



FIRE DISTRICT 3

JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

CENTRAL POINT - WHITE CITY - EAGLE POINT - GOLD HILL - AGATE LAKE - DODGE BRIDGE - SAMS VALLEY



SPRING 2025 NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

As we approach another wildfire season, I would like to emphasize the importance of preparing your home and family for the potential threat of fire. Creating defensible space around your property—by clearing brush, trimming trees, and maintaining a 30-foot area—can significantly reduce the risk to your home. In addition to this, it's vital to take steps to prepare for an emergency.



I encourage everyone to assemble an emergency evacuation kit, sign up for Emergency Alerts at www.jacksonalerts.org, and establish a clear escape plan with your loved ones. These simple actions can make a life-saving difference in the event of a wildfire. Together, we can enhance our community's safety and resilience, ensuring we are responsive when needed. This newsletter provides tools and resources that Fire District 3 can offer to you to help reduce your risk and improve the safety of your family and loved ones.

Mike Hussey
Fire Chief

MISSION

The mission of Jackson County Fire District 3 is to preserve quality of life and protect property through education, risk reduction, and emergency response services.

VISION

To reduce and eliminate risk from fire, rescue, and medical events in the communities we serve.

WE HAVE A NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE!

In March, we transitioned to a .gov website. From the homepage, you can sign up to receive notifications when news, meeting agendas and minutes are posted.

All resources in this newsletter can be found at www.jcfd3or.gov under "News"

Scan the QR code with your phone's camera to easily access the resources in this newsletter.



2024: RECAP

- 9,286 Calls for service
- 5,609 EMS incidents
- 93 Grass/wildland fires
- 25.4 Avg calls per day
- 23 Acres burned (in District)
- 53K Miles driven by engines

OUR COMMUNITIES

>>> WHO WE ARE

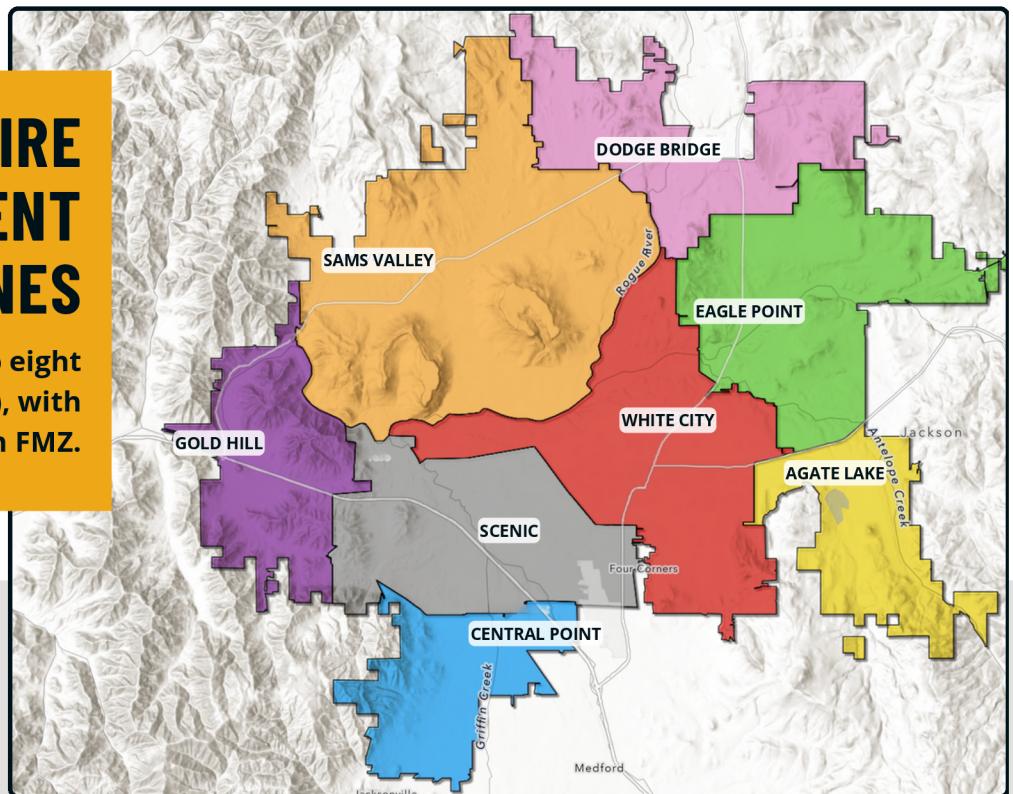
Fire District 3 provides fire suppression, emergency medical and rescue services, risk reduction, and community care to more than 57,000 residents living in the communities of Central Point, White City, Eagle Point, Gold Hill, Sams Valley, Dodge Bridge, and Agate Lake. The District's 71 full-time employees and 15 volunteers work from four career stations, four volunteer stations, and two Administration offices to provide coverage to the 171 square miles that encompass the District.

