



COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM OVERVIEW & UPDATE

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OREGON'S WILDFIRE POLICY EVOLUTION

2013

**Wildfire
Protection Act**

2015

**Funding
Working Group**

2019

**Wildfire Council
Established**

2021

**Senate Bill 762
Signed into Law**

2022

**ODF Fire Funding
Task Force**

2023

**House Bill 2522
Senate Bill 80
House Bill 4133**

2024

Budget Note 5

Reshaping the conversation

- Wildfire Response
- Resilient Landscapes
- Fire Adapted Communities



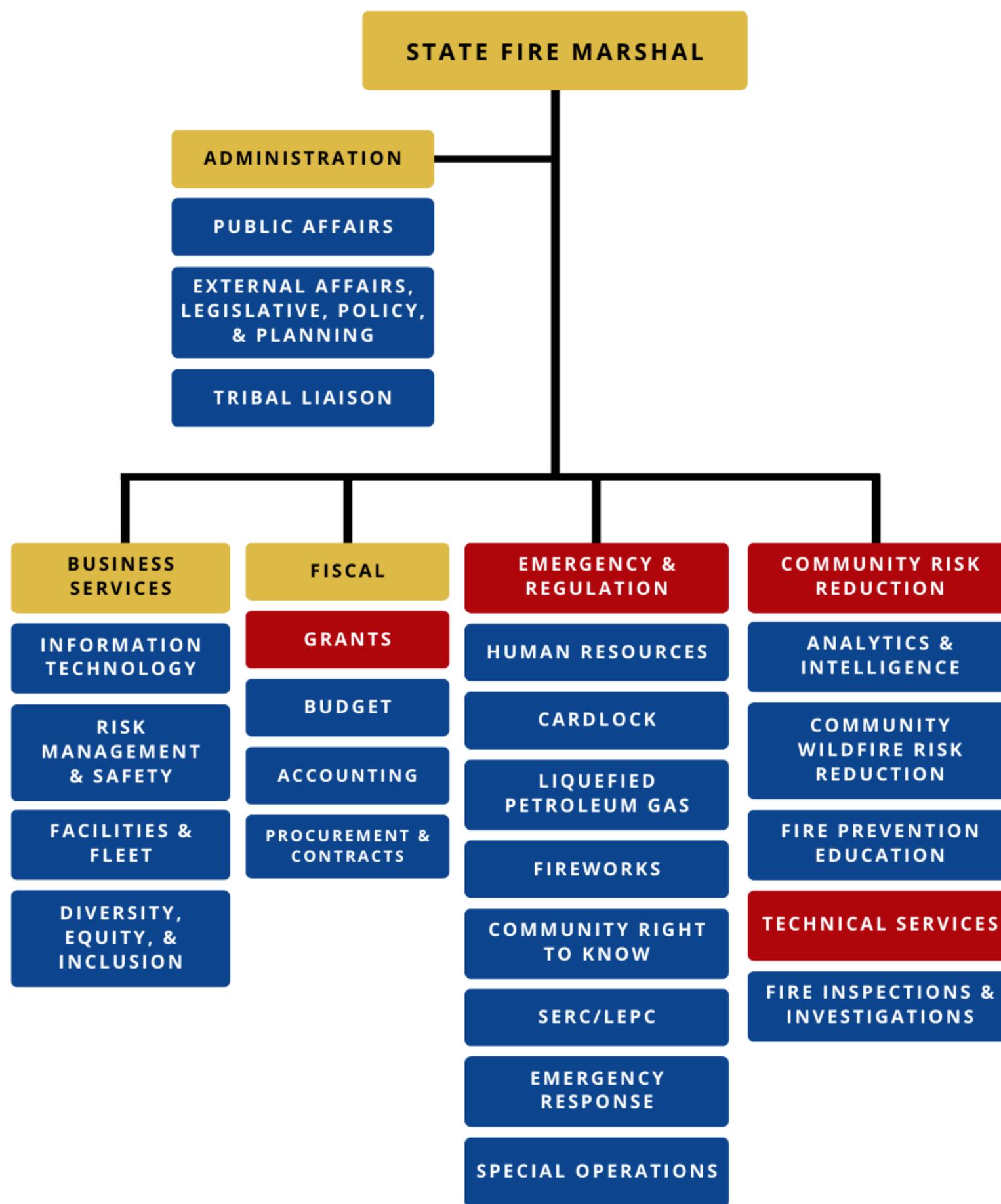
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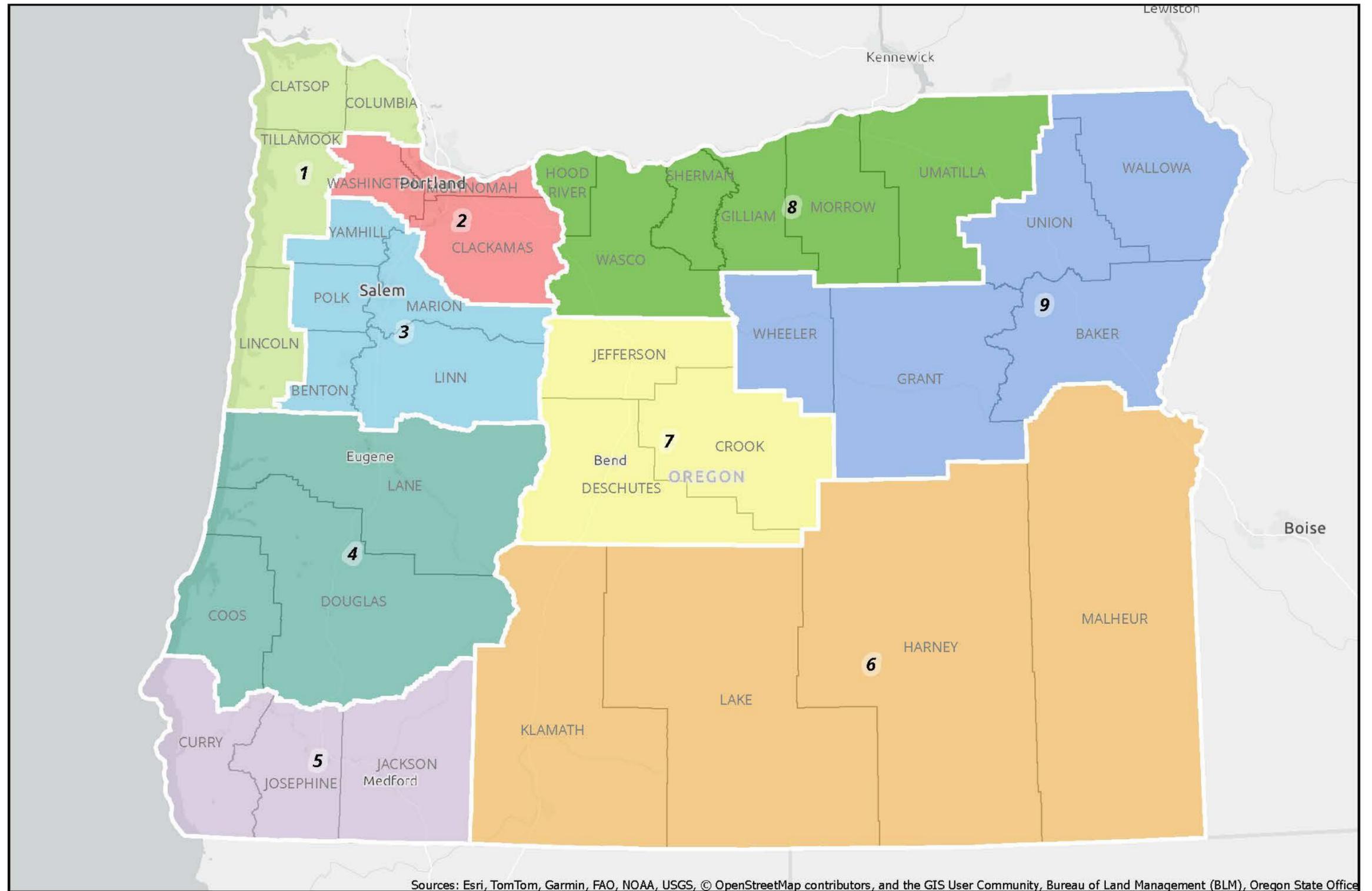
- Senate Bill 762 (2021)
- The state fire marshal shall administer a community risk reduction program that emphasizes education and methods of prevention , wildfire risk, defensible space enforcement, response planning and community preparedness for wildfires
- Create a defensible space code
- \$81 million one-time investments

