



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07 – 14

**INVOCATION OF EMERGENCY CONFLAGRATION ACT FOR GW
FIRE IN DESCHUTES COUNTY**

Pursuant to my authority as Governor of the State of Oregon, I find that:

A wildfire known as the “GW Fire” is burning in Deschutes County. The fire is currently burning approximately 7300 acres and is approximately five percent contained. Numerous structures are threatened and Black Butte Ranch has been evacuated.

The resources necessary for protection of life and property from the GW Fire are beyond local capabilities. Assistance with life, safety, and structural fire protection was requested by the Deschutes County Fire Defense Chief. The State Fire Marshal concurs with that request.

In accordance with ORS 476.510-476-610, I have determined that a threat to life, safety, and property exists due to the fire known as the GW Fire in Deschutes County and the threat exceeds the firefighting capabilities of local firefighting personnel and equipment. Accordingly, I have invoked the Emergency Conflagration Act.

These findings were made at 8:28 p.m. on September 3, 2007 and I now confirm them with this Executive Order.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED:

1. The Oregon State Police and the Office of State Fire Marshal shall mobilize fire resources statewide and coordinate with all appropriate Fire Defense Chiefs for the use of personnel and equipment in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act to suppress and contain this fire.
2. This emergency is declared only for the GW Fire in Deschutes County.



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3. This order was made by verbal proclamation at 8:28 p.m. the 3rd day of September, 2007 and signed this 4th day of September, 2007, in Salem, Oregon.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



Bill Bradbury
SECRETARY OF STATE

