

ABOUT THE OSFM

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MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Our Mission	To protect people, property, and the environment from fire
Our Vision	A prepared, protected, and resilient Oregon.
Our Values	Integrity : We believe in being honest, fair, and doing the r
	Dedication : We are committed to performing our work th mission, our customers, our stakeholders, the public, and
	Leadership : We are committed to be a leader in the Orego organization, and lead ourselves as individuals in our day t
	Partnerships : We believe our success and the success of o with our stakeholders.

Service to Others: We believe that serving others is a cornerstone of our mission, our day to day work and is all inclusive.



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right thing in everything we do.

he best we can in support of our each other.

gon fire service, to lead our to day work.

others depends on collaboration



AGENCY DIVISIONS OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL



Regulatory Services Fire & Life Safety Education Fire & Life Safety Services

Administration, Finance, & Budget

Emergency Response Services



SIGNIFICANT INITIATIVES OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Becoming a New Agency.

Senate Bill 762 authorized the OSFM to:

- Increase field staff for community risk reduction and modernize wildfire response
- Develop defensible space standards for Oregon
- Design and implement incentive programs to boost capacity and reduce risk
- Modernize response tools, such as pre-positioning and immediate response, outside of formal conflagration declarations
- Durable funding for Responses and capacity for the Oregon Fire Service- up staffing and engine program



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EMERGENCY RESPONSE DIVISION OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL



- Oregon Fire Mutual Aid System Incident Management Teams Fire Service Investments Hazardous Material Programs

fire agency boundary

92% of Oregonians live within a local



2024 WILDFIRE SEASON OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL



17 conflagrations 27 Immediate Response & Pre-Positioning assignments





FIRE SEASON COMPARISON OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL







OUT OF STATE MOBILIZATIONS OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

OSFM & EMAC

- National Emergency Management System
- Payments through state emergency
 management Agencies

Hurricane Response- Helene North Carolina

• 8 Incident Team Management staff

January California wildfires

- 21 Taskforces
- 370 firefighters
- 105 engines & water tenders





REGULATORY SERVICES OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Community Right to Know (CR2K)

- 13,232 facilities reporting substances
- 1,538 facilities with Extremely Hazardous Substance

Fireworks

Liquefied Petroleum Gas

Cardlock

Self-serve gasoline





REGULATORY SERVICES OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

- Federal Emergency Planning & Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA)
- OSFM is the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)
 - SERC Executive Committee reconvened in Nov 2024. 19 voting members
 - Guide and assist the SERC and LEPCs implement EPCRA







ANALYTICS & INTELLIGENCE OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Provide actionable data to improve public safety and prevent firerelated fatalities, injuries, and economic loss.

Core Functions:

- Program evaluation, forecasting, and predictive analytics.
- Interactive dashboards for trend analysis and decision-making.
- Risk reduction modeling using machine learning.
- Open data initiatives for transparency and accessibility.

Tools and Innovations:

- Fire Fatality Risk Map for injury risk probabilities.
- Oregon Community Risk Assessment Fire Tool (OrCRAFT) for structure fire risks.
- Public dashboards for data transparency.





FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Statewide programs for fire prevention education and community wildfire risk reduction.

Approach:

- Community Risk Reduction (CRR) strategies.
- Promote behavior change through education and awareness.

Impact Goals:

- Reduce life loss, injuries, and property damage.
- Build fire resilient communities.



COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION PROGRAMS OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Smoke & CO Alarms Program:

- 2024: 19 agencies participated; 629 alarms distributed.
- Classes for real estate/property managers: 13 classes, 231 attendees.

Fire & Fall Prevention for Older Adults Program:

- Focus: Empowering independent older adults.
 - Home Escape Planning materials and training.
- NFPA "Steps to Safety" Train-the-Trainer Program.

Top Fire Causes Program:

- Supports agencies addressing cooking, heating, and electrical fire risks.
- 25 agencies piloting educational kits.





KEEP YOUR STOVETOP **CLEAN** AND **CLEAR** OF ANYTHING THAT CAN CATCH FIRE.





COMMUNITY WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy:

- Fire-adapted communities.
- Resilient landscapes.
- Enhanced wildfire response capacity.

Accomplishments:

- Delivered 3 wildfire mitigation courses to 90 attendees
- \$1.1M invested in fire adaptation projects

Local Success Stories:

- Rufus, Sherman County: \$35K micro-grant for defensible space projects.
- Oakridge, Lane County: \$200K grant enabled 1st Fire Safe Council in Oregon.





FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY SERVICES **OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

- Provide technical expertise to Oregon fire agencies
- 366 total fire investigations to determine cause and origin
- 5,000 fire and life safety inspections
- 200 CMS surveys
- 1,200 code-related inquiries







FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DIVISION OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Defensible Space Program

- Offers free assessments
 - 2,825 completed
 - 430 assessors representing 97 agencies trained
 - Provide guidance to homeowners on best practices

OREGON DEFENSIBLE SPACE & BEST PRACTICES

Trees and vegetation should be 10 feet from powerlines.

Trees and vegetation should be 10 feet from buildings and chimneys.

For trees and vegetation more than 18 feet tall, remove branches six feet from the ground.

> For trees and vegetation less than 18 feet tall, remove branches up to 1/3 the height of the tree.

Trees and vegetation should be 10 feet from other trees.



Removing or trimming trees near powerlines is dangerous. Only use an experienced, licensed contractor to perform this work.



2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Agency Priorities

Agency Bills

- SB 860: OSFM authorities
- SB 861: Mob. Fund updates
- SB 862: 2522 Taskforce Recs.
- SB 863: Mob. cost recovery

Wildfire Funding Workgroup **Early Session** – 2025 upstaffing

GRB Highlights

- \$106.3 million total funds
- 160 positions

Agency POPs

- Self-serve
- Enhance CRR program
- Mutual Aid Tracking System, Agency IT needs





PATH FORWARD OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL



- **1. Stabilize Mobilization Funding**

- **5. Increase Workforce Capacity**

2. Protect Oregon's Most Vulnerable **3. Invest in Education Programs** 4. Modernize Systems & Programs



THANK YOU