Four career fire stations are located in Central Point (2), White City, and Eagle Point. These career stations are supervised by a Battalion Chief who is centrally based out of the White City station. Four volunteer fire stations are located in Gold Hill, Sams Valley, Dodge Bridge, and Agate Lake. These stations generate a response from resident volunteers who live on-site at the station property. Volunteers living in their own rural communities within the District also contribute to any emergency response.

Our Risk Reduction Division is staffed with a Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Marshals, a Risk Reduction Captain, and a Risk Reduction Crew with a Supervisor. The Risk Reduction Division inspects commercial occupancies, conducts plans reviews for commercial construction, investigate all fires, and provide public education and risk reduction services. The division works closely with business and industry to promote growth and to assist them with meeting the requirements of the fire code and with the community to reduce risk.

FIRE MANAGEMENT ZONES

Fire District 3 is divided into eight Fire Management Zones (FMZ's), with one station located within each FMZ.



PHOTOS FROM 2024



Dedication of the Harvey Tonn Outdoor Learning Center at Scenic Station/Scenic Park in CP



Wildfire Fuels Collection Site at Agate Lake Station



Loaner Life Jackets at TouVelle Boat Ramp



Eagle Point Engine 23 training in White City



Grassfire on Grant Road (CP) on July 15, 2024

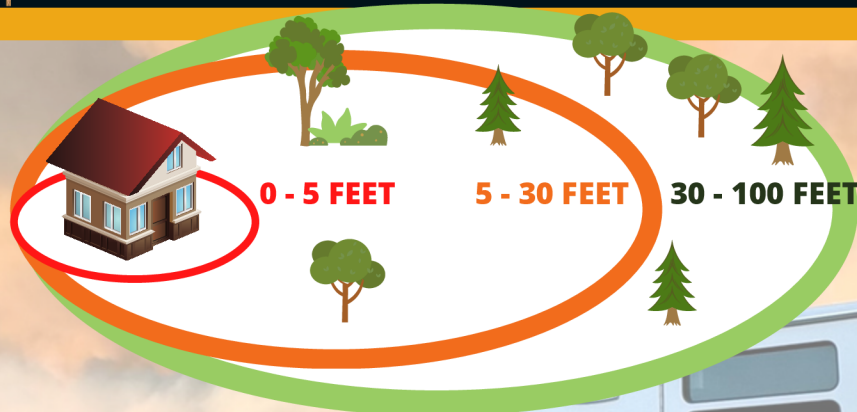
WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS

IT'S TIME TO START PREPARING FOR FIRE SEASON

Fire District 3 wants to help keep your property and loved ones safe. Having a defensible space and hardening your home by reducing or eliminating flammable vegetation is one of the best things a resident can do to protect their home from wildfire.



START GETTING READY FOR FIRE SEASON: CONTACT US FOR A FREE WILDFIRE HOME ASSESSMENT AND ACCESS OUR RESOURCES TO GET STARTED.



“A belated and very deep thanks for the great job Eric and his crew did on Jan. 27 and 28 with chipping all the dead and down wood that we and they cut & dragged to the drive.

