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INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE DRY GULCH FIRE IN BAKER COUNTY

Pursuant to my authority as Governor of the State of Oregon, I find that:

The fire known as the "Dry Gulch Fire" is burning in Baker County.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the Dry Gulch Fire is beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by Travis Hampton, Baker County Fire Defense Board Chief. The State Fire Marshal concurs with that request.

In accordance with ORS 476.510-610, I have determined that a threat to life, safety, and property exists due to a fire known as the Dry Gulch Fire in Baker County and the threat exceeds the firefighting capabilities of local firefighting personnel and equipment. Accordingly, I have invoked the Emergency Conflagration Act.

These findings were made at 12:25 p.m. on September 14, 2015, and I now confirm them with this Executive Order.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED:

1. The Oregon State Police and the Office of State Fire Marshal shall mobilize fire resources statewide and coordinate with all appropriate Fire Defense Chiefs for the use of personnel and equipment in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act to suppress and contain this fire. Resources responding to Dry Gulch Fire, burning near the towns of Pine Valley and Eagle River may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.

2. This emergency is declared only for the Dry Gulch Fire threatening structures in Baker County near the town of Halfway.
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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 12:25 p.m. the 14th day of September, 2015, and signed this 30th day of September, 2015, in Salem, Oregon.

Kali Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Jeanne P. Atkins
SECRETARY OF STATE