



GOVERNOR'S WILDFIRE PRIORITIES

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SOURCES OF THE STRATEGY

1. National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy
2. Governor's Council on Wildfire Response (2019)

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON WILDFIRE RESPONSE

On January 30, 2019, Governor Brown signed an executive order creating the Governor's Council on Wildfire Response.

The Council was tasked with review of Oregon's current model for wildfire prevention, preparedness and response, analyzing whether or not the current model is sustainable given our increasing wildfire risks.

Topics to be considered include, but are not limited to:

1. Funding for wildfire response
2. Response to fires on protected, under-protected, and unprotected lands
3. Wildfire smoke
4. Assisting communities affected by wildfires
5. Prevention, treatment and cost containment of wildfires

The recommendations were presented to the Governor and to the Senate Committee on Wildfire Prevention and Response in November of 2019, and the full report is available on the [Council's website](#).

LC 467 WILDFIRE: FIRE-ADAPTED COMMUNITIES

Sections creating Fire-Adapted Communities

1. Utilities
2. Insurance
3. Defensible Space
4. Land Use
5. Health Systems for Smoke
6. Emergency Response and Disaster Recovery
7. Public Education

LC 467 WILDFIRE: RESILIENT LANDSCAPES

Sections creating Resilient Landscapes

1. Restoration prioritization
2. Restoration Capacity
3. Federal Partnership
4. Resiliency Goal

LC 467 WILDFIRE: SAFE AND EFFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sections advancing Safe and Effective Response

1. Forest Financial Oversight

Approach to Safe and Effective Response

1. Investments in staff positions at ODF and OSFM
2. Investment in Severity Resources
 - Contract capacity for next generation air tanker
 - Positioning and support for air resources

PRIORITIES AND QUESTIONS?

- The Governor prioritizes investing in all three elements of wildfire response, in accordance with the National Strategy.
- If priority investments are made in December, they can have an impact on preparedness in the 2021 fire season.
- Questions?