FEMA Application Deadline Extended for Oregon Wildfire Aid

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Salem, Ore. – The deadline for survivors of Oregon wildfires to apply for FEMA individual disaster assistance and low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is extended to Monday, Nov. 30.

The extension agreed upon by the state and FEMA is for survivors living in counties designated for individual assistance including Clackamas, Douglas, Jackson, Klamath, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, and Marion.

Federal disaster assistance for individuals and families can include money for rental assistance, essential home repairs, personal property losses, and other serious disaster-related needs not covered by insurance.

Help is available. Apply for disaster assistance with FEMA online at www.disasterassistance.gov/ by using the FEMA app or calling the FEMA Helpline at 800-462-7585) between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. Pacific Standard Time daily. Those who use a Relay service such as a videophone, InnoCaption, or CapTel should update FEMA with their assigned number for that service. It is important that FEMA make contact in order to move an application forward. Phone calls from FEMA may come from an unidentified number.

All Oregon residents – including disaster survivors affected by the Oregon wildfires and straight-line winds – can also get personalized mitigation advice from a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Specialist. For information on how to build safer and stronger or to inquire as to your flood risk following a fire, email FEMA-R10-MIT@fema.dhs.gov and a FEMA Hazard Mitigation specialist will respond.

Small Business Administration assistance

SBA helps businesses, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners, and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. To apply for a low-interest disaster loan, complete an



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online application at <u>disasterloan.sba.gov/ela</u>. To reach an SBA Customer Service Representative directly call **800-659-2955** (**TTY 800-877-8339**). For more information, visit sba.gov.

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The SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private non-profit organizations, homeowners, and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955 (TTY 800-877-8339), emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or visiting SBA's website at sba.gov/disaster. Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals may call (800) 877-8339.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585). Those who use a Relay service such as a videophone, InnoCaption or CapTel should update FEMA with their assigned number for that service. They should be aware phone calls from FEMA may come from an unidentified number. Multilingual operators are available. (Press 2 for Spanish)

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