

Oregon Wildfire & Electric Collaborative Workshop #9

Tue., April 9, 2024 1:30-3:30 pm Zoom Meeting

Forest Practices and Wildfire Mitigation – Successes and Opportunities

<u>Agenda</u>

1:30 pm Welcome and Overview

1:40 pm 2024 Fire Season Outlook

Levi Hopkins, Wildfire Prevention and Policy Manager, ODF

1:50 pm Vegetation Management Program Updates – What's new? What's working? What needs further development?

- Midstate Electric Tom Weller, Engineering Manager & Brian Sharr, Operations Manager
- PacifiCorp Brian King, Director of Environmental and Vegetation Management
- Portland General Electric Alex Konopka, Sr. Manager, Vegetation Management

2:30 pm Q&A and General Discussion

- For electric utility staff:
 - Have you found approaches that work well in your area?
 - What issue has your utility made the most progress on in recent years?
 - What element of vegetation management continues to take more time/effort than you think it should?
- For land managers:
 - How can electric utilities collaborate better to manage vegetation risk during extreme conditions? What about during "normal" activities?
 - Are there barriers this set of stakeholders can mitigate with alternative approaches?

3:20 pm Closing Remarks

• Are there topics you'd like discussed at future OWEC workshops?