

# Long-Term Goals

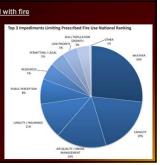
- Fire-dependent landscapes are effectively managed with fire
- · What's being burned, trends over time • Full picture of needs & focal areas

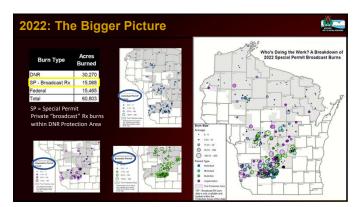
#### Remove barriers to increasing Rx fire across WI

- Signal strength (influence) in numbers
- Future Co-op/PBA formation
- "Learn to burn" for beginners

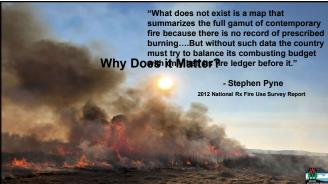
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 Burn Boss mentorship opportunities Addressing liability concerns

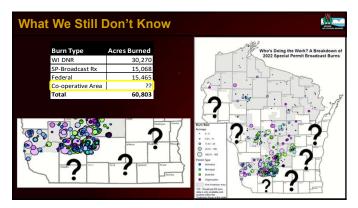




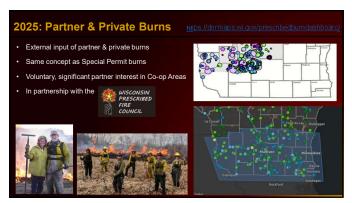
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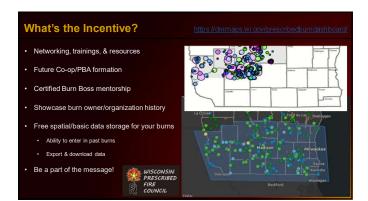










# Wisconsin Certified Burn Boss Program

## Intent: Recognize burn bosses who have:

- Achieved a higher level of experience and training
- Demonstrated their proficiency in moderate-level complexity burns
- Maintained a safe track record of prescribed burns





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## Pathways to Certification

- 1. NWCG Training Courses (outlined in draft package)
- 2. Current DNR Burn Boss (WRXB) Certification
- 3. WDNR/WPFC approved training courses
- Draft curriculum designed by UW-Stevens Point Fire Program with input by WPFC & WDNR

Each training pathway requires accompanying proof of required experience prior to certification by the DNR.

Experiences must show a candidate's ability to safely conduct a moderate level prescribed burn.



# Wisconsin Certified Burn Boss Program

Benefits to DNR & Fire Departments:

- Recognition of Certified Burn Bosses as experienced, safe, reliable vs first-time or one-time burners
- Establishes a statewide training program to increase the number of *trained* individuals leading *safe* prescribed burns.
- Provides instant background information for decision-making on borderline fire weather days
- Provides a constant, consistent standard recognized in both Protection & Cooperative Areas





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