest quality preserves. This has allowed us to focus fire into additional southern restoration projects, such as Wampum Seep.

Sauk Trail Woods is our 10th ranked priority, where prescribed fire combined with invasive species removal is improving habitat for ground nesting bird species such as thrush, sparrow, and ovenbird.

South | Acres Burned: 755

- Beaubien Woods
- Brownell Woods
- Burnham Prairie NP
- Calumet City Prairie NP
- Dan Ryan Woods
- Dolton Ave Prairie
- Eggers Grove
- Green Lake Savanna
- Jurgensen Woods NP
- Kickapoo Woods
- Plum Creek
- Powderhorn Marsh & Prairie NP
- Sand Ridge Nature Center
- Sand Ridge NP
- Sauk Trail Woods
- Thornton-Lansing Road NP
- Wampum Lake
- Wentworth Woods



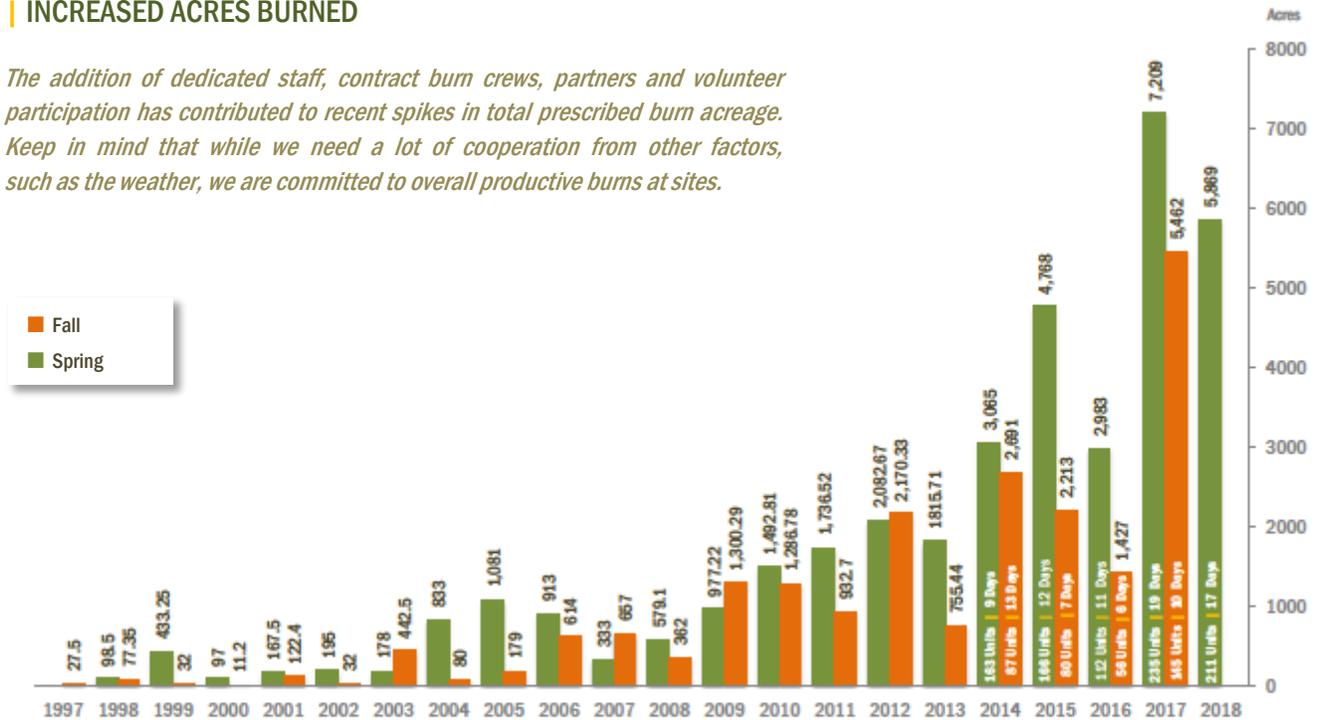
Jurgensen Landscape Unit: 141 acres

Sauk Trail Woods: 168 acres



INCREASED ACRES BURNED

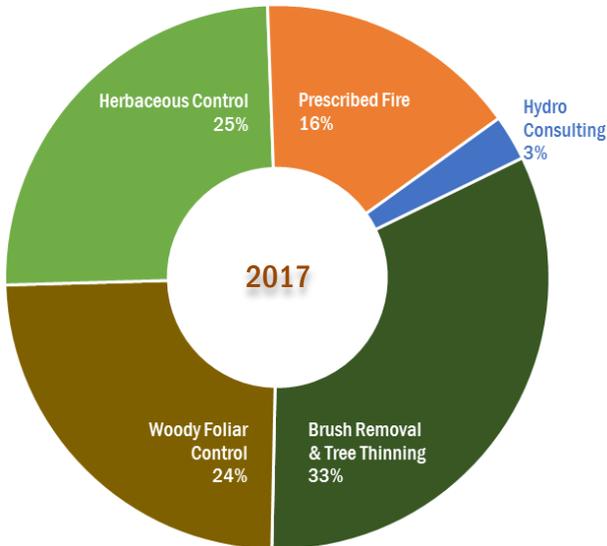
The addition of dedicated staff, contract burn crews, partners and volunteer participation has contributed to recent spikes in total prescribed burn acreage. Keep in mind that while we need a lot of cooperation from other factors, such as the weather, we are committed to overall productive burns at sites.



| Program Funding

Our prescribed fire program funding strives to meet land management goals: Current Habitat Enhancement Contract funds are prioritized for prescribed burning, to make the most effective use of available conditions each season.

