



EARLY ACTION PROTOCOL ANNUAL REPORT

Chile | Wildfires

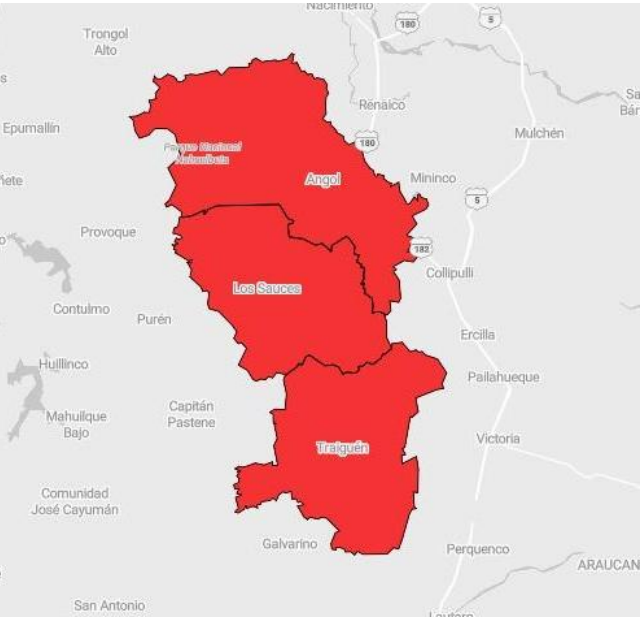
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EAP No.: SEAP2024CL01	Operation No.: MDRCL018	Reporting period covered: 12/02/2025 to 31/12/2025
EAP Approved 12/02/2025	EAP Timeframe 2 years	

Annual budget: 79,938 CHF
Total EAP budget: 219,997 CHF

EARLY ACTION PROTOCOL SUMMARY



The IFRC’s Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) has allocated 219,997 CHF for the implementation of anticipatory actions to reduce and mitigate the impact of wildfires in Chile.

This Early Action Protocol includes an allocation of 42,885 CHF for prepositioning stock and conducting annual preparedness activities to implement early actions, provided that the trigger is reached.

The initial actions to be carried out were previously agreed with the National Society and are described in the Early Action Protocol summary.

This report summarizes the annual preparedness and prepositioning activities carried out during the reporting period, and includes any changes made to

the initially agreed plan.

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL PROGRESS BY ANTICIPATED OPERATION

 Risk Reduction, Climate Adaptation, and Recovery	Prepositioning budget:	Actual prepositioning:
	40,898 CHF	38,402 CHF
	Readiness budget:	Actual readiness:
	0 CHF	0 CHF
Preparedness Activities: - Updating the database of secondary sources collected from technical and scientific entities and SINAPRED. A community-level database exists at local and regional levels, mainly based on operational coordination for the EAP; however, it required further targeting of stakeholders considering the intervention territory. - Strengthening volunteer capacities in anticipatory action, early warning monitoring, and climate weather forecasting through training sessions. A total of 59 volunteers were trained with a regional applicability approach focused on wildfire risks in the following regions: - La Araucanía: 6 volunteers (Purén, Angol, Traiguén, Collipulli branches) - Atacama/Coquimbo: 23 volunteers (La Serena and Coquimbo branches) - Metropolitan Region: 14 volunteers (Esmeralda/Colina branch) and 16 volunteers (Melipilla branch)		

Prepositioning Activities:

Progress was made in the procurement and prepositioning of supplies, including the assembly of firebreak and evacuation kits. This involved:

- Market studies
- Requests for quotations
- Establishment of agreements with suppliers

These steps enabled the identification of the best commercial options. The kits include:

- Tools for building firebreaks
- Adaptable evacuation backpacks
- First aid kits and medical supplies

This ensured communities had adequate material resources in case of protocol activation.

This process was complemented by the preparation of logistical and financial documentation (requisitions and budget tracking plans), ensuring transparency and proper resource management.

 Multipurpose Cash	Prepositioning budget:	Actual prepositioning:
	0 CHF	0 CHF
	Readiness budget:	Actual readiness:
	1,938 CHF	0 CHF

As part of the preparation process for the cash transfer programme, coordination meetings were held with the Regional Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) team to adapt self-registration and multi-purpose tools. However, these activities are currently on hold due to the need for funding to implement Red Rose and AccessRC systems.

No progress has been made in this sector, as it corresponds to early action stages intended to cover transportation and storage needs during preventive evacuations. As of December 2025, no actions have been implemented in this area. This remains a prioritized early action pending implementation.

 Community Engagement and Accountability	Prepositioning budget:	Actual prepositioning:
	910 CHF	3,000 CHF
	Readiness budget:	Actual readiness:
	3,003 CHF	4,000 CHF

Preparedness Activities:

- Context analysis and identification of key actors within communities.
- Coordination meetings were held with regional committees to prepare upcoming awareness phases of the Wildfire EAP.

These meetings took place:

- November 2025: Araucanía, Atacama, Coquimbo
- December 2025: Biobío-Ñuble and Los Ríos
- Work was carried out with suppliers to procure audiovisual materials and services, strengthening operational capacity.
- A pocket version of the Wildfire EAP was developed between September and November 2025 to transform the technical document into a practical and accessible tool for community dissemination.

This included:

- Selecting and condensing key content
- Prioritizing essential information for quick understanding and field application

As of the reporting cut-off date, this pocket version had not yet been distributed to communities. Activities and distances were longer than expected thus reallocations among AP have been done hence the difference in the actual figures.