Getting all that dead wood out makes a huge difference in reducing our risk for fire severity and intensity--and does nice things visually, too :-). The FD3 gang was friendly, cheerful, kept us in the loop with what they were doing, and did the cleanest, neatest chipping job either of us has ever seen. Congrats all around on a job very well done.

Thank you again for all your help
(An email to FD3 from a Gold Hill/Sams Valley area resident)



Sign up for Emergency Alerts
at
www.jacksonalerts.org

FUELS REDUCTION

CREATE YOUR DEFENSIBLE SPACE TODAY!



www.jcfd3or.gov/crr

SIGN UP FOR OUR:

Dump Trailers

Wood Chipper

Wildfire Home Assessment

FREE

Plan. Prepare. Stay Aware.

Be READY

Level 1



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HARDEN YOUR HOME:
FLYING EMBERS CAN TRAVEL UP TO A MILE AND DESTROY YOUR HOME

CREATE DEFENSIBLE SPACE ZONES AROUND YOUR HOME

Be SET

Level 2



PREPARE YOUR HOME AND FAMILY FOR EVACUATION

- WHAT
- WHO
- HOW
- WHEN

CREATE A WILDFIRE ACTION PLAN



ASSEMBLE AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT



MAKE A FAMILY COMMUNICATION PLAN

GO!

Level 3



PREPARE INSIDE & OUTSIDE FOR AN EVACUATION AND GET THE CHECKLISTS



REVIEW YOUR PLAN CHECKLIST

GO!

LISTEN FOR ALERT LEVELS AND BE MINDFUL OF CHANGING CONDITIONS. LEAVE WHEN NOTIFIED OR WHEN NECESSARY



MAKE SURE YOUR EMERGENCY KIT IS IN YOUR VEHICLE



COVER UP TO PROTECT YOURSELF



LOCATE YOUR PETS AND BRING THEM WITH YOU

Emergency Kit Checklist



- ☐ Phone and charger, radio
- ☐ Important papers: ID, insurance docs, etc.
- ☐ Prescriptions, glasses
- ☐ Pets and their food, medications
- ☐ Computers or data storage
- ☐ Pictures and irreplaceable mementos
- ☐
- ☐

DID YOU KNOW?

VISIT WWW.JCFD3OR.GOV UNDER "NEWS" TO SIGN UP AND ACCESS ALL RESOURCES LISTED
- OR GIVE US A CALL!

BURN PERMITS

Permits are electronic and easy to obtain on our website. Call us if you need help.

Available on our website homepage: www.jcfd3or.gov under "Burn Permits"

2024 ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report highlights our response statistics, achievements, significant events, and emphasizes our commitment to serving the communities within Fire District 3.

2024 - 2027 STRATEGIC PLAN

The Strategic Plan aims to align our services and goals with the evolution of our communities, businesses, residents, and visitors. This will remain a dynamic document, responsive to budget constraints, opportunities, and changing circumstances.

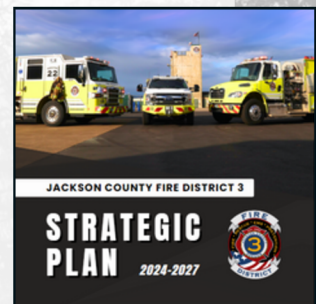
COMMUNITY CONNECT

Sign up and securely share critical information about your household that will aid first responders. Users can enter mobility and access information, or details about family members and pets that live in the household.

PULSE POINT

A 911-connected mobile app which allows users to view and receive alerts on calls being dispatched and responded to by fire departments and emergency medical services. CPR certified responders can also be alerted to incidents happening near them.

BURN PERMIT FIRE DISTRICT 3



 Community
Connect
SIGN UP NOW!



COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION & FUELS REDUCTION

COMMUNITY CARE

Our Community Care Team can assist you or a loved one with Aging at Home in place and navigating the healthcare system successfully. Efforts are made to reduce dependency on the 911 system for non-emergent needs and to help access tools that can assist with mobility and care.

