

# LANDFIRE 2023 Data Call



Dear Partners and Stakeholders,

It's that time of year again to remind stakeholders of an important data contribution opportunity to the LANDFIRE program. LANDFIRE (LF) is an interagency vegetation, fire, and fuel characteristics mapping program sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service (USFS) and the Department of the Interior (DOI) (<https://landfire.gov>). To ensure LF products are current to support landscape assessment, analysis, and management decisions, LF relies heavily on data contributions from federal, state, local, private, and non-profit land managers.

## Data Submission Deadline

LF has transitioned to annual updates and needs as much time as possible to process data. **LF is asking for data to be submitted or available in database systems by October 31<sup>st</sup>.**

The focus of this data call is to collect fiscal year 2023 disturbance and treatment activities (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2023). **Please make every effort to have your FY 2023 data accessible to LF by October 31, 2023.** Data accessibility may include entering data into online databases/Systems of Record (SOR) so it can be obtained by LF. For more information visit [https://www.landfire.gov/participate\\_refdata.php](https://www.landfire.gov/participate_refdata.php). Data submitted after the deadline will be used if schedules allow. All data contributions must meet LF Requirements. Data submissions and questions can be sent to Brenda Lundberg, LANDFIRE Reference Data Administrator, [blundberg@contractor.usgs.gov](mailto:blundberg@contractor.usgs.gov).

## Disturbance/Treatment Date or Fiscal Year Required

LF has transitioned to processing data by fiscal year and now requires **disturbance/treatment date or fiscal year** to be included with all data submissions. Month, day, and year for the start and end dates of the disturbance or treatment are preferred.

## LANDFIRE Data Needs:

- **Primary focus - Polygon Disturbance and Treatment Activities that occurred in FY 2023**

LF uses recent disturbance and treatment data to help attribute a disturbance cause to image-based change detections and update map layers in areas where vegetation and fuel have changed. Examples of these types of data are listed in Table 1. Requested attributes (required, recommended, and optional) are listed in Table 2. For more information visit: [https://www.landfire.gov/participate\\_contribute.php](https://www.landfire.gov/participate_contribute.php).

- **Secondary focus – Vegetation/Fuel Plot Data**

LF relies on plot data for training sites for mapping. For more information visit [https://www.landfire.gov/participate\\_plot.php](https://www.landfire.gov/participate_plot.php).

LF welcomes feedback information on current products. Submit feedback through the LF helpdesk at <https://www.landfire.gov/contactus.php>. Additional information about submitting feedback can be found at [https://landfire.gov/participate\\_feedback.php](https://landfire.gov/participate_feedback.php).

## Data Contributions and Thanks:

LF acquires data from websites and agency database systems/Systems of Record (SOR). For a list of these sources, see the "Website Agency DB" spreadsheet at [https://www.landfire.gov/participate\\_refdata\\_sub.php](https://www.landfire.gov/participate_refdata_sub.php).

For a list of past data contributions and to ensure your data have been received and incorporated in the LF database, see the "Compiled Data" spreadsheet at [https://www.landfire.gov/participate\\_refdata\\_sub.php](https://www.landfire.gov/participate_refdata_sub.php).

LF thanks those who have contributed data in the past and LF is again asking for your help to enhance and improve LF products through your contributions.

Table 1: Disturbance/ Treatment Type	Table 2: Requested Attributes
<b>Disturbance Types</b>	<b>Required</b>
Wildfires	Disturbance/Treatment Type
Weather Damage	Disturbance/Treatment Date
Insect/Disease	
Development	<b>Recommended</b>
<b>Treatment Types</b>	Severity
Harvest/Thinning	<b>Optional</b>
Mechanical	Disturbance/Treatment Name
Prescribed Fire	Reporting Agency
Seeding/Planting	Notes
Chemical	