## Mill City: FEMA Direct Temporary Housing Site Opens

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**SALEM, Ore** – FEMA has begun moving Manufactured Housing Units (MHUs) onto a newly constructed site in Mill City that will provide temporary housing to qualified Oregon wildfire survivors and their families.

Construction on the new Mill City site began earlier this month, with work completed ahead of schedule. The site is currently scheduled to house 13 manufactured housing units (MHUs) and can accommodate up to 16 MHUs, providing necessary temporary housing for the qualified residents of both Linn and Marion counties.

As soon as all manufactured housing units (MHUs) are delivered and placed on site, each unit will be given a final inspection ensuring they are ready for occupancy, and families can be scheduled to be licensed into their temporary homes.

To date, 85 families whose homes were severely damaged or destroyed by this year's wildfires have been licensed-in to temporary housing units from FEMA. These units are placed in established RV parks or in FEMA constructed group sites.

In addition to Linn and Marion counties, FEMA's Direct Housing mission is establishing temporary housing for qualified disaster survivors in Jackson and Lincoln counties in sites like the one in Mill City. Housing units are chosen by FEMA based on the survivor family composition and needs, as well as to ensure that requirements for access or functional needs are met.

Currently, 240 qualified families are scheduled to receive FEMA Direct Temporary Housing in the four counties. The current number of qualified families has fallen as many households that qualified for this assistance have located alternate temporary or permanent housing on their own.



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Disaster survivors affected by the Oregon wildfires and straight-line winds can also get personalized mitigation advice to repair and rebuild safer and stronger from a FEMA Mitigation Specialist. For information on how to rebuild safer and stronger or to inquire as to your new flood risk following a fire near you, email <a href="mailto:FEMA-R10-MIT@fema.dhs.gov">FEMA-R10-MIT@fema.dhs.gov</a>, a FEMA Hazard Mitigation specialist will respond survivor inquiries. When rebuilding check with your local building official and floodplain administrator for guidance.

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