



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13-07

DETERMINATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY DUE TO EXTREME FIRE

Pursuant to ORS 476.510 through 476.610, I find that an extreme fire has caused and immediately threatens to cause local adverse natural and economic disaster in conditions in Josephine County. The conditions have resulted in loss of structures and vehicle, voluntary evacuations of one town, threats to additional structures, and broad impacts to timber lands.

The high temperatures and erratic winds caused the fire to grow quickly. Approximately 500 acres were burned. Professional and volunteer firefighters are to be commended for their fire defense efforts and success in limiting damages and protecting life and property under challenging conditions.

The conditions resulting from the Pacifica Fire threaten significant economic loss to Josephine County, as well as to the county's agricultural and natural resource land bases.

A timely response to this situation is vital to the well being and economic security of the citizens and businesses in the region. I am therefore declaring a state of emergency in Josephine County and direct the following activities:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. The Oregon State Fire Marshall shall activate an Incident Management Team to deploy Command and General Staff elements to the fire.
2. The Oregon State Fire Marshall shall activate all necessary Task Forces to assist with containment.
3. All other departments are directed to coordinate with the above agency and to provide appropriate state resources as determined essential to assist affected political subdivisions in Josephine County.



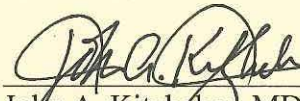
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This emergency is declared only for Josephine County and expires on December 31, 2013

This order was made by verbal proclamation at 5:17 p.m. the 19th day of July, 2013.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 25 day of July, 2013.





John A. Kitzhaber, MD
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



Kate Brown
SECRETARY OF STATE