



# Oregon

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*Premier Public Safety Services*

Union Pacific (UP), Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF), and Portland and Western (P&W) railroads have committed to collaborate with the Oregon State Fire Marshal (OSFM) in order to support increased safety preparedness. In addition to the cooperation with the OSFM role as designated in House Bill 3225, the railroads will provide the following support:

### **Equipment:**

Seven regional support flatbed trailers, six from UP and one from BNSF, each with Alcohol Resistant Film Forming (ARFF) foam totes. The trailers will be owned by UPRR and BNSF respectively, and will remain in the railroad's inventory. A Memorandum of Understanding between the state and the railroads will designate roles (i.e. insurance, maintenance), and state that OSFM has full control of equipment, including decisions on staging, training, drills and general use.

The ARFF trailers will be placed throughout the state in locations that may include:

- Klamath Falls
- Hermiston
- Eugene
- Ontario
- Salem
- Portland (one new trailer and access to one additional trailer already in circulation)
- A 7<sup>th</sup> location to be determined

### **Training:**

UP will fund 40 scholarships for Oregon first responders (20 in 2015 and 20 in 2016) to attend Crude Oil by Rail training at the Transportation Technology Center in Pueblo. Up to 20 "Pueblo" training scholarships will be funded by BNSF.

OSFM will help local first responders make arrangements to attend Pueblo training.

BNSF hazmat department will also coordinate with OSFM and provide the use of training props, other equipment, and technical assistance for regional response trainings in various regions across Oregon. This will provide critical support in the state, as many local area first response units do not have the budget for the travel, overtime, or backfill costs associated with attending training in Pueblo.

P&W will provide location to conduct regional crude oil by rail incident response training.

UP will conduct four table top drills annually at sites selected by OSFM.

All railroads will continue ongoing collaboration with the OSFM for the development of further state training and response preparedness.