



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-19

INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR PORTIONS OF THE TYEE RIDGE COMPLEX IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

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

The fires that threaten communities within the “Tyee Ridge Complex” are burning in Douglas County.

The resources necessary for protecting life and property from fires near communities within the Tyee Ridge Complex are beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by the Douglas County Fire Defense Board Chief 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 the fires within the Tyee Ridge Complex threatening homes and property in Douglas 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 7:28 p.m. on August 25, 2023. The Oregon State Fire Marshal is mobilizing resources to the command of the local Fire Defense Board Chief for the fires near communities within the Tyee Ridge Complex. The Red Incident Management Team will enter into unified command on the morning of August 26, 2023 for fires threatening the built environment within the Tyee Ridge Complex. I now confirm these findings with this Executive Order.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED:

1. The Oregon 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 fires threatening communities within the Tyee Ridge Complex may be redistributed by the State Fire Marshal.
2. This conflagration is declared only for the fires within the Tyee Ridge Complex threatening structures in Douglas County.



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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 7:28 p.m. on August 25, 2023, and signed on September 5, 2023, in Salem, Oregon
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 5th day of September, 2023.

Tina Kotek
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
SECRETARY OF STATE