



## PERQUIMANS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES

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### PRESS RELEASE – Sharps Lane Wheat Field Fire

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On Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at approximately 1:00 p.m. the Perquimans County 911 Center received a call for a combine fire located on Sharps Lane. The combine fire had been extinguished prior to the arrival of first responders, but a field of wheat was ablaze. NC Forestry, Fire Department personnel and neighbors with tractors were able to contain the fire by plowing a fire line and implementing a controlled burn. All total NC Forestry estimated approximately 27 acres of woods and farmland were involved in this fire.

The following agencies responded: Hertford Fire Department, Belvidere Fire Department, Winfall Fire Department, Perquimans County EMS, Perquimans County Sheriff's Office, and the NC Forestry service providing both ground crews and aerial observation.

There were no injuries reported during this incident.

Chief Woodard with Hertford Fire Department provided Incident Command per established National Incident Management System (NIMS) guidelines.

