

# Metro Response to Regional Wildfires

November 5, 2020

#### Background

Historic wind event in early September stoked massive fires across the state

Fires in greater Portland burned more than 300,000 acres

Contributed to extended, hazardous air quality in the region

## **Operational impacts**

Suspended outdoor work at facilities across the agency

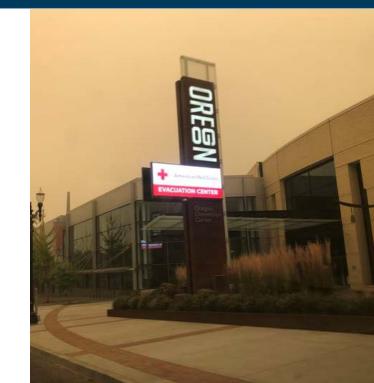
Evacuations and closures at the Jonsson Center, parks and natural areas and WPES facilities

## **Regional response**

Oregon Convention Center opened two shelters

Expo Center staged Red Cross supply distribution

Debris management



### Next steps and recommendations

Emergency management program presentations on Dec. 8 and 10

Develop MOUs with local governments

Invest in Incident Command System training for Metro staff

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