



OREGON OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Wildfire Response & Recovery Update

September 23, 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

With favorable conditions helping firefighters to strengthen containment lines on fires across Oregon, statewide efforts are transitioning toward recovery. State and federal agencies represented on the Housing Task Force and the Debris Management Task Force are actively addressing concerns regarding short and long-term housing, hazardous waste and debris management to help displaced residents.

For wildfire information and resources visit wildfire.oregon.gov.

HUMAN IMPACTS

Confirmed fatalities: **9**

Source: Oregon State Medical Examiner

Missing persons: **5**

Source: Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS)

Sheltered persons: **2,669**

Congregate: 468 | Non-Congregate: 2,201

Source: American Red Cross

Individual Assistance Registrants: **4,258**

Assistance Approved: \$7.04 million

Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency

DAILY STATS

Acres burned (approx.): **1 million**

Source: Oregon Department of Forestry

Residences destroyed: **2,284**

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

Other structures destroyed: **1,575**

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

NEED TO KNOW

Housing Task Force

The task force is focused on temporary housing solutions while examining long-term options for residents displaced by the fires. The goal is to ensure every Oregonian who evacuated has a safe place to stay.

Debris Management Task Force

This task force is led by the Oregon Office of Emergency Management, Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Transportation. In coordination with federal partners, this team is working with counties to develop and implement a process for large-scale assessment and removal of household hazardous waste and debris. The priority is to keep residents from the affected communities safe throughout the recovery process.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

[Active fire dashboard](#)

[Oregon Wildfire News](#)

[Sign up for Individual Assistance](#)

[Emergency management websites by county](#)

wildfire.oregon.gov

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fire.info@state.or.us
503-378-7872

SIGN UP FOR ASSISTANCE!



www.DisasterAssistance.gov



1-800-621-3362

1-800-462-7585 TTY

Individual assistance is available to people impacted by fires in Clackamas, Douglas, Jackson, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, and Marion counties.

Public assistance is available in Benton, Clackamas, Columbia, Coos, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Tillamook, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill counties for publicly owned infrastructure impacted by the wildfires.

What if I have insurance?

FEMA may be able to provide assistance to individuals or households who have insurance. While FEMA assistance cannot duplicate benefits for losses already covered by insurance, they may be able to help with any uninsured or underinsured losses.

Contact your insurance agent to file a claim as soon as possible. FEMA may be able to provide some assistance if your insurance settlement is delayed, is insufficient to meet your disaster-caused needs, or if you have exhausted the additional living expenses provided by your insurance company.

Once you apply, you have up to 12 months to submit insurance information for review.

Sign up for assistance at www.DisasterAssistance.gov.



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