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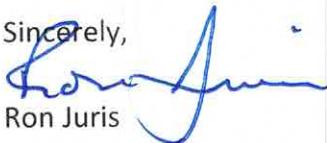
TO: Eastern Klickitat Conservation District Landowners and Agricultural Producers

RE: EKCD Wildfire Recovery Assistance

Eastern Klickitat Conservation District (EKCD) is working to support fire recovery efforts for all of you who have been affected by the Newell Road fire and other 2023 wildfires. We have reached out to our county, state and federal elected officials to make them aware of the impact wildfire has had and will continue to have on infrastructure, natural resources and agricultural operations. Our staff is diligently working with county, state and local agencies to identify both technical and financial assistance for recovery efforts. While there isn't a ready solution for this challenge, we have identified several potential sources of funding. Some of these may be available in the near term but most will take a year or more to gain access to. We understand the frustration with this timeline when many of your needs are immediate. We are working to find more quickly available resources, but as you all know, the wheels of most agencies turn rather slowly.

In order to support our efforts to access recovery funding EKCD is requesting landowners and agricultural producers fill out our "Wildfire Request for Assistance" form. This information will help us document and prioritize needs and make a strong request for funding assistance for landowners. Please recognize that there isn't yet a funding guarantee and that different funding sources will have various funding requirements that may or may not work for everyone. We will work to match up your needs with available funding. Sharing the impact to your land and operation with EKCD through the use of this form will greatly increase our ability to demonstrate the needs to funding sources and to assist you with fire recovery on your operation.

Sincerely,



Ron Juris
EKCD Chairman





2023 Wildfire Request for Assistance

ID #	
Tax Parcel #	
Date	
Staff	

Send this completed form to lorenm@centralcd.org or mail to Eastern Klickitat Conservation District at 1107 S. Columbus Ave., Goldendale, WA 98620

Unless told otherwise, we will share this information with natural resource agencies and social service groups who are assisting landowners.

Landowner Information

Full Name: _____
First Last Landowner Name, if other than the person filling out this form

Property Address: _____
Street City State, Zip

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State, Zip

Primary Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

Email: _____

Have you worked with Eastern Klickitat Conservation District before? YES NO

Do you want your information shared with other agencies working on fire recovery? YES NO FSA Only

Are you a: Full time resident Part time resident Non-resident

Did you have structure loss? (home, outbuildings, sheds, etc.) YES NO

If yes, what number and type of structure(s)? _____

Total Acres Owned: _____ Total Owned Acres Burned _____ Is that total: Estimated Known
(select one)

Total Acres Leased: _____ Total Leased Acres Burned _____ Is that total: Estimated Known
(select one)

Additional Property Information

What is the land use? Check all that apply: Crops Grazing CRP Recreational Residential Other:

Is your home covered by homeowners' insurance? YES NO NA

Do you have flood insurance? YES NO

Main Concerns:

Please use the space below to write any other concerns regarding your property.

Safety Concerns for Staff:

Please use the space below to write safety concerns field staff should be aware of when accessing your property. Examples would be road washed out, hazardous holes, do staff need 4-wheel drive vehicle, falling trees, locked gates, etc.

Plant and Animal Concerns

Do you have wildlife concerns? YES NO

Please describe: _____

What type of vegetation is/was on the property? (check all that apply)

Grass Sagebrush-shrubsteppe Pine forest Riparian Other: _____

Do you have concerns about trees falling on your home, driveway, or other structures? YES NO

Previously had a wildfire (Firewise, Wildfire Ready Neighbors) risk assessment? YES NO

Is the property part of a recognized Firewise community? YES NO

Are you interested in a plan for managing land and home to reduce future wildfire risk? YES NO

Did the property have areas with dense noxious weeds before the fire? YES NO

Do you anticipate noxious weeds becoming a problem post fire? YES NO

Are you interested in reseeding or replanting? YES NO

Agricultural Producer Information

Are you an agricultural producer (make income from farm products)? YES NO

If yes, have you worked with Farm Service Agency (FSA) before? YES NO

Are you under contract with any agencies (NRCS, FSA, etc.)? YES NO If yes, what kind? _____

