

MO grass fire battled Thursday

(KAIR)--No major injuries are reported following a grass fire that spread Thursday afternoon, near Sugar Lake, in Buchanan County Missouri, as strong winds blew, helping to spread the flames.

KQ2-TV, citing the Missouri State Highway Patrol, says the fire was reported around 1:45 Thursday afternoon, leaving emergency crews battling the fire, while others assisted area residents with evacuation of their homes.

KMBC-TV, citing the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office, reports that the fire was ultimately contained, with one firefighter requiring treatment for smoke inhalation, and four homes damaged by the fire.

Although an exact cause of the blaze is not immediately confirmed, current weather conditions make outdoor burning dangerous, with Red Flag Warnings put into place by the National Weather Service, and outdoor burning bans implemented in local counties, including Atchison.

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