

Oregon Wildfires

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Press Release from Governor's Website on 06/16/2026

Governor Kotek Declares State of Emergency Due to Imminent Threat of Wildfire — *“Salem, OR — Today, Governor Tina Kotek declared a state of emergency due to the imminent threat of wildfire. This order shall remain in effect until either the threat is significantly relieved, the fire season ends, or December 31, 2026.*

Governor Kotek issued the following statement:

“Increasing heat, dry vegetation, and shifting winds continue to align and create dangerous conditions that demand immediate action. I am declaring a State of Emergency to ensure all available resources – firefighting crews, aerial support, ground resources, and emergency personnel are prepared for deployments – to protect people, property, and our natural landscapes.

“I urge all Oregonians to be alert and follow the instructions and evacuation levels issued by emergency officials, subscribe to emergency alerts on [ORAlert.gov](#), have an evacuation plan, prepare a go-kit, and stay aware of changing conditions.

“Throughout the summer, it will get hotter and drier. Oregon has record-setting low snowpack and nearly half of our counties are facing persistent drought conditions. On average, 70% of wildfires in Oregon are human-caused. Prevention starts with every Oregonian – at home, at work, and out and about enjoying our great state.”

A link to Executive Order 26-10 can be found [here](#).

Under ORS 401.165, Governor Kotek determined that the State of Oregon is at imminent risk of a critical fire danger situation, threatening life, safety, and property because of continued warm and dry conditions. To date in 2026, the state has experienced 414 fires that have burned approximately 8,077 acres, with multiple fires causing localized evacuations.

This declaration ensures that the state’s primary fire agencies, the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and the Oregon Department of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) have access to the available resources necessary to fully execute their wildfire suppression missions to protect lives, property and the environment.

This declaration directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM) to activate the State’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and coordinate necessary access to use of personnel and equipment of all state agencies necessary to assess, alleviate, respond to, mitigate, and recover from conditions caused by this emergency. All Oregonians are to heed the direction of emergency officials with regard to this emergency to protect their safety.

The Oregon National Guard may deploy, and re-deploy, firefighting resources as requested by ODF through Operations Plan Smokey 2026, for the remainder of the fire season based upon threat and resource shortfalls.

In conformance with the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, any local or tribal government request for state resources must be submitted through county or tribal governing bodies to OEM.

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American Red Cross

Northwest Oregon Chapter (Regional Headquarters)
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Portland, OR 97227
(503) 284-1234

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Cascades Region

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Central and Eastern Oregon Red Cross

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Bend, OR 97702

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72B Centennial Suite 200

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Please see the following link for the most updated information on available shelters:

[Disaster Shelters | Find Shelters | American Red Cross.](#)

Department of Transportation

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355 Capitol Street NE, MS 11

Salem, OR 97301

(888) 275-6368

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United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at [Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211.](#)

[Find Your Local UW | United Way Worldwide](#)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362

[FEMA.gov](#)

Please visit the website and click on “*Disaster Declarations*”. If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: [Individual Assistance | FEMA.gov](#) to apply online.

DisasterAssistance.gov

[Home | disasterassistance.gov](https://disasterassistance.gov)

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: [Search Your Location | FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov/search/location)

American Red Cross National

(800) 733-2767

[American Red Cross | Help Those Affected by Disasters](https://www.redcross.org/help-those-affected-by-disasters)

National Weather Service

Weather alerts by state are available at: [Active Alerts \(weather.gov\)](https://www.weather.gov/alerts).

The Weather Channel

Local forecasts and severe weather.

[National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The Weather Channel and weather.com.](https://www.weather.com)

Safe Travel USA

[SafeTravelUSA](https://www.safe-travel.com)

National Traffic And Road Closure Information

[National Traffic and Road Closure Information | Federal Highway Administration \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/traffic/closures/)

Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at <https://www.liveandworkwell.com>.