

# Public Engagement on Statewide Wildfire Hazard Map

## Purpose

Engage residents in their communities where the largest number of high hazard properties exist, or specific local concerns have been identified through prior public input and county meetings required under Senate Bill 80.

The focus is encouraging one-on-one or small group conversations between residents and program representatives to answer questions about the map and associated wildfire programs. This is also an opportunity to establish the broader context of Oregon's statewide wildfire programs modernization initiative.

## Participants

The events are a resource-fair-style open house with each agency staffing a table with representatives ready to answer questions about their agency's portion of the wildfire programs modernization initiative.

Each agency and the Wildfire Programs Advisory Council will have its own table provided (six total). Agencies need to provide their own tablecloths, handouts and display materials.

**Legislation, administrative rules and appeals: Oregon Department of Forestry**—address questions on administrative rules and hazard level assessment appeals. Handout on appeals process.

ODF—in partnership with other participants—will also produce a standard resource handout that will outline agency responsibility and include agency logo and a QR code directed to agency wildfire content websites. ODF will provide printed stock for each table at each event.

**Hazard mapping: Oregon State University**—address questions on wildfire hazard science, statewide data sources, and map details. Handout(s) on wildfire hazard science and mapping.

**Defensible space: Oregon State Fire Marshal**—address questions regarding defensible space standards, code adoption process and implementation. Handout(s) on defensible space and assessment sign-up forms.

**Home hardening: Building Codes Division**—address questions on home hardening construction standards, related code provisions, and implementation. Handout(s) on home hardening.

**Insurance: Division of Financial Regulation**—address questions on home insurance market and requirements of insurers under Senate Bill 82 (2023). Handout(s) on insurance market.



**Statewide policy direction: Wildfire Program Advisory Council**—address questions on statewide policy direction for wildfire programs and council business.

Local elected officials will be introduced during opening comments but will not have designated tables.

## Locations

- Redmond—June 3, Deschutes County Fairgrounds
- La Grande—June 4, TBD
- Medford—June 17, Padgham Pavilion, Jackson County Fairgrounds
- Grants Pass—June 20, Floral Building, Josephine County Fairgrounds
- Klamath Falls—June 24, Hall 2, Klamath County Event Center
- The Dalles—July 1, TBD

## Event Run of Show

- Each open house will occur from 7-9 p.m.
- Agency presenters need to arrive 2 hours early to set up information tables.
- Draft agenda
  - Opening comments and a walk-through of pixel-level maps for the county based on input previously received and proposed rule changes (10 minutes)
    - » Property tax lot hazard classification won't be available at these events
  - Introductions of agency staff available to address questions along with general topic areas each table can address (5 minutes)
  - Attendees may interact with agencies at their tables throughout the remainder of the event.
- Visitors may stop in at any point during the event. The introduction may be helpful, but not necessary for community members to get their specific questions addressed.