2017 Overall Restoration Budget Allocation
6,903 acres



The 2019 budget operationalizes specific goals outlined in the FPCC's Next Century Conservation Plan (NCCP), which was formally adopted in 2015 and provides the following goals:

- Restoring ecological health and protecting the diversity of plants and animals that depend on the preserves.
- Providing well-maintained buildings, trails and other facilities, and making them accessible to all county residents.
- Increasing outreach to underserved communities and expanding educational and recreational opportunities for all residents.
- Managing with excellence, transparency, and sound financial practice.

Over the course of 2018, the Forest Preserves have advanced these goals. For instance the highest priority section of Cranberry Slough will be 70 percent clear of invasive brush, by the end of the year totaling a thousand acres. Today 13,000 acres of land across the Preserves are in restoration or active maintenance.

The efficiency and effectiveness of our burn program goes hand in glove to maximize restoration productivity, and maintaining our budget is crucial to providing vital prescribed fire resources.



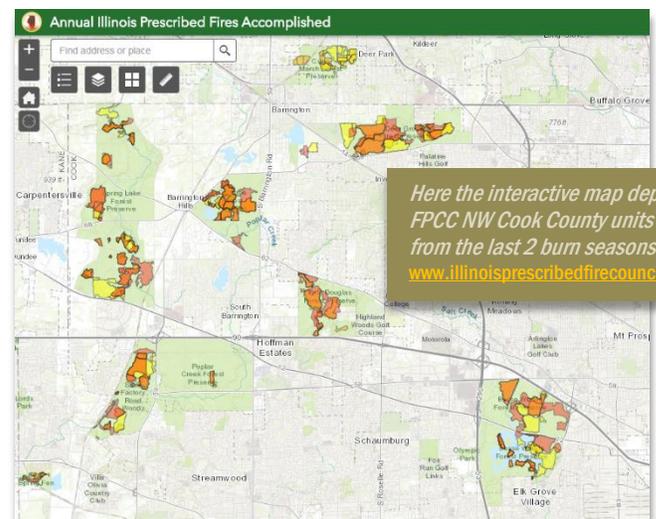
| Illinois Prescribed Fire Council

The Illinois Prescribed Fire Council is a group of individuals, organizations, land managers and agencies interested in ensuring the safety and effectiveness of prescribed fire in Illinois.

Illinois Fire Needs Assessment Annual Summary & Map:

"...Today prescribed fire is the most important management practice in maintaining and restoring healthy landscapes. The future of Illinois natural areas depends on repeated application of large scale fire; fire that will keep brush from taking the sunlight from woodlands, wetlands and grasslands."

"It is imperative that state leadership, agency administrators and the general public understand the profound importance of prescribed fire and the vital role it plays in managing Illinois' natural wonders."



Registration is now open for the
2019 Illinois Prescribed Fire Council Symposium
May 8-9, 2019 at Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills

The Symposium will feature a full day of presentations and a second day of field trips to several local fire management sites, led by ecologists and fire managers from your very own Forest Preserves of Cook County. Many notable experts will present new research findings in fire science to foster collaboration and promote the implementation of prescribed fire programs throughout the region.

Presentation proposals and nominations for the very prestigious Spark & Leadership Awards are also being accepted. These awards recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the prescribed fire community in Illinois. If you know someone who fits the bill, we encourage you to submit a nomination.

For more information and to register, please see:
<https://www.illinoisprescribedfirecouncil.org/2019-symposium.html>

Fire Assessment Key Recommendations & FPCC



Promoting a culture wherein prescribed fire use is valued, supported and expected

The FPCC actively participates in our Chicago Wilderness community. Promoting understanding of the importance of our preserves, local natural areas and the essential need for prescribed fire. We execute and underscore the crucial need for land management methods to sustain our protected heritage.

Each burn season the FPCC posts real-time on-line trail updates through our interactive trail map - <https://map.fpdcc.com/>, our mainstream newsletter - *The Forest Way*, and our more focused *Volunteer Ecosystem* Newsletter: <https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?u=5c22cce9c2b12dc76b266ffd6&id=ec5c8f3981>

Resource Management provides a daily notification email promoting awareness (pre-season, morning of, and follow-up post burn), and expanding participation in our Rx Burn crews. Notification keeps volunteers and FPCC staff in the loop as to where prescribed burns are conducted in and around the Preserve. The information provided also helps staff and volunteers to ascertain when wildfire conditions are present. All facilities and staff prepare for wildfire suppression season, with pumper trucks, suppression gear, communication and other needed support equipment at the ready, in anticipation of upcoming season and conditions.

During fire season - all hands on deck fire program focus

FPCC Resource Management prioritizes prescribed burns to efficiently and effectively utilize appropriate conditions during each limited seasonal window of opportunity. RM and contract crews are scheduled and deployed everyday including holidays, weekends, as conditions present beyond the typical burn season.

Volunteer fire program support

Volunteer Resources offers volunteer opportunities beyond assisting as a crew member - Post Burn Monitor & Rx Public Outreach, with online Rx burn participation tracking. Available volunteer opportunities are accessed via our Rx Burn Season Notification email. Midwest Prescribed Fire Crew Training certified volunteers assist FPCC burn crews, throughout the preserves: Central, South, Southwest, North and Northwest.

The morning of each burn, volunteers contact the Burn Boss, to verify the burn unit location, meeting place and time. With any fire operation, fire behavior and weather are unpredictable and ever-changing, so participation opportunities require flexibility and can be subject to last minute changes or cancellations. With advanced volunteer participation notice, crews plan the day's activities accordingly, and are ready with additional needed equipment, resulting in more burning accomplished.



Fire Assessment Key Recommendations & FPCC



Fire program support and regional mentoring

FPCC offers Resource Crews seasonal training, protocol update training, and opportunities for advanced training and certification. Four additional RM staff received Burn Leader credentials in 2016. The FPCC promotes the Chicago Wilderness Burn Crew Member Training Program, and offers Burn Crew Certified folks the opportunity to gain experience by assisting our crews during burn season. We also support and participate with the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) for training, and standards, as well as interagency coordination. Our FPCC fire program is presented or represented at local and national land management conferences.