THE RESPONSE: **SENATE BILL 762**

- Wildfire Risk Map
- Defensible Space, Home Hardening
- Community Wildfire Risk Reduction Program
- Response Capacity: Wildfire Season Staffing Grant & Engine Program
- Pre-Position & Immediate Response
- Public Utility Commission
- Public Health – Community Smoke Plans
- Wildfire Programs Advisory Council







Sources: Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Oregon State Office

Fire Risk Reduction Specialist Districts

Oregon State Fire Marshal

Map Date: January 30, 2026

OSFM GIS 1/30/2026





DEFENSIBLE SPACE PROGRAM

Free assessments

- 6,011 total

Incentive Pilot Program

- \$250,000 one-time incentive payments

Partnerships with ODF & local fire agencies

- 357 assessors
- 99 agencies trained





GRANT PROGRAMS

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Response Ready Oregon

- Wildfire Season Staffing Grants
- Engine Program

Fire Adapted Oregon

- Defensible Space for the Built Environment Grant
- Community Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant
- Community Wildfire Strategic Investments

Both Program Investments

- Tribal Nations Investments
- Oregon Fire Service Capacity Program
- Apprenticeship
- Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness





HOUSE BILL 3940 (2025)

HISTORY

Funding fix for rural fire protection districts

- Adjusts assessments and acreage rules to correct inequities
 1. Lands within incorporated cities served by an RFPD
 2. Improved properties within an RFPD
 3. Parcels without a structure within an RFPD

Treasury loan repayment

- The OSFM authorized to receive transfers to repay wildfire suppression loans (not new suppression funding)

New dedicated funding for wildfire mitigation

Section 45: Wildfire Prepared Structure Grant Program



FUNDING SOURCES

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION FUND

Oral Nicotine Products Tax (HB 3940)

- Two-thirds to Community Risk Reduction Fund (OSFM) & one-third to Landscape Resiliency Fund (ODF)
- Effective January 1, 2026, anticipate monthly transfers beginning May 2026
- \$9.6 million estimated revenue through June 2027

Rainy Day Fund Interest (HB 3940)

- 13.3% to Community Risk Reduction Fund (OSFM) & 6.7% to Landscape Resiliency Fund (ODF)
- Monthly transfers began in October 2025
- \$2.1 million through December 2025, \$19.6 million estimated through June 2027

One-Time General Fund Appropriation - \$13 million (HB 5006)

- \$6.5 million to Community Risk Reduction Fund (OSFM)



HOUSE BILL 3940 INVESTMENT STRATEGY

LISTENING AND UNDERSTANDING SESSIONS

- Grants, program investments, strategic investments
- 300 people through seven focus groups:
 - OSFM grant evaluation advisory group
 - Association of Oregon Counties, League of Oregon Cities, and conservation groups
 - Oregon fire service representatives
 - Wildfire Programs Advisory Council
 - 1000 Friends of Oregon and The Nature Conservancy
 - Regional coalitions
 - Oregon's tribal nations
 - OSFM regional community wildfire risk reduction staff
 - Oregon state agencies with a wildfire risk reduction focus





WILDFIRE PREPARED STRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

Includes three programs:

- Individual Retrofit Program
- Wildfire Survivor Upgrade Grant
- County Block Grant Program





HOUSE BILL 3940

Development & Research

- CAL FIRE Partnership
- Program Design Benchmarking
- Legal & Tax Guidance
- Standards & Contracting
- Cost-Benefit Analysis





KPM REPORT

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Budget note in SB 5538 directed the agency to **develop new KPMs**.

Agency proposes moving from three to five KPMs to better represent the agency's work and mission.

KPM #1, Customer service:

No proposed changes

KPM #2 (REVISED), Response:

Expands and measures additional response functions to wildfires



KPM REPORT CONTINUED

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Three additional KPMs measure the effectiveness of programs and divisions to protect people, the OSFM's primary mission:

KPM #3 (NEW), Fire and Life Safety Services:

Protecting vulnerable populations: fire safety outcomes in Oregon's high-risk occupancies

KPM #4 (NEW), Regulatory Services:

Effectiveness of local emergency planning committees through emergency planning

KPM #5 (REVISED), Fire and Life Safety Education:

Oregon residential fire fatalities rate community risk reduction metric

KPM#6 (IN DEVELOPMENT), Regulatory Services

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QUESTIONS?

