



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-51

**INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR THE
SOUTH OBENCHAIN FIRE IN JACKSON COUNTY**

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

The fire known as the “South Obenchain Fire” is burning in Jackson County.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from the South Obenchain Fire are beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by the Jackson County Fire Defense Board and the State Fire Marshal concurs with that request.

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 South Obenchain Fire in Jackson 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 6:35 pm on September 8, 2020 with Office of State Fire Marshal 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 Board Chiefs for the use of personnel and equipment in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act to suppress and contain this fire. Resources responding to the South Obenchain Fire may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.
2. This conflagration is declared only for the South Obenchain Fire threatening structures in Jackson County.
3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 6:35 pm the 8th day of September 2020 and signed this 25th day of September, 2020, in Salem, Oregon.



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4. This order is in effect as of this date and until which time the Office of State Fire Marshal has demobilized all OSFM resources off this incident.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 25th day of September, 2020.

Handwritten signature of Kate Brown in black ink.

Kate Brown
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Bev Clarno in blue ink.

Bev Clarno
SECRETARY OF STATE