Outreach has proven highly effective to develop and improve relationships with local Fire Protection Districts and municipalities throughout the County. From 2005 to 2018, Resource Management Senior staff and Burn Leaders have been reaching out to suburban Fire Chiefs and their teams to provide understanding and training regarding the importance of natural area prescribed fire, offering firefighters the opportunity to participate in-field on controlled burns, and underlining juxtaposed fire control methods required for beneficial fire and wildfire suppression compared with structural fire fighting.



Equipment required for efficient and safe fire implementation

The size and distribution of holdings requires more resources to achieve goals set by the FPCC Natural and Cultural Resources Master Plan and our Next Century Conservation Plan. Five staff crews are currently available; additional staffing, plus additional contract resources, would increase regional response and expansion of burn allocation. Our equipment is modern and well maintained.



Best planning methods

Our burn units are expansive, encompassing several habitat types where given buffers allow, and sites are well prepped with burn breaks. Fire is our single most important management tool, the most economical and restorative tool to cover the greatest acreage.

Resource ecologists create priorities each burn season by incorporating long term plans and goals, for on-going and large scale restoration project goals. All actively managed sites include fire plans. New plans are created as priority and project resources delegate.

Our Ecology, Wildlife, Fisheries, and Project Management teams participate on the ground during burn season, in concert with resource crews, contractors, partners, and volunteers, for the best applied fire management benefiting these ecosystems.

Fire Assessment Key Recommendations & FPCC



Comprehensive fire action plans

The Forest Preserves of Cook County comprise 11% of the county, over 69,000 acres, offering nature respite to the people of Cook County and beyond. Our preserves surround Chicago, the third most populous city in the country with 2.7 million residents. The majority of the preserves are adjacent to, or corridors within, tight urban and suburban proximity. Cook County is the second most populous county in the United States, with the 2017 U.S. Census Bureau population estimate of: 5,227,575*, and the 19th largest government in the United States, with more than 800 local governmental units within its boundaries, and 128 municipalities in its region. ** With these staggering statistics in mind, we proceed following all best fire management practices.

We obtain all necessary permits, well in advance of burn season. Early each morning, prior to controlled burns, we contact local fires departments, and notify adjacent neighbors.

Each burn follows a plan, with units and priorities mapped along with roads, trails, waterways and barriers that bound the units and contain the fire. Each burn day appropriate conditions are matched per site including: wind, relative humidity, temperature, soil and fuel moisture, air mass stability and topography. These conditions determine the success of our ecological burn goals, influence flame height, rate of speed, and smoke dispersion. Appropriate weather conditions are required, to minimize the impact of smoke on our neighbors, and to be in compliance with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Smoke management is always top of mind, thus burn units must be flexible and techniques will vary to reach goals, and to avoid adversely affecting neighbors.



* <https://www.towncharts.com/Illinois/Demographics/Cook-County-IL-Demographics-data.html> **Cook County Government: www.cookcountyil.gov/content/about-cook-county/

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Debrief - After Action Report (AAR) at the end of a long day, Joe Occhiuzzo

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Pardon misspellings, or if we missed you, reach out and let us know.
(Please be sure to write legibly on the sign in sheet next season.)

