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TO: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Daniel Nibouar, Director, Office of Disaster Management

RE: Wildfire Preparations for 2025

DATE: June 10, 2025

REQUEST: None, informational only.

BACKGROUND: This is an informational update in advance of wildfire season to provide an overview of wildfire preparedness; including topics such as alert and notification, evacuation strategy, coordination with Incident Management Teams, delegation of authority, conflagration, and the disaster declaration process.

This update will brief the Board on the County's approach to wildfire preparedness. It outlines key operational components necessary for a coordinated and effective response. This update focuses on four core areas:

- **1. Alert, Notification and Evacuation Strategy** Describes interagency roles in disseminating timely and accurate emergency alerts and information to the public, as well as the coordination required between to plan and implement safe and orderly evacuations.
- **2. Incident Management Teams/Coordination** Details the deployment and integration of local, state, and federal resources to enhance response capabilities.
- **3. Delegation of Authority/Conflagration** Explains the process of formally transferring responsibilities to ensure streamlined incident leadership.
- **4. Disaster Declaration Process** Provides an overview of how emergency declarations are initiated, the powers they confer, and their limitations; emphasizing that declarations do not guarantee state or federal aid but can be critical for enabling local emergency measures and mobilizing resources.

RECOMMENDATION: None, informational update only.

Respectfully Submitted,

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