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INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE EAGLE CREEK FIRE IN HOOD RIVER AND MULTNOMAH COUNTIES

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

The fire known as the "Eagle Creek Fire" is burning in Hood River and Multnomah Counties.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the Eagle Creek Fire are beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by Jim Trammel, Hood River County Fire Defense Board Chief, and Tom Williams, Multnomah County Fire Defense Board Chief. The State Fire Marshal concurs with their requests.

In accordance with ORS 476.510 et seq., I have determined that a threat to life, safety, and property exists due to a fire known as the Eagle Creek Fire in Hood River and Multnomah 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 2:44 p.m. on September 3, 2017 (Hood River County), and 10:23 a.m. on September 4, 2017 (Multnomah County), 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 Eagle Creek Fire, burning near the town of may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.

2. This emergency is declared only for the Eagle Creek Fire threatening structures in Hood River County near the town of Cascade Locks, and in Multnomah County near the towns of Bridal Veil and Corbett.
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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 2:44 p.m. the 3rd day of September, and 10:23 a.m. the 4th day of September, 2017, and signed this 16th day of September, 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 October 1, 2017, unless otherwise extended by the Governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 16th day of September, 2017.

Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Dennis Richardson
SECRETARY OF STATE