Fall 2017 Prescribed Fire

Date	Day	Site	Specific Location	Zone	Actual Acres	Crew Type	Burn Boss	Crew
11/20/2017	Monday	Deer Grove East	2 units Prairie Inner Loop W and just W of trail (Wood	NW	42.3	Contract	David Bart	Stantec
11/20/2017	Monday	Orland South	CANCELLED - Fuels not ready see 11/26/2018	SW	2	Contract	James McAley	NLC
11/25/2017	Saturday	Black Partridge Woods	P1 - SW along Boundary Fence DID NOT BURN	SW	4.7	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/25/2017	Saturday	Deer Grove West	1 entire unit, per Troy	NW	165	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/25/2017	Saturday	Eggers Grove	Burnham Grwy to path W of marsh. NRCS Grant.	South	41	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo, Semper Fi
11/25/2017	Saturday	Thornton-Lansing Road Nature Preserve	Willigan Rd Prairie	South	14.2	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
11/25/2017	Saturday	Sand Ridge Nature Preserve	(5 acres) Unit 2 & escape kmz provided - Superior St	South	2.28	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
11/25/2017	Saturday	Harms Woods North	1 & 3 West, N of Old Orchard Rd - Updated MAP	North	45	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
11/25/2017	Saturday	Somme Woods	4,5,6 lght winds very patchy 28.19 acres. 10.8 burne	North	56.4	Contract	Sam Pirruccello	Pizzo
11/25/2017	Saturday	Carl Hansen Woods	Big Prairie (map 11/24)	NW	94.6	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
11/25/2017	Saturday	Cranberry Slough Nature Preserve	Limited areas Along CL & SE of lot	SW	15.4	FPCC	John Pellegrino	PRM
11/25/2017	Saturday	McMahon Fen Nature Preserve	Units 1 & 2. West Fen, Grove. Burned well.	SW	71.6	FPCC	Kristin Pink	TRM, Palos Corp
11/26/2017	Sunday	Bluff Spring Fen Nature Preserve	Units 1b, 2, 3 - S from River E/N to Cemetery. Not Big	NW	26.8	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
11/26/2017	Sunday	Somme Prairie Nature Preserve	Entire Prairie W except SW	North	20.6	FPCC	Matthew Skoflanc	SRM
11/26/2017	Sunday	Little Red Schoolhouse NC	5b SW of wetland/Small SW sect of 3 (11/25?)	SW	19.1	FPCC	Pink & Jackson	PRM
11/26/2017	Sunday	Cherry Hill Woods	Prairie 1b, edge of woods north of Prairie	SW	14.3	FPCC	Pink & Jackson	PRM
11/26/2017	Sunday	Bergman Slough	1 - North Prairie, except NW corner & SE of house SA	SW	57	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM, PRM
11/26/2017	Sunday	Linne Prairie	3 - SW to Lehigh, N to ComEd, 1 - Woods NE of Loop	North	14	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/26/2017	Sunday	Miami Woods	1 - E of Big Prairie/trail to river	North	2	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/26/2017	Sunday	Bartel Grassland	1 - SW Quad	SW	52	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
11/26/2017	Sunday	Burnham Prairie NP	NW shoreline to RR	South	9	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/26/2017	Sunday	Dolton Prairie	SW Corner & East, excludes north	South	6	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/26/2017	Sunday	Powderhorn Prairie NP	1, 2 parking lot swale & NW except peninsula	South	43	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
11/26/2017	Sunday	Sand Ridge NC	1 - north break & 3	South	0.5	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
11/26/2017	Sunday	Sand Ridge NP	SW, not Adj Burnham Greenway	South	22.4	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
11/26/2017	Sunday	Spring Lake NP	1 - SW Sedge Meadow/Prairie of Lake	South	35.5	Contract	David Paddock	Pizzo
11/26/2017	Sunday	Orland South	Fire would not carry, only burned areas included.	SW	40	Contract	Jim McAley	NLC
11/27/2017	Monday	Paul Douglas	Large Prairie W of Drainage mid site	NW	119	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
11/27/2017	Monday	Sidney Yates/Bunker Hill Flatwoods	Savanna NB Trail N of River Oxbow - both sides of tra	North	7.22	FPCC	Matthew Skoflanc	SRM
11/27/2017	Monday	Watersmeet	West of Becker Rd	North	0.14	FPCC	Matthew Skoflanc	SRM
11/27/2017	Monday	Wolf Road Prairie NP	South Blocks except E & W edges	Central	15	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
11/27/2017	Monday	Sagawau ELC	3b & 5b North & NW of Fence, Dolomite Prairie, Cans	SW	185	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
11/27/2017	Monday	Bergman Slough	Prairie Adj Slough	SW	88.3	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM, FOTFP
11/27/2017	Monday	Burnham Prairie NP	East Unit due to mowing. Burnham 2 won't burn.	South	8	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/27/2017	Monday	Calumet City Prairie NP	E bound mid between N/WS to Mid S bound	South	13.5	Contract	Matthew Sienko	Pizzo
11/27/2017	Monday	Cal Sag Trail Paddock Woods	CANCELLED - Wait to Spring Rte 83 & 86th Ave	SW	0	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/27/2017	Monday	Crooked Creek	Prairie SW	SW	11	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/27/2017	Monday	Hidden Pond Woods	Entire Prairie Woods to Kean Ave	SW	22	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/27/2017	Monday	Kickapoo Woods	Entire Prairie area to N Boundary	South	20	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/27/2017	Monday	Portwine / Potawatomi Woods	2 Units: SW & South	North	25.1	Contract	David Paddock	Pizzo
11/27/2017	Monday	Schaumburg Road Grassland	2 Units: 1 (W of Lot), 2, part of 3 (E of Creek)	NW	82	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
11/27/2017	Monday	Spring Creek Headwaters	1 & 5 mid site N of HW Parking - S of Penny Pond	NW	77.5	Contract	Lucas Henkel	Pizzo
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Busse Central/Nature Preserve	Unit 1, Grove 4 - 1&5, East of Wildlife Refuge	NW	85.6	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Chipilly Woods	SE section W of River to Volt Rd / both sides of trail	North	21.6	FPCC	Matthew Skoflanc	SRM
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Salt Creek Nature Preserve Prairie	CANCELLED, but partial	Central	7	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Willow Springs Woods Katydid	North to Katydid Ravine sect, SW corner	SW	48	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Spears Woods	1 - Nearly Entire SW Trail Bounds N to Boomerang	SW	90	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Cranberry Slough NP	1&2, SW prt of 4 along CL	SW	25.4	FPCC	John Pellegrino/Kristin	TRM, Palos C, Aud
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Deer Grove East	2 units East of Camp Reinburg	NW	33.5	Contract		Stantec
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Deer Grove West	Between E West Grove & W of Camp Alphonse	NW	138	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Thatcher Woods	Units 3 & 2 like breaks to east units.	Central	5.72	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Wampum Lake	N of Thornton-Lansing Rd from Lot/Facility W	South	74.5	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
11/28/2017	Tuesday	McCloughrey Springs Woods	Ravines burned well, not N trail heavy brush/N facing	SW	42	Contract	Matthew Sienko	Pizzo
11/28/2017	Tuesday	Tinley Creek Ravines	Priority 1	SW	38	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Salt Creek Nature Preserve	1 - East, 2 - South, inner loop	Central	77	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Somme Woods	3 - SW bound trail-drainages, 2 & 6 - NW mid site	North	4.07	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Schiller Woods	Prairie Units	Central	5.12	Contract	Rogers Christal	Pizzo
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Willow Sanders / Dam 1 Woods	2 like breaks W & S	North	5.13	Contract	Rogers Christal	Pizzo
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Thatcher Woods	1 - NE of Grove, 2 - N&W of Shelter, 3 - SW of lot	Central	53.5	Contract	Matthew Sienko	Pizzo
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Chicago Portage	1 W of grove, 2 - NW of grove, 3,4,5 - SE. 40% fuel low	Central	28	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Willow Springs Woods West	Unit 1 - Trinagle S of footpath N of ravine	SW	30	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Pioneer Woods	2 - Country Lane & 1 - E adj crk /lot	SW	33	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Harms Flatwoods	1, 2 & 3 S, except west. Good Burn, patchy in brush	North	32.2	FPCC	Matthew Skoflanc	SRM
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Busse Woods North Nature Preserve	2 & 4, block N of Bike Trail/Elk & NW	NW	137	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve	Mid Prairie Ditch-Marsh 90% W-Except Aloha, E 25%	Central	16	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Dan Ryan Woods - 91st	Unit 1 sects W facility & SW corner, smoke issues	South	2	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Swallow Cliff Woods	Unit 3 complete. Unit 2 west half.	SW	99	FPCC	Kristin Pink/John Jacks	TRM
11/29/2017	Wednesday	Paddock Woods		SW	52	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM

