EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18-13

INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE
SUBSTATION FIRE IN SHERMAN AND WASCO COUNTIES

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

The fire known as the “Substation Fire” is burning in Sherman and Wasco Counties.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the Substation Fire is beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by Sherman County Fire Defense Board Chief Glenn Fluhr, Wasco County Fire Defense Board Chief Robert Palmer, and the Wasco County Commissione’s. The State Fire Marshal concurs with that request.

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 Substation Fire in Sherman and Wasco Counties 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 10:21 p.m. on July 17, 2018, 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 Substation Fire may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.

2. This emergency is declared only for the Substation Fire threatening structures in Sherman and Wasco Counties.
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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 10:22 p.m. the 17th day of
July 2018 and signed this 26th day of July, 2018, in Salem, Oregon.

4. This order will remain in effect until the Office of State Fire Marshal has
demobilized all OSFM resources off this incident.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 76th day of July, 2018.

Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Dennis Richardson
SECRETARY OF STATE