Do you lease out of your farm or rangeland? YES NO

Do you have agricultural insurance? YES NO

Did you lose livestock? YES NO If yes, what kind and how many? _____

Did you lose crops? YES NO If yes, what kind and how many acres? _____

Do you have a lease/permit on public land recently impacted by wildfire? YES NO

If yes, which agency? _____

Acres Leased _____

Percentage of acres burned: _____%

Did you lose livestock feed as a result of the fire? YES NO

Please estimate the number of acres or tons: _____

Please list other agriculture building and equipment losses. If known include cost to replace. (grain sheds, storage sheds, barns, tractors, tools, etc.)

Fence Concerns

Did you lose or have damage to any fences? YES NO

What is the purpose of the fence? Livestock Non-Ag Livestock Deer Fence Other: _____

Please estimate the distance, and if known, the replacement cost of the lost or damaged fence by type below:

	Fence Distance	Cost
Critical area (keep livestock out of surface water)	_____	\$ _____
Inclusion (keep livestock in)	_____	\$ _____
Exclusion (keep livestock out)	_____	\$ _____
Livestock cross fence (manage grazing)	_____	\$ _____
Deer/Elk (keep wildlife out of orchard/vineyard)	_____	\$ _____

Does the fence need to be: repaired completely replaced both

Do you plan to: install fence yourself hire a contractor both

Irrigation & Livestock Watering Concerns

Did you have agricultural irrigation system damage? YES NO

What is your irrigation water source? (check all that apply)

River Creek Spring development Well Irrigation District Other _____

Type and estimated cost of damage (or note if you need assistance with cost estimates):

Well: \$ _____	Electrical Equipment: \$ _____	Pipe: \$ _____
Pump: \$ _____	Sprinklers: \$ _____	K-Line: \$ _____
Wheel Line: \$ _____	Handline: \$ _____	Solid Set: \$ _____
Pivot: \$ _____	Troughs: \$ _____	Other: \$ _____

Did you have damage to livestock watering facilities? YES NO

Solar off stream watering from well: \$ _____ Gravity off stream watering from surface water: \$ _____

Water gap: \$ _____

Water / Soil Concerns: These questions help us evaluate your flood/debris flow risk

Is your house within 100 ft. of a stream?	YES	NO
Is it located at the mouth of a canyon or draw?	YES	NO
Have you had flooding or erosion since the fire?	YES	NO
Do you have flooding concerns?	YES	NO

Please describe: _____

Do you have surface water (stream, creek, spring, pond)?	YES	NO		
Check all that apply on your property:	Stream/river, permanent	Stream, seasonal	Spring	Wetland
	Lake/pond	Dam	Steep hill slopes	
Does you have bridges or culverts on your property?	YES	NO		
Does a culvert or bridge provide the only access to your property?	YES	NO		

Please indicate if you are interested in learning more about the following wildfire recovery opportunities:

Please note that any ground disturbing activities associated with the actions below will require a cultural resource inventory.

Funding to remove wildfire impacted fence & install wildlife friendly fence. (Wildlife Friendly Fencing has a top smooth wire at 42 inches, a bottom smooth wire at 18 inches above ground, and two smooth or barbed wires at 26 and 34 inches above ground. Further specifications can be provided. Cost share can be up to 100%.)	YES	NO
Cost share to repair/replace livestock watering facilities.	YES	NO
Assistance with rangeland restoration.	YES	NO
Cost share for seeding and weed control on fuel breaks constructed during the firefighting event.	YES	NO
Assistance with riparian corridor restoration.	YES	NO
Assistance with wildfire prevention and fuels reduction on forest lands outside of the recently burned area.	YES	NO
Would you consider Beaver Dam Analogs for stream restoration to hold back sediment and reduce stream erosion?	YES	NO
Conservation easement opportunities.	YES	NO

Please list any other wildfire recovery or conservation related activity you would like assistance with if funding is available: