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The Long Lake Wildfires Remain Uncontrolled

Air And Ground Crews Work Tirelessly

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USPA NEWS - The Long Lake wildfires complex is stll out of control, estimate remains at 8234 hectares. There are no new reports of damage to homes or other structures.

Air and ground crews continue to work diligently to limit growth, particularly on the flanks. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Ontario incident management teams are facilitating a seamless transition today to enable our DNR staff to receive a well-deserved break.

The strategic deployment of heavy machinery is vital in the fight against wildfires. Professionals from sectors such as forestry and road construction leverage these machines to create dozer guards. By clearing vegetation and debris, they establish expansive paths of bare soil, starving the fire of combustible materials. Dozer guards act as containment barriers, slowing or halting the spread of fires and enabling firefighters to access the area safely while protecting adjacent communities.

Resources deployed include aerial assets of 11 helicopters, six planes, and bird dogs, Ground personnel consist of 12 Department of Natural Resources (DNR), 89 Ontario, and 70 local firefighters, along with more than 70 heavy equipment operators.

This remains an active fire scene, and it is currently unsafe for property owners, insurance professionals, or other services to enter the area. Our crews will continue to execute their mission to protect Nova Scotians, their homes, and our forests by tirelessly combating this fire until it is fully extinguished.

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