Fall 2017 Prescribed Fire (Continued)

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11/30/2017	Thursday	Carl Hansen Woods	3, 4 units SW & SE of Leaky Lake	NW	64.2	FPCC	Elliot Medina/Matthe	NWRM
11/30/2017	Thursday	Somme Prairie Grove	entire unit 1, per email	North	42.2	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
11/30/2017	Thursday	Theodore Stone Forest	3 small units. Still plenty left	Central	7	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
11/30/2017	Thursday	Swallow Cliff Woods	Unit 1a 90%, except NW corner	SW	69	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
11/30/2017	Thursday	Cap Sauers Holding Nature Preserve	1 - enormous west central	SW	389	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
11/30/2017	Thursday	Bluff Spring Fen NP	1a	NW	1	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
11/30/2017	Thursday	Crabtree Nature Center	2 units 1 - N of Phantom, 2-Turkeyfoot	NW	44	Contract	Matt Sienko	Pizzo
11/30/2017	Thursday	Deer Grove West NP	3 Units 2a & 4 - east of Big Marsh near trail/footpath	NW	138	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
11/30/2017	Thursday	Green Lake Savanna	north of service trail, except adj MI City Rd, Torrence	South	46	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
11/30/2017	Thursday	Wampum Lake	1 N of Facility, W of lot	South	17.6	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
12/1/2017	Friday	Peterson Spring Fen	SW Poplar Creek	NW	2.6	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Crabtree Nature Center	4 Units/Reports Entrance to Phantom Prairie	NW	150	FPCC	John McCabe	NWRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Carl Hansen Woods	Unit 4 SW of lot/loop/S of trail	NW	5.96	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Poplar Creek	Unit 5 N of Shoe Factory Rd & NP	NW	26.6	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Harms Flatwoods NP		North	12.6	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Harms Woods	Unit 4 South	North	0.51	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Thatcher Prairie	1 & 2, Unit 3 too green may wait till spring.	Central	4	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Brookfield Prairie	1 south ¾ burned very well. Unit 1 still available and	Central	6	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Black Partridge Nature Preserve	Unit 2	SW	22	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Orland Grassland	CANCELLED	SW	0	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Swallow Cliff Woods	Unit 4 S of Cherry Hill-Horsetail	SW	63	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Bergman Slough	Unit 3, SW quadrant	SW	38	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
12/1/2017	Friday	Spring Creek Headwaters	Unit 3 W of entrance drive	NW	39.7	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
12/1/2017	Friday	Paw Paw Woods Nature Preserve	Unit 3, 4 & ravine mouth across from Overlook.	SW	69	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
12/1/2017	Friday	Cap Sauers Holding Nature Preserve	McCarthy Rd to Yellow	SW	76	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
12/1/2017	Friday	Sagawau Environmental Learning Center	3a, 4, 5a W of ELC & W of Canyon	SW	20	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
12/1/2017	Friday	Sand Ridge Nature Center	Units 1 & 2	South	18	Contract	Matt Sienko	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Spring Creek Long Meadow		NW	110	Crew	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Linne Woods	Units 2 & 4	North	25.7	Crew	Joel Rosario	SRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Forest Glen	Unit 1 W less than 1/3	North	1.88	Crew	Joel Rosario	SRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Black Partridge Nature Preserve	85% of black partridge unit 1 (Re-burn?)	SW	10	Crew	Kevin Neary	PRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Pioneer Woods	65% of pioneer unit 1	SW	14	Crew	Kevin Neary	PRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Cap Sauers Holding Nature Preserve	Unit 3 Ford Rd WillCook-Wolf, not where brushy WillC	SW	176	Crew	John Pellegrino	TRM
12/2/2017	Saturday	Bartel Grassland	Unit 3	SW	12.4	Contract	Matt Seiko	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Bur Oak Woods	Unit 1 N almost 2/3	SW	108	Contract	Matt Seiko	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Yankee Woods	Unit 1 W 3/4	SW	64	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Cermak Prairie		Central	11	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	McCormick Woods	Unit 2 east	Central	4.6	Contract	Samuel Pirruccello	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Ted Stone Woods	Unit 3, did not burn well	Central	12	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
12/2/2017	Saturday	Salt Creek Nature Preserve	Unit 1 W, mid site to Wolf Rd	Central	37	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
12/2/2017	Saturday	Bemis Woods South	1 & 3 W of lot Grove	Central	32	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
12/3/2017	Sunday	Baker's Lake	North, not SE or SW	NW	23	Crew	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	Spring Lake NP	SE of Lake nearly to Old Sutton & N of W house. Pern	NW	17.5	Crew	Elliot Medina	NWRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	Spring Lake / Bluebird Field	NE & W. Shut down smoke concerns homes E. SW w	NW	4.97	Crew	John Yapelli	NWRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	Somme Woods	Unit 1 patchy, but mid section thorough burn (12/02)	North	26	Crew	Joel Rosario	SRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	Skokie Lagoons	Unit 6 burned really well. > acres than map shows. N	North	10.6	Crew	Matt Skoflanc	SRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	Spears Woods	90% of unit 2	SW	93	Crew	Kevin Neary	PRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	McGinnis Slough	Unit 4 (42.6 acres) - marsh interior & Unit 3 (125 acr	SW	168	Crew	John Pellegrino	TRM
12/3/2017	Sunday	River Trail Nature Center	Unit 2	North	32	Contract	Samuel Pirruccello	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Kloempken Woods	1 & 2	North	49	Contract	Rogers Christal	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Beaubien Woods	1, 2, 3 E & W of Drive N of shelter, SE Grove edge	South	6	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Yankee Woods	E South of lot adj Central	SW	25	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Bartel Grassland		SW	3.11	Contract	Matthew Sienko	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Rubio Woods	Unit 1	SW	69.8	Contract	Matthew Sienko	Pizzo
12/3/2017	Sunday	Paddock Woods	1 & 3 nearly entire SE	SW	42	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
12/6/2017	Wednesday	Mary Mix McDonald Woods	Planned 12/5 E of CBG	North		Staff	James F. Steffen	CBG
9/30/2017	Saturday	Wentworth Prairie - WF		South	21		Map - B Jones	TRM
11/25/2017	Saturday	Sand Ridge NP & Superior Street NP - WF	Origin Adj Sand Ridge INPC informed.	South	4.45		J Kavanaugh	Pizzo
11/30/2017	Thursday	Camp Pine Woods - WF		North	5.97		Elliot Medina	NWRM