Enabling Approaches

 Coordination and Partnerships	Prepositioning budget:	Actual prepositioning:
	0 CHF	0 CHF
	Readiness budget:	Actual readiness:
	485 CHF	121 CHF

Preparedness:

- Initial coordination meetings were held with community leaders and local actors to present the simplified Wildfire EAP.
- Agreements were signed with:
 - The Chilean Meteorological Directorate
 - CONAF

These agreements ensured access to key climate information and strengthened inter-institutional cooperation.

- A formal meeting was held with SENAPRED authorities to present the protocol for the wildfire season, including a humanitarian diplomacy approach from the National Society. The contribution of the Chilean Red Cross was well received.
- Inter-institutional partnerships were strengthened with:
 - CONAF
 - MeteoChile
 - CR2
 - CIGIDEN

Scientific and technical data were integrated to strengthen the protocol.

Link: [Cruz Roja Chilena y CONAF firman convenio de colaboración para la prevención y respuesta ante incendios forestales - Cruz Roja Chilena](#)

 National Society Strengthening	Prepositioning budget:	Actual prepositioning:
	1,018 CHF	448 CHF
	Readiness budget (CHF):	Actual readiness:
	58,149 CHF	29,150 CHF

Preparedness:

Initial socialization and coordination of the simplified Wildfire EAP. This included:

- A headquarters meeting to present the protocol and discuss key guidelines
- Meetings with regional committees to define responsibilities and identify target communities
- Meetings with regional directors to validate the strategy and strengthen implementation
- Additional training on anticipatory action was delivered to representatives from prioritized regions.

Seven volunteers participated, receiving training on:

- Early action approach
- Protocol activation logic
- Practical field implementation tools

Prepositioning:

- Purchase of uniforms, visibility materials, and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for volunteers and staff.
- This activity was completed 100%, ensuring safe conditions for field operations

CHALLENGES, LESSONS LEARNED, AND PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS

Challenges were identified related to the integration of anticipatory actions into the risk management cycle, which hinders coordination with actors of the national civil protection system led by SENAPRED. This further complicates coordination with municipalities and with SENAPRED's regional services, resulting in a significant communication gap. This situation is also influenced by the centralization of technical information in Chile's capital. In addition, at the local level, territorial organization limited community access, which affected several preparedness actions that required local coordination.

Regarding the challenges faced, difficulties were identified in coordination with regional directorates, mainly due to low participation resulting from incompatible work and volunteer schedules. Corrective measures included holding individual meetings with regional directorates to ensure coordination and advance in defining target communities; however, during the initial phase it was not possible to achieve 100% regional coordination.

From a financial perspective, difficulties arose in procurement logistics due to the limited availability of suppliers to compare prices and quality products. Progress in purchasing was delayed for the prepositioning phase,

ultimately taking place in January, representing a one-month delay compared to the planned seasonal timeline.

Finally, lessons learned during the first year of EAP implementation highlight the need for earlier planning, supported by a regional operational structure and continuous monitoring of preparedness and prepositioning timelines. Additionally, as part of the process, clearer guidance from Movement components is required, prioritizing operational support from technical areas related to early action protocols in the region.

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of the 2025 reporting period, a total of CHF 75,121 has been spent for the implementation of readiness, pre-positioning, and early action activities. This represents approximately 94 per cent of the annual budget of 79,938 CHF.

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Reference

Click here for:

[EAP Summary and Budget](#)

MDRCL018 - Chile - Wildfire sEAP

Operating timeframe: *Start date: 13-Feb-2025 End date: 31-Jul-2026*

Appeal launch date: *20-Feb-2025*

I. Summary

	Actual (CHF)
Opening Balance	0
Funds & Other Income	219,997
DREF Response Pillar	219,997
Expenditure	-95,097
Closing Balance	124,900

II. Expenditure by planned operations / enabling approaches

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
PO01 - Shelter and Basic Household Items			
PO02 - Livelihoods			
PO03 - Multi-purpose Cash	83,937		83,937
PO04 - Health			
PO05 - Water, Sanitation & Hygiene			
PO06 - Protection, Gender and Inclusion			
PO07 - Education			
PO08 - Migration			
PO09 - Risk Reduction, Climate Adaptation and Recovery	48,013	70,115	-22,102
PO10 - Community Engagement and Accountability	3,913	7,455	-3,542
PO11 - Environmental Sustainability			
Planned Operations Total	135,863	77,570	58,293
EA01 - Coordination and Partnerships	1,106	128	978
EA02 - Secretariat Services	18,222	13,658	4,564
EA03 - National Society Strengthening	52,347	3,741	48,606
Enabling Approaches Total	71,676	17,527	54,148
Total	207,539	95,097	112,441

III. Expenditure by budget category & group



DREF Operation

Interim Report (CHF)

Date from: 13 Feb 2025 to 31 Dec 2025

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
Operational Forecasting		0	0
Cash Disbursement	1,365		1,365
Relief items, Construction, Supplies	1,365		1,365
National Staff	16,744	5,509	11,235
Personnel	16,744	5,509	11,235
Travel	1,173		1,173
Financial Charges	306	1,348	-1,042
General Expenditure	1,478	1,348	131
National Society Expenditure	178,340	75,121	103,219
Contributions & Transfers	178,340	75,121	103,219
Programme & Services Support Recovery	9,611	5,804	3,807
Indirect Costs	9,611	5,804	3,807
Shared Office and Services Costs		7,316	-7,316
SOSC Allocations		7,316	-7,316
Total	207,539	95,097	112,441