Wildfire Recovery Update

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The Oregon Office of Emergency Management, in coordination with state and federal partners, distributes this update of collated and verified information on Oregon’s wildfire recovery efforts.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Many Oregonians are in need of resources as they grapple with the effects wildfires had on their communities throughout the state. The Oregon Office of Emergency Management, in collaboration with our federal, state, local and tribal partners, is working to provide the resources you need all in one place to aid in your recovery efforts. Below, you’ll find a list of information to help in your recovery process. For more information go to wildfire.oregon.gov.

HUMAN IMPACTS

Confirmed fatalities: 9
Source: Oregon State Medical Examiner

Missing persons: 1
Source: Law Enforcement Data System (LEDs)

Sheltered persons: 1,866
  Outdoor Congregate: 98
  Non-Congregate: 1,768
Source: American Red Cross

Individual Assistance Registrants:

20,976

Assistance Approved: $19.8 million
Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency

DAILY STATS

Acres burned (approx.): 1.2 million
Source: Oregon Department of Forestry

Residences destroyed: 4,003
Source: OEM Planning Section

Other structures destroyed: >1,400*

Source: Integrated Reporting of Wildland-Fire Information (IRWIN)
  * Approximate

NEED TO KNOW

Oregonians impacted by the recent wildfires may be interested in Oregon Lifeline, a federal and state government program that provides discounted phone or high-speed internet service to qualifying low-income households. Oregon Lifeline is currently offering a monthly discount up to $21.75 through December 2020. Oregon Lifeline also offers free cell phone and data service from Access Wireless, Assurance Wireless, or enTouch. For additional information about the Oregon Lifeline program, call 1-800-848-4442, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., or view details online.

Gates, Ore. - October 1, 2020, Photo by Patsy Lynch/FEMA

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RESOURCES FOR WILDFIRE SURVIVORS

If you suffered property or job loss due to the recent wildfires you may find the links below useful in your recovery efforts. Federal funds are available to help eligible wildfire survivors in Clackamas, Douglas, Jackson, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Tillamook, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill counties.

Financial and personal resources:
- FEMA’s Help After a Disaster Brochure (produced in 27 languages)
- Apply for federal disaster aid even if you are insured
- Disaster unemployment assistance (deadline Oct. 23, 2020)
- How to get your vital records replaced
- Avoid fraud and scams. Available in English and Español
- Voting information
- Small business navigator
- Food Assistance

Property owner resources:
- Returning to your home after wildfires
- Assistance with hazardous waste removal and cleanup
- Post wildfire cleanup
- Well water information
- Filing a homeowner claim following a fire
- Wildfire insurance resources
- Find utilities that serve your property
- Taxpayer relief for wildfire survivors
- Property taxes
- Replanting after a fire

INFORMATION RESOURCES

Active fire dashboard
Oregon Wildfire News
Sign up for Individual Assistance
Emergency management websites by county
Oregon Insurance Commissioner

NOTE: This publication is released Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Check wildfire.oregon.gov or visit our Twitter or Facebook pages for additional updates.