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2/27/2018	Tuesday	Spring Creek	Penny Healy	NW	11.6	Contract	Ryan Johnson	AES
3/9/2018	Friday	Orland Grassland	Breaks ONLY	SW		FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Spring Creek Long Meadow	Hill Prairie 2 units 26, 4.71	NW	29	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Paul Douglas	E of Freeman, N of Central	NW	139	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Willow-Sanders	NW corner	North	51	FPCC	Matt Skoflanc	SRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Dam 1 Woods East	(South) Adj I-294	North	4	FPCC	Matt Skoflanc	SRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Theodore Stone	Unit 1, East only fuels heavy/dry - maj of site	Central	12.5	FPCC	Kristin Pink	SCRM/PRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Arie Crown/Sundown Meadow	Unit 1 N, only fuels heavy/dry - wet & patchy	Central	15	FPCC	Kristin Pink	SCRM/PRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Turtlehead Lake	Units 1-3 25,37,6,16	SW	68	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Palos Fen NP	Unit 3	SW	22	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/11/2018	Sunday	Deer Grove East	Jens Jensen (Map differs from kmz slightly)	NW	42	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/12/2018	Monday	Shoe Factory Road	Hill Prairie	NW	25	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Paul Douglas	5 units: 31, 26.7, 2.12, 2.1, 5 (Phrag burn video)	NW	62	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Turnbull Woods	East	North	23.7	FPCC	Matt Skoflanc	SRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Skokie Lagoons	2 units, Forest Way & east of Canoe Launch	North	8.5	FPCC	Matt Skoflanc	SRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Thatcher Prairie North		Central	4	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Wolf Road Prairie NP	3 units partly 1,2 & all of 3	Central	21	FPCC	Mike Moore	SCRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Maple Lake East	P 1-2, 2 Units 29.5, 28.6	SW	19	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/12/2018	Monday	White Oak Woods	P 1-3, prt 4.	SW	93	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Paddock Woods	Scheduled but not enough time	SW		FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/12/2018	Monday	Schaumburg Road Grassland	2 units 3 & 4 18.1, 13.5	NW	37	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Spring Creek - Healy Road Savanna		NW	31	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Spring Creek - Headwaters	Never made it here	NW		Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Bobolink Meadow/Kildeer	FIM unit	South	19	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Kickapoo Woods	13.5, 7.79, 2.75	South	31	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Black Partridge Fen	(initially Brownell revise)	SW	8.5	Contract	Mark Krus	Stantec
3/12/2018	Monday	Sand Ridge Nature Preserve	adj Burnham Greenway	South	23	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/12/2018	Monday	Green Lake Savanna	north	South	10.3	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Busse Woods North	NP - Cancelled Snow - prep. blown/trees marked or ar	NW		FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Bunker Hill Woods	2 Units 7.89, 2.62 /S Unit would not burn wet & patcl	North	7	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Watersmeet	Cancelled snowed out	North		FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	McCormick Woods	Triangle- Cancelled snowed out	Central		FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Brookfield Prairie	Unit 2	Central	9.6	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Spears Woods	Unit 3	SW	36	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Willow Springs Woods	Shut down - snowed out - ringed	SW	40	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Red Gate Woods	Partial units 2, 1, 3 - Shut down - snowed out	SW	73	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Maple Lake	3 Units 4-5 & W 3 - 2.57, 6.27, 5	SW	13	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Little Red Schoolhouse NC	SE corner - Cancelled snowed out	SW		Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/13/2018	Tuesday	McCloughrey Springs	Snow	SW		Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Miami Woods	Unit 2	North	16	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Paw Paw Nature Preserve	Snow	SW		Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Pioneer Woods	Snow	SW		Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Spicebush Woods	Snow	North		Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Spring Creek Headwaters	Unit 2 Cancelled snowed out - attempt W line burn	NW	37	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Swallow Cliff North	Unit 5 north sections	SW	23	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Theodore Stone Woods	Unit 1 NW patchy fuels	Central	16	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
3/13/2018	Tuesday	Wentworth Woods	C' Unit 1 & 2 (Cal City Meadow) 14.9, 9.71, 4.72	South	31	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/15/2018	Thursday	Planned - Chicago Botanic Garden	Woods - cancelled	North		CBG	Joan O' Shaughnessy	CBG
3/15/2018	Thursday	Spring Creek Steeple Chase		NW	43	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Spring Creek Bluebird		NW	15	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Paul Douglas		NW	60	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Lake Ave Woods / River Trail Nature Center	Mottlowitz Meadow West Prairie, NE large patchy	North	9	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Watersmeet	6 small units patchy to bad - 21, 1.12, 4.9, 10, 7.75,	North	6	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Blue Star Memorial Woods	Units 1 & 2 partial - wet	North	11	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Little Red Schoolhouse NC	3 Units 3, Partial unit 1 NE & 2 4.98, 22.8, 17	SW	41	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/15/2018	Thursday	Orland Grassland	Units 1, 3 & 5b	SW	503	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Planned - Chicago Botanic Garden	Woods - cancelled	North		CBG	Joan O' Shaughnessy	CBG
3/16/2018	Friday	Planned - Mary Mix McDonald Woods	Woods - confirmed	North		CBG	Jim Steffen	CBG
3/16/2018	Friday	Busse Woods North NP	Unit 1	NW		FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Busse Woods South	4 units 21.4, 11, 8.56, 31.4	NW	223	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/16/2018	Friday	LaBagh Woods	NE wet & area included NW patchy	North	16	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Wayside Woods	2 Units partial 1 & 2 1.2, 2.6	North	4	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Bemis North	Grove 2 3 Units: 4.42, 10.7, 1.25	Central	15	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Bemis South	Groves 25 - 32 1 Unit	Central	5	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Aire Crown & Sundown Meadow		Central	22	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Paddock Woods	Unit 2	SW	42	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Swallow Cliff Woods South	Unit SE 2 (adj 3/19)	SW	25	FPCC	Kristin Pink	TRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Cranberry Slough	Unit 4 (SE) (adj 3/19)	SW	90	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/16/2018	Friday	Chipilly	2 Units 3 & 4 .79, 11.2	North	5	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/16/2018	Friday	Dam 1 Woods East	(South) Unit 2	North	16	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/16/2018	Friday	Deer Grove West	2 partial units 3 mid N/S & 5 E 24.3, 22.9	NW	29	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec

