

Klamath County Plan for Prepositioning - 2024

Below outlines the plan for prepositioning resources in Klamath County. This plan incorporates Appendix M of the Oregon Fire Service Mobilization Plan and is created with input and approval of the Klamath County Fire Defense Board.

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1. Considerations & expectations

In order to have resources positioned to quickly respond to a predicted or emerging incident or planned event, structural protection resources may be strategically prepositioned where needed. Resources can be prepositioned at the request of the Fire Defense Board Chief or at the direction of the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM).

Considerations to preposition resources include but are not limited to a predicted significant weather event, warnings issued by a governmental agency (e.g., National Weather Service, Pacific Tsunami Warning Center), or a significant reduction of available firefighting resources.

Deployment of prepositioned resources to an incident will be per the approval process established at the time of the assignment (see Deploying Resources below). Once deployed, the task forces will work under the command of the fire agency having jurisdiction.

Prepositioning assignments are typically 72 hours and include two task forces or strike teams. Resources will be prepared to be deployed for up to 14 in the event an incident becomes a conflagration.

Resources are expected to abide by the code of conduct as established in the Oregon Fire Service Mobilization Plan. Resources must maintain a state of readiness and professionally represent the State of Oregon, their county, and their department. The transportation or consumption of alcohol is prohibited while on assignment.

2. Notification of assignment

All Klamath County fire agencies will be notified if resources are prepositioned in Klamath County. Notification will be accomplished via email. When resources are demobilized, an additional notification will be provided.

Social media – OSFM will provide social media messaging that announce the presence and purpose of prepositioned resources. These can be shared by local agencies in their department accounts.

3. Media requests

In the event there is media interest in the assignment, queries will be directed to the Regional Mobilization Coordinator (RMC). The RMC will connect the requestor with OSFM's public information office.

4. Potential lodging locations

The following locations have been identified as potential lodging locations for prepositioned resources in Klamath County. These locations have ample parking for apparatus and have easy access to major transportation routes. In the event a hotel is not available, resources will camp at an available location. OSFM will ensure camped resources are logistically supported.

Bly

Bly Rural Fire Protection District

68000 Hwy 140 East
Bly, OR 97622
(541) 205-9260

Chiloquin

Chiloquin Fire and Rescue (Station 3)

96201 Sprague River Rd.
Chiloquin OR. 97624
(541) 783-3860

Sleep Inn & Suites

34333 Hwy, 97 N, Chiloquin, OR 97624
(541) 827-5300

Crescent Lake

Central Cascades Fire & EMS

20400 Crescent Lake Hwy
Crescent Lake OR. 97733
(541) 433-2800

Willamette Pass Inn

19821 Hwy 58
Crescent Lake, OR 97733
(541) 433-2211

Keno

Keno Rural Fire Protection District.

14800 Puckett Rd.
Keno OR. 97627
(541) 883-3062

Klamath Falls

Klamath County Fire District 1 (Station 5)

4950 Lakeshore Dr.
Klamath Falls OR. 97601
(541) 885-2056

Running Y Resort
5500 Running Y Rd
Klamath Falls OR 97603
(541) 850-5500

Best Western Plus
2627 6th St.
Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(541) 882-9665

Comfort Inn & Suites
2500 S 6th St.
Klamath Falls OR. 97601
(541) 882-1111

Fairfield Inn & Suites
460 Timbermill Dr. Klamath Falls, Or. 97601
(541) 205-4800

Microtel Inn and Suites
2716 Dakota Ct. Klamath Falls OR 97603
(541) 238-5744

Cimarron Inn
3060 S 6th St.
Klamath Falls Or. 97602
(541) 882-4601

Camp locations

Klamath County Community College Campus
7390 South 6th St. Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(541) 882-3521

Klamath County Schools
2845 Greensprings Dr, Klamath Falls Or. 97601
(541) 883-5000

Klamath City Schools
1336 Avalon St, Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(541) 883-4700

Klamath County Fair Grounds/Event Center
3531 South 6th St. Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(541) 883-3796

