

# Oregon Case Studies

Energy Emergency Response  
Crash Course: Incident  
Command and  
ESF 12 - Energy

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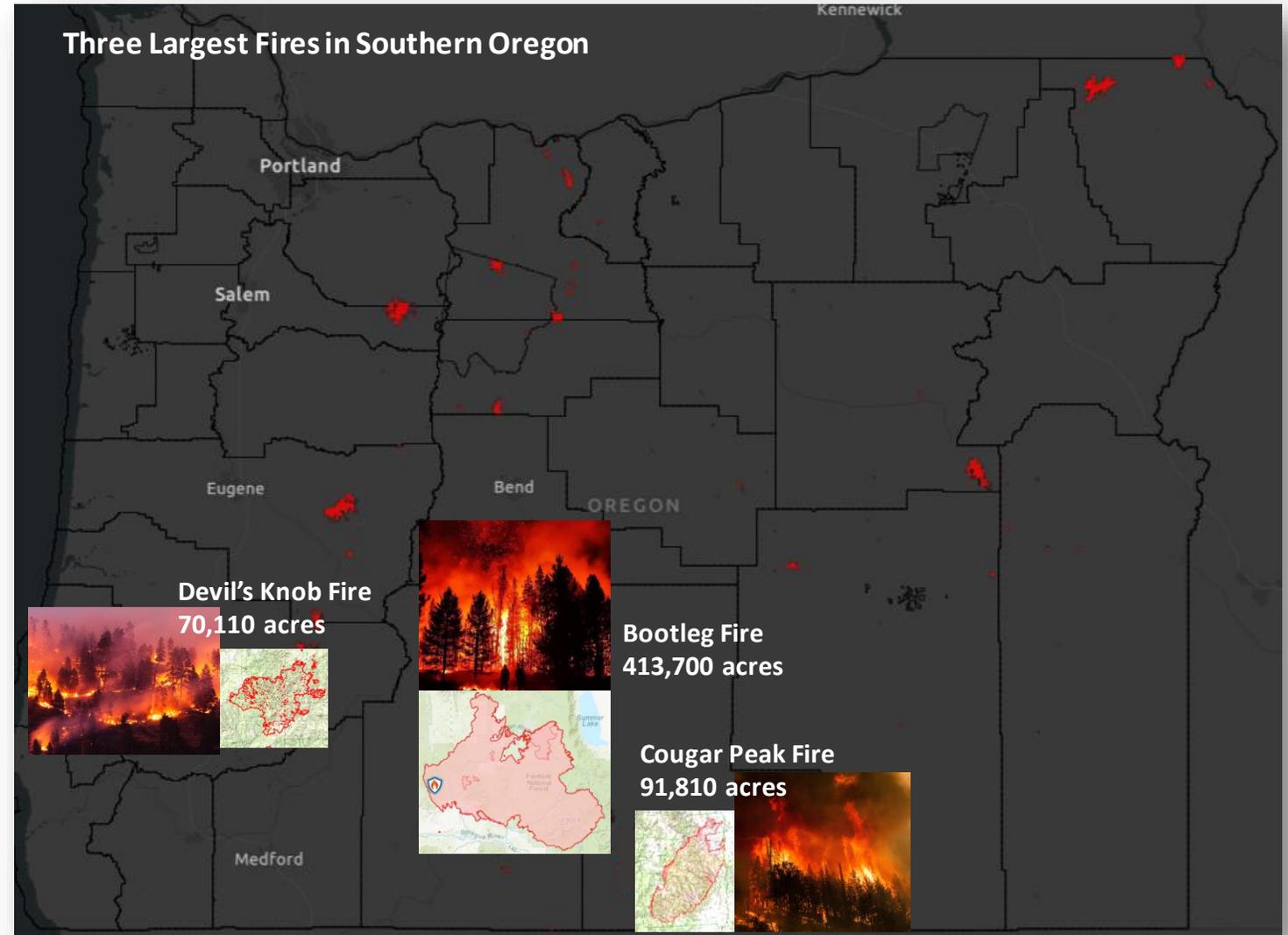
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# 2021 Wildfires in Oregon

## Wildfires plagued Southern, Central, and Eastern Oregon

- Over 1000 Wildfires  
*(May - October)*
- 826,000 Acres burned
  - Acreage burned an area larger than Road Island
- 174 buildings torched
- Set records for poor air quality



## Oregon Department of energy (ODOE) activated in response to jet fuel concerns

- Worked with state and federal fire agencies to assess jet fuel needs at airports fighting wildfires
- Worked with suppliers and distributors to secure and deliver jet fuel to airports with limited supply
- Activated Western States Petroleum Collaborative for situational awareness, assessing regional jet fuel supply and distribution concerns, and determining if joint state actions were warranted

## New procedures and partnerships established

- Fuel Coordination Group established
  - Oregon State Departments of Forestry, Energy, and Aviation
  - U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management
- Jet fuel distributor dedicates truck and driver to deliver supply to airports when requested by ODOE



# Oregon Highway 101 Closure



## Fuel Deliveries to Southern Oregon Communities Impacted

- Landslide underneath U.S. Highway 101 caused the roadway to drop as much as 12 feet
- All lanes of U.S. Highway 101 closed to traffic on the southern coast for nearly a week
- No local detour on this stretch of highway - backbone of Oregon's coastal transportation system



# Alternate Route: Detour Into California



## Federal and State Actions Required

- Presidential Declaration
- Oregon Request
  - State Declaration
  - Demonstrate fuel is necessary to prevent loss of life
- California Waivers
  - Weight Limits
    - OR: 105,000 lbs
    - CA: 80,000 lbs
  - Axle Limits
    - OR: 8-axle truck/trailer
    - CA: 6-axle truck



## Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

- Lead for Hours-of-Service waivers
- Delegates authority to states for issuing emergency waivers



## Federal Highway Administration

- Lead for Size and Weight waivers
- Does NOT delegate authority to states for issuing emergency waivers
- No uniform truck size and weight limits across the U.S.





# Thank You!

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