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D. Harris Conflagration update

The D Harris Fire began yesterday 8/19/2010 in the Juniper Flat Fire Protection District. At present, members of the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office Red Incident Management Team are assessing the extent of the fire and reports of destroyed structures.

The fire is located approximately five miles southwest of the City of Maupin, Oregon and estimated to be 3,800 acres. However, a more accurate estimate will be available later in the day.

The fire is burning in grass, juniper, and pine tree stands with dramatic rates of spread yesterday afternoon due to warm temperatures, low humidity, and gusty winds. Weather for today is expected to produce similar conditions as Thursday.

Residents in Maupin are on a level 1 evacuation alert advising them to prepare for possible evacuation should conditions worsen.

The Oregon State Fire Marshal Office Red Incident Management Team is assigned to the incident and has assumed Command early Friday morning. Task Forces from Hood River, Multnomah, and Washington counties are assigned to the incident.

The structural incident command post and base camp is located at Maupin High School. The incident information officer will be making contact with members of the community today to address any concerns.

Additional resources on surviving wildfires may be accessed at:

- ***Wildfire...Evacuation Readiness***
http://egov.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Comm_Ed/WUI/wildfire_evac.doc

- *After the Wildfire...*

http://egov.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Comm_Ed/WUI/After_a_wildfire.doc

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