

Fire Department Identification (FDID): clarification and definitions

OSFM issues FDID's to:

- **Sub-Governmental/Public Fire Departments (Career, Volunteer or Combination)**

-476.005 Definition (2) "Governmental subdivision" means a city, county or rural fire protection district in this state whose functions include regulation of building use and occupancy and the administration of fire safety laws, ordinances and regulations.

-476.010 Definition (2) As used in ORS 476.030 and other laws relating to the duties of the State Fire Marshal, "Governmental subdivision" means a city, county, municipal corporation, quasi-municipal corporation and rural fire protection district, created under the laws of Oregon. This includes:

- Rural Fire Protection District (RFPD) formed under ORS 478 and ORS 198
- City Fire Department formed under city charter
- Domestic Water Supply District under ORS 264.340 and ORS 198
- County Service District under ORS 451.010 and ORS 199.420(7)
- Governmental Industry Fire Brigades

NOTE: Private Non-Profit Fire Departments: will be offered a transition plan to be completed by 2009 to form into a Sub-Governmental Public Fire Department (clarification below (*)).

OSFM does not issue FDID's to:

- **Volunteer Associations** due to a lack of financial accountability requirements with any state agency and no minimum training requirements from OSHA. (Volunteer Associations in this case is termed to mean any organization not formally organized to fight fire which is required to meet OR-OSHA mandates; nor do they meet financial scrutiny of a governmental agency for financial recordkeeping.)
- **Rangeland Protection Associations** and **Zone 1 land** that are organized through Oregon Department of Forestry.
- **Zone 2 lands**, because they are county contracted.
- **Private Fire Department (*)** (AKA: Fire Brigade (OR-OSHA)) (means an organized group of employees who are knowledgeable, trained, and skilled in at least basic firefighting operations). This includes:
 - For-profit corporations or businesses
 - Non-profit corporations (501 (c)(3)) (all volunteer departments)
- **Private Industry Fire Brigades:** a group of employees within an industry who are required to fight interior structural fires at their place of employment.