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Governor Kulongoski Invokes Emergency Conflagration Act in Response to Microwave Fire

Fire near Mosier threatens approximately 40 homes covering 650 acres of land

Salem – This afternoon Governor Ted Kulongoski invoked the Emergency Conflagration Act in response to the fire near Mosier in Wasco County.

In accordance with ORS 476.510-476.610, the Governor determined that a threat to life, safety, and property exists due to the fire and that the threat exceeds the fire-fighting capabilities of local fire-fighting personnel and equipment.

By invoking the Emergency Conflagration Act, the Governor ordered the Oregon State Police and the Oregon State Fire Marshall to mobilize fire resources statewide and coordinate with all appropriate Fire Defense Chiefs for the use of personnel and equipment to suppress and contain the fire.

“This fire has continued to grow and threaten both life and property throughout the Mosier area, which is why I have directed all available state resources to help contain this fire,” said Governor Kulongoski. “I want to make sure that this community has every resource necessary to fight this fire and protect the safety of citizens in Wasco County.”

The fire, which has burned approximately 650 acres, and is 0 percent contained.

This emergency is declared only for the microwave fire near Mosier and is effective immediately.