

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 22-13

DETERMINATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY IN COLUMBIA, CLACKAMAS, CROOK, CURRY, DESCHUTES, DOUGLAS, GILLIAM, GRANT, HOOD RIVER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOSEPHINE, KLAMATH, MARION, MORROW, MULTNOMAH, POLK, SHERMAN, UMATILLA, UNION, WALLOWA, WASCO, WASHINGTON, WHEELER, AND YAMHILL COUNTIES DUE TO EXCESSIVE HIGH TEMPERATURES CAUSING A THREAT TO LIFE, HEALTH, AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Pursuant to ORS 401.165, I find a potential threat to life, safety, property, and significant impacts to infrastructure exists due to excessive high temperatures in Columbia, Clackamas, Crook, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Hood River, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Klamath, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco, Washington, Wheeler, and Yamhill Counties. Beginning July 25, 2022, and expected to continue through July 30, 2022, these excessively high temperatures are placing a significant burden on local and tribal jurisdictions to provide for the health and safety of their residents. Heat watches, warnings, and advisories have been issued by the National Weather Service throughout the state. Multiple days of extreme heat with little or no cooling overnight may also impact critical infrastructure, causing utility outages and transportation disruptions.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM) shall activate the State's Emergency Operations Plan and shall coordinate access to and use of personnel and equipment of all state agencies necessary to assess, alleviate, respond to, mitigate or recover from conditions caused by this emergency. OEM shall coordinate all essential protective measures in support of identified disaster areas to protect lives, property, and the environment.
2. The Oregon National Guard, Oregon Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority, Oregon State Police, Oregon Department of Transportation, the Oregon Public Utility Commission and other state agencies are directed to provide any assistance as requested by OEM that is deemed necessary to assist in the response to this emergency and to provide all necessary support to statewide response, recovery, and mitigation efforts.



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3. This determination of emergency is not to be construed as a comprehensive declaration or proclamation of emergency for other purposes. It is limited to the use of state resources and personnel required by this emergency, to request assistance through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact if needed, and to allow state agencies to suspend provisions of any order or rule of the agency if strict compliance with the provisions of the order or rule would in any way prevent, hinder or delay mitigating the effects of the wildfire emergency. Any local government requests for state resources must be submitted through county governing bodies to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management pursuant to ORS Chapter 401.
4. This state of emergency is effective as of 12:01 a.m. on July 25, 2022, and shall exist for seven days, expiring at 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2022, unless terminated sooner by the governor.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 25th day of July, 2022.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE