

## Tern Cargo Bikes to Support Wildfire Rapid-Response Operations

Cargo bikes provide a new tool for fighting Europe's increasingly frequent wildfires



June 2, 2026 – Urban mobility specialist, Tern Bicycles, has donated Quick Haul electric cargo bikes to International Disaster Response Germany (@fire) for reconnaissance and rapid-response operations during wildfires and in other disaster-affected areas. The donation was made through Tern's philanthropic Good Werx program.

“Wildfires are one of the most visible consequences of climate change, and @fire’s volunteers are doing important work under increasingly difficult conditions,” said Josh Hon, Tern Team Captain. “Our cargo bikes are designed and tested to safely carry heavy loads in challenging conditions, and we’re encouraged to see

organizations like @fire explore how they can support disaster-response operations.”

## Why the Tern Quick Haul

Wildfire conditions can shift rapidly and without warning. Roads that are accessible one moment may become blocked by smoke, debris, or fallen trees only minutes later, making reconnaissance and rapid situational awareness especially important.

Quick Haul P9 cargo bikes can support @fire responders conducting field assessments in areas where larger vehicles may struggle to operate. Fitted with a set of panniers, the bikes can carry radios, first-aid supplies, flashlights, water, and other essential field gear while traversing terrain more quickly

Compact and easy to transport, the Quick Haul can be rapidly deployed by van, trailer, or even helicopter into disaster-affected areas with damaged or limited infrastructure.

## Wildfire Response a Growing Challenge in Europe

According to the European Commission’s Joint Research Centre (JRC), 2025 was the European Union’s worst wildfire year on record. Through April of this year, 81,610 hectares had already been affected by fires, 35% above the 20-year average.

“As wildfires become larger and more complex, having a broader range of response tools gives our teams more flexibility in the field,” said Florian Jerge, Team Leader @fire. “Adding small, nimble vehicles that can carry essential equipment is especially helpful when scouting locations that are difficult to access.”



## About @fire

Founded in 2002, @fire is a non-profit, non-governmental relief organization providing rapid emergency aid internationally following natural disasters. Responders are specially trained in wildland firefighting and urban search and rescue. All work is carried out on a voluntary basis, and is financed entirely by donations.

## About Tern's Good Werx Program

Tern believes making bikes is about building a better future. So Tern donates at least 1% of net profits each year to organizations advancing positive social and environmental change through the Good Werx Program.

Learn more:

- [@fire](#)
- [Tern Good Werx Program](#)
- [2025 was EU's most destructive wildfire season on record](#)
- [Current wildfire situation in Europe](#)

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