Falls, slips, and trips account for a large percentage of our calls, and there are prevention methods we can help you with! Give us a call and ask for the Community Care Team.



FUELS DUMP TRAILERS

We have (2) dump trailers available for use by District residents - FOR FREE! The process is easy: sign up and get a free fire risk assessment at the same time. We leave the trailer, you fill it up, and we haul it off and dump it. There are restrictions to the material types we haul away.



COMMUNITY WOOD CHIPPER

We also have a wood chipper (courtesy of a grant provided by the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office) that can be brought to your property or even a neighborhood for a day of wood chipping. The chipper is operated by District personnel.



FUELS COLLECTION SITES

Free Wildfire Fuels Collection Sites - open seasonally for green waste, tree limbs, and flammable vegetation.

- Dodge Bridge Station
60 Rogue River Drive, Eagle Point, OR 97524
- Agate Lake Station
880 E Antelope Road, Eagle Point, OR 97524

Signs are posted when the sites are open and closed or you can call us to check at (541) 826-7100





JOIN OUR TEAM

We are looking for volunteers with wide-ranging skill sets! We have positions in Risk Reduction, Response, and Support Services and are looking for people who are passionate about serving our communities.

Some of our current volunteers help in the Administration Office, while others help with fuels reduction work. Volunteering at Fire District 3 is a rewarding and impactful way to serve your community!

CAREERS

Career opportunities are posted at www.jcfd3or.gov under "Join Our Team." You can also sign up to be notified of future job alerts. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date!

A GREAT PLACE TO WORK AND VOLUNTEER!

- Benefits and Wellness Programs
- Personal Development Opportunities
- Education Incentives

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Burn Day Line	(541) 776-7007
Non-Emergency Dispatch (ECSO)	(541) 776-7206
DEQ Illegal Burn Reporting	(888) 997-7888
Wood Stove Burning Info	(541) 776-9000
Oregon Dept of Forestry	(541) 664-3328
Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)	(541) 618-7572
Car Seat Inspection Appointments	(541) 826-7100
Mental Health Crisis line	Dial 988



Every bedroom needs to have a working smoke alarm!



Test alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.



Some people, especially children and older adults, may need help to wake up. Make sure someone will wake them if the smoke alarm sounds.



Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old or if they do not sound when tested.



When the smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside. Go to your outside meeting place.



Call 911 from a cellphone or a neighbor's phone. Stay outside until the fire department says it is safe to return inside.

RECURSOS COMMUNITARIOS

Información del día de quema	(541) 776-7007
Despacho de no emergencia (ECSO)	(541) 776-7206
Línea para quemaduras ilegales	(888) 997-7888
Quemar con estufas de leña	(541) 776-9000
Departamento de bosques en Oregon	(541) 664-3328
La Conexión de Recursos para el Envejecimiento y la Discapacidad de Rogue Valley (ADRC)	(541) 618-7572
Revisión de asientos de carro	(541) 826-7100
Línea de Prevención del Suicidio y Crisis	Teléfono 988



¡Cada dormitorio necesita tener una alarma de incendios operativa!



Averigüe el funcionamiento de cada alarma mensualmente.



Los niños y los adultos mayores pueden necesitar ayuda para despertarse cuando suene una alarma de humo.



Reemplace todas las alarmas de humo cada 10 años, o cuando no suenen al momento de una prueba.



Cuando suena una alarma de humo, salga y quédese afuera. Diríjase hasta el punto de reunión exterior que se haya designado.



Llame 9-1-1 desde un teléfono celular o desde un teléfono de un vecino. Quédese afuera hasta que el departamento de bomberos indique que es seguro volver a la vivienda.



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Complete this form and place it on your refrigerator or
in a visible location for Emergency Responders.



PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____

Phone #: _____ Hospital Preference: ☐ ARPMC ☐ Providence

POLST Form? ☐ Yes ☐ No Location of POLST form: _____

Allergies: ☐ None ☐ Yes? List them here: _____

Other: _____

Medical History: _____

Current Medications and Dosage: _____