

# Fire Situation Report – October 31, 2016

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry - Forestry Services



## PROTECTION AREA STATISTICS\* for Reporting Period 0800 thru 0800, 10/28/16 thru 10/31/16

NE Area – 0 fires  
EC Area – 4 fires burned 256 acres (Causes: 3-Incendiary; 1-Equipment)  
SE Area – 0 fires

Large Fire Activity within the Protection Area: Sardis Fire (Latimer County) – 250 acres

Fire Activity with OFS Response outside the Protection Area:

- OFS East Central Area provided support to 1 fire that burned 30 acres in Pittsburg County

OFS Prescribed Fire Activity:

No Activity

\* Protection Area Statistics do not reflect local fire department's fire run information. Statistics are for the ODAFF-Forestry Services' fifteen county Fire Protection Area in eastern Oklahoma unless otherwise noted in the Discussion section of this report.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS\*\* from [www.firereporting.ok.gov](http://www.firereporting.ok.gov) recorded on 10/28/16 thru 10/31/16

- No fire reports entered during the reporting period

\*These statistics are from Fire Departments that have recorded their information on the Oklahoma, Forestry Services web-based Fire Reporting System. Totals do not reflect the total acres burned or total number of fires that have occurred in Oklahoma.

### Statewide Discussion:

Although several fires were noted in media coverage, no requests for State assistance were received during the reporting period.

**Fire danger will be highest in the area west and north of a line from Woods County to Washita County to Beckham County.** In this area this afternoon the weather forecast calls for southwest winds in the 10-15 mph range with gusts up to 35 mph. Relative humidity is expected to drop into the upper teens in the Panhandle to the low 30% range near the Woods County to Washita County line. Temperatures are forecast to reach into the mid-80s to low 90 degree range. Any fire starting this afternoon in the area described above has the potential to burn very intensely with rapid rates of spread.

Good humidity recovery in cured fine fuels occurred in nearly the entire state of Oklahoma. Wildfire activity will be possible in the Panhandle after 10 a.m. this morning as humidity drops and increasing wind speeds will dry fine fuels to the point that they will be available to support combustion. The remainder of the area above and the rest of Oklahoma will see conditions favorable for wildfire after 12 p.m. Initial attack efforts have a high probability of success under today's forecast weather conditions.

**No Burn Bans are presently active.** For the most current information on Burn Bans click on the following link: <http://www.forestry.ok.gov/burn-ban-information>

**Remember... ONLY YOU can prevent wildfires! Enjoy Oklahoma's wildlands responsibly.  
Report any suspicious wildland fire activity on the  
Arson Tip Line: 1-866-662-7766 (1-866-NO ARSON).**

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