



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18-17

**INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE
SOUTH VALLEY FIRE IN WASCO COUNTY**

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

The fire known as the "South Valley Fire" is burning in Wasco County.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the South Valley Fire are beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by Chief Palmer, Wasco County Fire Defense Board Chief. 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 South Valley Fire in Wasco 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 5:16 p.m. on August 1, 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 South Valley Fire, burning near the town of Dufur, may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.
2. This emergency is declared only for the South Valley Fire threatening structures in Wasco County.



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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 5:16 p.m. the 1st day of August 2018 and signed this 7th day of August, 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 7th day of August, 2018.



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Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Dennis Richardson".

Dennis Richardson
SECRETARY OF STATE