Fueling Locations

Klamath Falls Fuel Commander

5800 South 6th St Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(541) 885-5478

3303 Washburn Way, Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(866) 822-4655

3029 Greensprings Dr. Klamath Falls Or. 97603
(866) 822-4655

865 S. Spring Street, Klamath Falls Or. 97601

Klamath Falls Pacific Pride

3730 N US-97 Klamath Falls Or. 97601
(541) 882-4444

Bly

61430 Hwy 140 East Bly Or. 97622
(866) 822-4655

Bonanza

3419 Harpold Rd, Bonanza Or. 97623
(866) 822-4655

Chiloquin Fuel Commander

38111 N, US-97, Chiloquin Or. 97639
(866) 822-4655

Crescent

136350 N US-97 Crescent Or. 97733

La Pine

50880 N US-97 La Pine Or. 97739
(541) 536-7520

Malin

2300 Broadway St. Malin Or. 97632
(866) 822-4655

Merrill

Hwy 39 & Stateline Rd. Merrill Or. 97633
(541) 887-8519

5. In-brief

Incoming resources will receive an in-brief from the OSFM Regional Mobilization Coordinator and/or the OSFM Agency Administrator, and a representative of the local fire service agencies (if available).

In-brief agenda:

- Welcome & state of the State – RMC/AA & local rep (if available)
- Incidents (current or anticipated) of concern – RMC/AA
- Fire weather outlook – RMC/AA & local rep (if available)
- Local fire conditions – RMC/AA & local rep (if available)
- Engagement triggers (local and statewide) - RMC
- Provide IAP & ICS 205 – RMC
- Availability of maps
- Expectations of TF's while prepositioned – RMC/AA
 - Remain response ready
 - Remove personal items from room daily
 - No self-deployments
 - Handling media queries
 - Training opportunities
 - Area familiarization
- Questions – RMC/AA & local rep (if available)

5. Maps

The RMC will ensure the prepositioned resources have sufficient mapping resources. In most cases, resources will be able to utilize mapping products available via cell phone applications (e.g., Google Maps). Transportation maps from the adjoining land management agencies can also be accessed by using the QR code below.

QR code (coming)

6. Communication plan

Prepositioned resources will be provided with an ICS 205 that will contain a list of the local channels that may need to be accessed. The RMC will provide and/or clone handheld radios with the channels listed on the ICS 205. For pre-po resources 2024 Klamath County Radio Bank WL Bank 5 will be utilized.

7. Deploying resources

It is the intent of the Klamath County Fire Defense Board that resources deploy to an incident at the request of the on-scene Incident Commander following the deployment of local mutual aid resources.

The deployment process of prepositioned resources to an incident will be established at the onset of the assignment. The process will be contingent on the purpose for the prepositioning.

If the assignment is based on local predicted conditions (e.g., incoming lightning), it is the intent of OSFM for the resources to be readily available and easily dispatched to an incident.

If resources are prepositioned in Klamath County in anticipation of being deployed to an incident outside of Klamath County, the Fire Defense Board Chief or alternate may request the resources through the Regional Mobilization Coordinator if there is a local need.

In the event prepositioned resources are sent outside of Klamath County, the Regional Mobilization Coordinator will notify the Klamath County Fire Defense Board Chief and all relevant parties.

8. Activities when not deployed or training

Prepositioned resources will look for training opportunities when not deployed. Task forces should look for areas (parks, etc.) that will allow for wildland firefighting tactics to be practiced (e.g., hose lays). Task forces should also look for opportunities to ensure equipment is response ready.

When not deployed or training, the Klamath County you are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the county, take advantage of any training opportunities and explore what the county has to offer, while maintaining positive communications with Klamath County 911, Klamath County Fire Chief and or Regional Coordinator.

While conducting these activities, at least one task force will remain within 10 minutes of base camp to ensure rapid deployment to an incident. Rapid Deployment Taskforce will be identified daily while assigned and information given to the County Fire Chief and RMC.