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Subject: VDOF wildfire update - injury report

A VDOF County Technician was burned over on a wildfire in Buckingham County early this afternoon and needed to be medivaced to UVA. He was constructing dozer line on the head of a major fire in 9-10 year pine plantation when the fire intensity increased and overran his dozer. He is still in the emergency room at UVA but will soon be transferred to the ICU. He suffered 2nd and 3rd degree burns on his neck, thighs and hands.

The Buckingham County fire was the most significant fire of the day. It is currently estimated at 400 acres but is not yet contained. The fire is located just west of Highway 15 near the community of Gold Hill. 5 dozers, an agency helicopter, several engine and numerous local fire departments are on scene. A small Incident Management Team was dispatched this afternoon to assist with the operations. Scattered light rain has helped agency firefighters to get a handle on some of the larger blazes from the last two days. Only the Stone Face fire in Lee County saw active fire operations throughout today.