

ROGUE VALLEY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY (UNPROTECTED LANDS)

INCIDENT NAME:
DATE AND TIME:

The Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office (OSFM Team –) is assigned as the Incident Commander for the _____ Fire located on lands without structural fire protection and, as such is subject to the Authority of _____ County Board of Commissioners. The _____ County Board of Commissioners Designate the Rogue Valley Fire Defense Board Chief _____ with the authority to represent them for this Incident.

The Incident Commander (IC) has the full authority and responsibility for managing the fire suppression activities within the framework of law provided by the State Fire Marshal and at the direction provided by the Fire Defense Board Chief.

Unprotected lands are defined as those lands that under direct threat by fire within the _____ Fire burning in _____ County. At the Incident Commanders discretion, and as is deemed operational sound, this delegation can be extended to include other potentially threatened structurally unprotected lands.

The IC's primary responsibility is to organize and direct all assigned structural resources for safe, efficient and effective fire suppression in or around structures. The IC will be in Unified Command mode with the Oregon Department of Forestry Type __ Team or Incident Management Team(s) as assigned. The IC will be accountable to the Fire Defense Board Chief or designated representative listed in this delegation.

Specific direction for this incident is as follows;

1. Provide for a safe work environment for all personnel. Compliance with the "10 Standard Fire Orders" are to be followed, never bent or compromised. The "18 Watch Out Situations" shall be mitigated before engagement can begin and "LCES" (lookouts, communications, escape routes, safety zones) will be practiced.

2. Maintain good interagency cooperation with all agencies participating in this incident which includes but is not limited to:
 - Oregon Department of Forestry
 - Both Public and Private Structural Fire Agencies
 - Oregon State Fire Marshal
 - Law Enforcement Agencies
 - _____ County Emergency Management
 - County Level Agencies
3. Integrate your Team into the Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team and support them in co-locating functional areas of responsibility and specifically in accomplishing their objectives.
4. Document damage to structures and improvements caused by the fire by producing maps, photographs and narratives detailing what damage occurred.
5. Document damage caused by suppression resources, which should include photographic documentation. Initial notification of this type of damage shall be made to the Fire Defense Board Chief or Designee of within 12 hours of the damage occurring.
6. Provide for situation reports to the Fire Defense Board Chief, County Emergency Manager, Cooperating Agencies or others.
7. Consult with the Fire Defense Board Chief before resources are demobilized.
8. Design and implement a method for the immediate transfer of information as to changes in evacuation areas to the Fire Defense Board Chief and to the County EOC/Central Dispatch Center. This information should also include a process for the County Dispatch Center to notify the Team of possible threats to structures when reports are taken from citizens.
9. Integrate those resources listed in the In-Briefing Document as part of the Oregon State Fire Marshal Incident Management Team.
10. Provide a process for Close-Out of this document and transfer of Command back to Josephine County and/or local Oregon Department of Forestry and/or affected structural agency.
11. Meet other conditions/expectations outlined in the Agency Administrator Letter of Intent (if applicable). check if attached

The Fire Defense Board Chief/_____ County Designees will:

1. Provide an In-Briefing Document containing the specific information needed to ensure a successful transition in command (maybe in cooperation with RVFCA IMT transition team).
2. Provide Jurisdiction maps.
3. Attend Planning Meetings.

_____ **County Board of Commissioners (or County Administrator):**

Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Signature _____ Date/Time: _____

Rogue Valley Fire Defense Board Chief or Designee:

Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date/time: _____

Agreed to by OSFM Agency Representative:

Signature: _____ Date/Time: _____

Agreed to by OSFM Incident Commander:

Signature: _____ Date/Time: _____

Transfer of Command effective date and time _____