



## DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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### **UPDATE: Douglas County Fairgrounds Now a Red Cross Evacuation Site**

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(Douglas County, Ore.) The Douglas County Commissioners announced this morning that in addition to the notice below, the American Red Cross has set up a temporary Emergency Shelter at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg for displaced residents from the area wildfires at French Creek, Archie Creek and Star Mountain. Red Cross is currently setting up a resource center, with beds in Douglas Hall.

For more information about RV space and livestock availability at the Fairgrounds please contact Ciera Keith at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Office at (541) 440-4394. At the time of this notice, the RV park and horse stalls were about half full.

Please note: Space is being given to Douglas County residents who have received Level 2 and Level 3 Evacuation notices only. As additional resources and opportunities for local residents to help and volunteer are made available, we will release updated information.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
September 8, 2020

### **DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFER SPACES AT THE FAIRGROUNDS TO DISPLACED RESIDENTS FROM THE NORTH UMPQUA WILDFIRES**

(Douglas County, OR) Douglas County Board of Commissioners announced tonight that they are opening up the Douglas County Fairgrounds RV Park and Complex to displaced residents, pets and livestock for free temporary rehoming due to the **LEVEL 3 EVACUATIONS** issued for the **French Creek, Archie Creek and Star Mountain Wildfires** burning up the North Umpqua Highway. The Douglas County Fairgrounds RV Park is located at 2110 SW Frear Street in Roseburg, Oregon (I-5, Exit 123).

Earlier this evening, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, working in conjunction with the Commissioners, Douglas Forest Protective Association, US Forest Service and BLM officials, issued a **LEVEL 3 EVACUATION** order for ALL residents on all roads along Oregon Hwy 138 from Milepost 17 at the Green Bridge near Glide to Milepost 47 near Dry Creek.

Douglas County Fairground gates will remain open all night and all day for displaced residents to relocate RV's, trailers and campers into RV spaces at the complex. The "free" spaces are being offered to displaced

residents of the wildfires on a first come-first served basis. In addition, they will also have limited areas available for displaced pets, livestock and/or livestock trailers. Displaced residents are asked to check in with the Fairgrounds staff during the day, but do not need to check in with Fairgrounds Staff after hours from 5:00 pm to 8:00 am. For more information, please contact Ciera Keith at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Office at (541) 440-4394.

*“In emergency situations like this, it is critically important that our residents and their animals have a place to go and be safe,”* stated Commissioner Tom Kress. *“We will continue to work on ways we can help our residents dealing with the impact of these wildfires.”*

The Commissioners are working in conjunction with the Douglas County Fair Board and the Douglas County Fairgrounds Staff to offer the free temporary rehoming for displaced residents. As additional resources and opportunities for local residents to help and volunteer are made available, we will release updated information.

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