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PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO IMMINENT THREAT OF WILDFIRE

Pursuant to ORS 401.055, I find that the State of Oregon is in a critical fire danger situation. The state is experiencing record high heat and record low humidity and the current weather forecast calls for dry lightning in many parts of the state. These weather conditions, combined with the existing shortage of statewide resources to fight fires, require a concerted and coordinated state response. Therefore, I hereby declare a statewide State of Emergency due to the imminent threat of significant wildfires.

These findings were made at 1:35 p.m. on July 21, 2006, and I now confirm them with this Executive Order.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Department of State Police, through the Office of Homeland Security (which includes the Office of the State Fire Marshal and the Office of Emergency Management), is authorized to coordinate the use of personnel and equipment from all state agencies to perform any activity designed to prevent or mitigate loss of life or property due to wildfires in Oregon. This includes, but is not limited to, use of the resources of the Oregon Military Department.

2. This emergency is statewide, but this declaration is limited to the use of state and National Guard resources for fire management required by the emergency. Requests for state resources from local governments must be submitted through county governing bodies to the Office of Emergency Management in the same manner as required for other emergencies.

3. This Order shall remain in effect until the threat is significantly relieved, the fire season ends, or I expressly rescind this Order.
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This order was made by verbal proclamation at 1:35 p.m. on the 21st day of July, 2006 and signed this 21st day of July, 2006, in Salem, Oregon.

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GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE