



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Wildfire Response & Recovery Update

September 15, 2020

The Oregon Office of Emergency Management, in coordination with the Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon State Fire Marshal, Oregon State Police and other state and federal partners, will distribute this daily update, collating verified information on the wildfire response.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Fire crews and first responders continue to prioritize protection of life and property, while support for evacuees and recovery efforts are underway. Evacuation orders continue to change as fire activity and containment levels fluctuate. The entire town of Paisley is under a Level 3 evacuation notice, with all of Jackson County under some level of evacuation notice. Air quality is expected to remain hazardous along the I-5 corridor at least through Thursday, when wind off the coast is expected to improve conditions.

HUMAN IMPACTS

Confirmed fatalities: 8

Source: Oregon State Medical Examiner

Missing persons: 16

Source: Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS)

Sheltered persons: 3,185

Congregate: 755 | Non-Congregate: 2,430

Source: American Red Cross

DAILY STATS

Acres burned (approx.): 1 million

Source: Oregon Department of Forestry

Residences destroyed: 1,145

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

Other structures destroyed: 579

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

NEED TO KNOW

Since yesterday, the State Medical Examiner determined two previously reported fatalities were unrelated to the fires, reducing total fatalities from ten to eight. Both were identified as animal remains.

Starting today, operations related to mass fatalities management have been consolidated to a single mobile morgue. All subject matter expertise related to the examination of deceased individuals recovered from the wildfires will be located here. This group's mission is timely identification of deceased individuals and reunification with family as well as accurate reporting of mortality data.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

[Active fire dashboard](#)

[Oregon Wildfire News](#)

[Wise Giving Guide/Guía Entrega Sabio](#)



Conditions on OR 22 east of Salem to Detroit on Sept. 14, 2020.