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3/16/2018	Friday	Jurgensen	Unit 1	South	16	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/16/2018	Friday	Plum Creek	Units 1 & 2 36.1, 51.4	South	122	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/16/2018	Friday	Portwine	Unit 2 - great photo	North	24	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/16/2018	Friday	G.A.R. Woods	Units 2 TJ/GAR combined Map	Central	15	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/16/2018	Friday	Thomas Jefferson Woods	Units 1 TJ/GAR combined Map	Central	8	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/16/2018	Friday	Trailside Museum/Thatcher Glen	Partial units 1 tiny, & unit 2 Combo Map .64, 1.27	Central	1	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/16/2018	Friday	Turnbull Woods	Unit 1 mid E/W	North	13	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/19/2018	Monday	Spring Creek Headwaters/Penny Road Pond	3 Units 22.6, 7.68, 15.9	NW	159	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/19/2018	Monday	Busse Woods Biesner/Boating Center	South Grove 25 - 21.4, 11, 8.56, 31.4	NW		FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/19/2018	Monday	Pioneer Woods	Tuma Unit 3	SW	31	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/19/2018	Monday	Pulaski Woods East	Unit 1	SW	96	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/19/2018	Monday	Little Red Schoolhouse	39.3, 1.64, 1.2, .71 unit 1 woods wet/part burn. Unit	SW	25.4	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/19/2018	Monday	Brownell Woods	2 Units 1 & North near grove 5.3, 33.3	South	19	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/19/2018	Monday	McGinnis Field Station	Unit 1 (several units) .45, 1.54, .31, .69, .71, 6.83	SW	8.5	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/19/2018	Monday	Willow Springs Woods	West Unit 2	SW	16.6	Contract	Eric Johnson	Stantec
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Busse Woods South	Groves 5-16 several Units 17, .91, 19.6, 92.8	NW	131	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	River Trail NC / Allison Woods	NW	North	26	FPCC	Joel Rosario	TRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Dam 4 Woods	South of Devon	North	16.4	FPCC	Joel Rosario	TRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Bemis South	3 Units 3.2, .76, 3.96	Central	9	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve	1 Unit	Central	2.7	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Cranberry Slough NP	Buttonbush Slough Unit 5	SW	67	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Cranberry Slough/Country Lane	Units 3	SW		FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Red Gate Woods	3 Units 5a, NE of Tomahawk, 5b - patch 82.3, 76.7, :	SW	97.5	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Paw Paw Woods	Unit 2 Patchy (NW)	SW	15.4	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/20/2018	Tuesday	McLaughrey Springs	Unit will not burn, scrapped	SW		Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Palos Fen	3 Units 1-2.5 8.38, 9.72, 5.44	SW	20.6	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/20/2018	Tuesday	McGinty Slough		SW	17.5	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Saganashkee Slough Boat Launch/Central	Unit 1 & 2 - 3.23, 7.94	SW	10.5	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Robinson Woods	Unit 1	Central	20.7	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/20/2018	Tuesday	Thatcher Woods	Unit 4	Central	22.4	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Planned - Mary Mix McDonald Woods	Confirmed	North		CBG	Jim Steffen	CBG
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Planned - Barbara Brown Nature Reserve		North		CBG	Jim Steffen	CBG
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Busse Woods Ned Brown	Flying Field Unit	NW	111	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Somme Woods	NW	North	19.7	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Skokie Lagoons	4 Units: .76, 1.22, 2.41, 6.11	North	5	FPCC	Joel Rosario	SRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Salt Creek Nature Preserve Woods	Didn't make it	Central		FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve		Central	18.7	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Pioneer Woods	2 Units 4 & 5b	SW	13	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Red Gate Woods	2 Units 3-5b (strip prev) 22.3, 69.5, 21.7, 95, 119	SW	406	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Cap Sauer's Nature Preserve	3 Units 4-5: 9.48, 21.7, 12.9	SW	156	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Evans Field	Didn't make it	Central		Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Groundhog Slough	Unit 2	SW	23	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Hidden Pond	Didn't make it	SW		Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Willow Springs Woods	Unit 2 (NE)	SW	54.5	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Deer Grove East, Jens Jensen		NW	16.6	Contract	Justin Streicher	Stantec
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Miami Woods	Unit 1	North	3.99	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Spicebush Woods	Didn't make it	North		Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	VRC Matthew Bieszcza	Units 1-3 54, 1.47, .47	North	2.66	Contract	Keith Sykora	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Spring Creek Headwaters	Unit 2	NW	37	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	South of Crook Creek Woods	St Luke Church (S of 107th) Unit 1	SW	20.6	Contract	John Kavanaugh	Pizzo
3/21/2018	Wednesday	Arie Crown Sundown Meadow	5 Units 2.4, 5a-b: 9.77, 18.6, 1.47, 2.65, 17.5	Central	32.7	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/22/2018	Thursday	Waubensee Salt Creek Confluence		Central	1.3	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/22/2018	Thursday	McCormick Woods	Triangle	Central	6.33	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/22/2018	Thursday	Wolf Road Prairie	NW Wolf Rd	Central	12.4	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/22/2018	Thursday	Dan Ryan Woods		South	4.92	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/22/2018	Thursday	Paw Paw Woods	West	SW	17.2	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
3/22/2018	Thursday	Burnham Prairie (Annex)	Annex A00E 3 Units 7.4, 3.59, 5.89(SM)	South	16.9	Contract	Jim McAley	NCL
3/22/2018	Thursday	Hidden Pond	2 part Units 1-2 8.61, 21.6	SW	27.2	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/22/2018	Thursday	Sand Ridge NC	Michigan City Road Savanna Unit 1	South	12.6	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/23/2018	Friday	Crabtree Nature Center	4 Units 1, 3, 4 24, 4.14, 13.8, 33.2	NW	61.9	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/23/2018	Friday	Possum Hollow	Unit 1 North 3/4	Central	27.3	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/23/2018	Friday	McCormick	Unit 1 east section	Central	3.24	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/23/2018	Friday	Brookfield Prairie	Unit 3	Central	1.72	FPCC	Eric Menigat	SCRM
3/23/2018	Friday	Sagawau ELC	Unit 1 North of Lodge	SW	6.05	FPCC	John Pellegrino/BJ F	TRM
3/23/2018	Friday	Spears Woods	Unit 4 Northeast corner	SW	63.8	FPCC	Kevin Neary	PRM
3/23/2018	Friday	Schaumburg Road Grassland	Unit 4	NW	5.58	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/23/2018	Friday	Spring Creek Galloping Hill	Unit 1	NW	24.1	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/23/2018	Friday	Red Gate Woods	2 Units 4a, 3c	SW	21.2	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/23/2018	Friday	Bemis Woods South	Unit 4 (consider subtracting 3.48 SCRM burn unit)	Central	26.3	Contract	Dave Bart	Stantec

