

MISSISSIPPI FORESTRY COMMISSION



- 796 **wildfires** suppressed
- 11,204 acres burned
- 1,654 structures saved
- **Community Involvement**
 - 49 VFA grants with a total value of \$207,500 distributed to local **Volunteer Fire Departments**.
 - \$59,299 distributed through the **Urban & Community Forestry** Challenge Grant Program.
 - 161,798 people reached through community **outreach** education programs.
 - 51% return on investment (ROI) yielded for every dollar appropriated to the MFC. Funds benefit Mississippi's **school children** and **volunteer firefighters**.*

*ROI calculated by combining School Trust Land timber sale revenue (directly invested into local school districts) & the acquisition cost of volunteer firefighting equipment (issued to local Volunteer Fire Departments) statewide.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR STATE (by the numbers) FY18

\$10.28
million

School Trust Land timber sale revenue - directly invested into local school districts.

\$12.79
billion

Forest Industry's Economic Impact in the state of Mississippi.

\$1.92
million

Cost-share funding distributed to private forest landowners.



\$10.3 million
in **wildland firefighting equipment** issued to local Volunteer Fire Departments.

almost
70,000
full & part-time jobs in Mississippi are forestry-related.