

WILDFIRE REPORT FOR APRIL 14, 2016

Last week 63 wildfires burned 96 acres in [DNR Protection Areas](#); half of the fires were caused by debris burning. Twenty one homes and 15 other buildings were threatened by wildfires, but saved by fire suppression actions. Snow and rain will alleviate fire danger temporarily in parts of the state that receive precipitation. However, this time of year there is still a great deal of dead vegetation that dries out quickly and is available fuel for a wildfire. Low relative humidity, warm temps, and gusty winds quickly drive up the fire danger. Stay aware of fire danger and burning restrictions by calling 1-888-WIS-BURN (947-2876) or check online at dnr.wi.gov, keyword "fire". Enter keyword "[ember](#)" to watch a four-minute video with footage from the 2013 Germann Road Fire that burned 7500 acres and 23 homes in northwest Wisconsin.

Firewise Tip: As turkey hunting season approaches, hunters are reminded to be extra cautious with anything that can start a wildfire when you're outdoors. Be especially mindful of the weather. A warming or cooking fire on a windy day can quickly become an out of control wildfire.