

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

2012-04 Wildfires SITUATION REPORT 9 - FINAL 1500 20 April 2012

Summary: Combination of dry fuels, gusty winds, low relative humidity values, warm temperatures, and no precipitation lead to four consecutive days of Red Flag Warnings and elevated fire danger threats across Virginia during period April 8 through April 18. Virginia experienced a rash of wildland fires on private lands and National Forest Service lands. Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOP) reports 124 fires burned approximately 643 acres on private lands, over 124 homes/structures were protected and 12 homes/structures were damaged. Six large fires burned National Forest Service land and private land and were designated Easter Complex. Easter Complex fires are 100% contained.

Easter Complex fires acreage burned

Fire	Location	National Forest land	Private land	Total
Allegheny Tunnel	Allegheny County	7,548	3,833	11,381
Barbours Creek	Allegheny & Craig Counties	7,174	177	7,351
Shipwreck	Page County	3,190	527	3,717
Rich Hole	Allegheny/ Rockbridge Counties	14,960	494	15,454
Porter Mills	Bath County	878	1	879
Wolf Gap	Shenandoah County	755	0	755
		34,505	5,032	39,537

VEOC Status: Routine Operations

U.S. Forest Service (USFS)

- Regional Incident Management Team transitioned control of Easter Complex fires back to local districts in George Washington and Jefferson National Forests Thursday morning, April 19
 - Resources from 29 states returned on April 19

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