



Drought conditions and the possibility for severe weather and wind have officials worried about a difficult wildfire season in Oregon, especially in Southern and Eastern Oregon. TVWD is making significant investments in infrastructure like the Willamette Water Supply System to assure we have a reliable source of water to fight local fires and has a plan for staff to work safely in smoky conditions, but it's important that you are familiar with what you need to know in case a wildfire impacts you.



Develop a plan with your family.

Make sure you are "two weeks
ready" and have an emergency kit
that includes water, food, and
critical supplies. Keep your supplies
in a backpack, bag or bucket than
can easily take with you if you need
to evacuate.



Before starting a campfire or bonfire, make sure it is allowed. Only use an appropriate fire pit, cleared of all vegetation and ringed by stones. Never leave a fire unattended and make sure your fire is completely doused with water and smothered with dirt before leaving. Don't start a fire on a windy day.



Stay informed. Sign up for Or-Alert emergency notifications and make sure your cell phone has Wireless Emergency Alerts enabled. For more information specific to wildfires, visit the Oregon Wildfire Response and Recovery website. Get air quality updates at AirNow.gov.



Be familiar with <u>Oregon's three level</u> <u>evacuation notification system</u>. Know all evacuation routes in your area. If you are asked to evacuate, do so immediately.



Do you have your emergency supply of water and food, and have taken other steps to prepare for emergencies?

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