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3/23/2018	Friday	Evans Field	Cancelled scouted, leaf litter scattered/patchy.	Central		Contract		Stantec
3/23/2018	Friday	Arie Crown	Unit 3 S (NW of cloverleaf)	Central	10.7	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/23/2018	Friday	McMahon Fen NP	Unit 3 SE (near 11th st)	SW	6.54	Contract	Mark Kruis	Stantec
3/26/2018	Monday	Spring Creek Galloping Hill	3 Units: 19, 5.79, 4.57	NW	29.2	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Spring Creek Headwaters	1 Unit	NW		FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Crabtree Nature Center	Units 3-4: 50, 123	NW	155	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/26/2018	Monday	McGinnis Slough	portion of Unit 2	SW	20.2	FPCC	Michael Moore	SCRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Sagawau ELC/NP	Unit 2 section NW & Blenz Prairie 27.1, 6.47	SW	30.6	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Cap Sauers Holdings NP	2 units: 60.2, 11.2	SW	62.7	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Sauk Trail Woods	Unit 1 south	SW	168	FPCC	John Jackson	TRM
3/26/2018	Monday	Bartel Grasslands	Unit 2	SW	29	Contract	Scott Cressler	Pizzo
3/26/2018	Monday	Willow - Sanders		North	16.5	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
3/30/2018	Friday	Crabtree Nature Center	Old Stover Trailhead	NW	12.8	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Paul Douglas	Grassy Ridge Meadow	NW	11.1	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Busse Woods South	Main Dam/NWRM 4.44, 2, 2.11, 1.53	NW	10.4	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Poplar Creek/Janura Preserve	Wildlife Field Station	NW	17.5	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Schaumburg Road Grasslands	Poplar Creek Equestrian Lot	NW		FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Pioneer Woods	5a SE	SW	5.39	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Sag Quarry	NW - cut short shifty winds	SW	0.64	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Tampier Greenway	Where fuels available	SW	28.2	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Forty Acre Woods	Units 1-3 patchy west 2.17, 20.2	SW	12.6	FPCC	Kristin Pink	PRM
3/30/2018	Friday	Tinley Park High School Prairie	Unit 1	SW	56.6	FPCC	John Pellegrino	TRM
4/2/2018	Monday	Bobolink Meadows	Killdeer Wetlands	SW	35.3	Contract	Doug Short	NRM
4/20/2018	Friday	Bobolink Meadows	Killdeer Wetlands	SW	65	Contract	Doug Short	NRM
4/21/2018	Saturday	Tinley Creek	Bobolink L&WR	SW	175	Contract	Doug Short	NRM
4/23/2018	Monday	Tinley Creek	Bobolink L&WR	SW	85.6	Contract	Doug Short	NRM
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3/21/2018	Friday	Spring Creek Headwater - WF Unit 2	Pizzo Report indicated 3/23, active fire ext NE & East	NW	40.4	Contract	Dave Paddock	Pizzo
4/30/2018	Monday	Bluff Spring Fen NP	NWRM met with Elgin FP, Drone assessment for containment. ComEd was notified Hazards mitigated.	NW	14.3	FPCC	Elliot Medina	NWRM
5/3/2018	Thursday	Glenwood Woods South	East of Thorn Creek.	South	16.3	FPCC	Report - Nick Malor	TRM
5/8/2018	Tuesday	Black Partridge Woods Nature Preserve	Primarily Downed Wood adjacent lot. Contained.	SW	<1	FPCC	Report - Kristin Pink	PRM



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