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Long Lake Fire Update

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USPA NEWS - Dozer guards and hose lines are some of the many wildfire suppression methods used by DNR firefighters as they battle the Long Lake wildfires in Annapolis County.

Update as of 0800, Thursday, August 21, 2025.
The Long Lake wildfires complex has maintained its current size and status, with identical ground and air resources allocated this morning. Crews are progressing satisfactorily with dozer guards around the northern border to safeguard homes against Hurricane Erin. To date, no damage to homes has been reported.

1pm, Thursday, update:
The Long Lake wildfires complex has maintained its current size/status. This afternoon, the same ground & air resources are being utilized. Crews are making steady progress on dozer guards around the northern border to safeguard homes ahead of hurricane Erin's arrival. Fortunately, no reports of damage to homes have been received.

The current firefighting personnel comprise 52 individuals from the Department of Natural Resources, 44 local firefighters, 22 from Ontario, and five from PEI. Additional Ontario firefighters are set to arrive today.

As of 18:14 on Thursday, the DNR and Long Lake fire update reports that the fire size and status remain the same. Crews are nearing completion of dozer guards around the northern border of the Long Lake wildfires complex, aiming to safeguard homes ahead of Hurricane Erin's arrival. Fortunately, there have been no reports of damage to homes. The firefighting personnel on scene include 52 DNR members, 44 local firefighters, 22 Ontario-based firefighters, and 5 firefighters from PEI. Additional firefighters from Ontario arrived tonight, with more expected to arrive tomorrow. The helicopters deployed on scene include 1 206, 1 AStar, and 3 Bell 212. Moreover, two tanker groups with "Bird Dogs" are on scene, comprising a CL415 group from Manitoba and an 802 group from NWT. A 205 helicopter arrived tonight.

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