EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17-17

INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE MILLI FIRE IN DESCHUTES COUNTY

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

The fire known as the "Milli Fire" is burning in Deschutes County.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the Milli Fire is beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by the Central Oregon Multi-Agency Coordination Center. The State Fire Marshal concurs with that request. At the time of this declaration, 434 structures are threatened by the fire and are on Level 2 evacuation notice, and 218 structures are threatened and on Level 1 notice. Over 1000 citizens are affected by the fire at this time, and the area is also within the Total Solar Eclipse Path of Totality.

In accordance with ORS 476.510-476.610, I have determined that a threat to life, safety, and property exists due to a fire known as the Milli Fire in Deschutes 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 9:06 a.m. on August 17, 2017, 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 Milli Fire, burning near Sisters and Camp Sherman, may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.

2. This emergency is declared only for the Milli Fire threatening structures in Deschutes County near Sisters and Camp Sherman.
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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 9:06 a.m. the 17th day of August, 2017, and signed this 30th day of August, 2017, in Salem, Oregon.

4. This order shall remain in effect for as long as the Office of State Fire Marshal believes resources should be deployed. It shall expire by September 15, 2017, unless otherwise extended by the Governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 30th day of August, 2017.

Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Dennis Richardson
SECRETARY OF STATE