

SANTIAM CANYON WILDFIRE RECOVERY



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An aerial photograph of a mountain valley. The foreground shows a road intersection with a green traffic light. The middle ground is a dense forest of evergreen trees, some with yellow and orange autumn foliage. In the background, there are rolling mountains under a blue sky with light clouds. The text is overlaid on this image.

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MONTHS 11 AFTER THE FIRE

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DWELLING PERMITS ISSUED

As of June 21, 2021 by Jurisdiction

697 Estimated No. of Homes in the Santiam Canyon to Repair or Replace (Marion County)

JURISDICTION	# OF DWELLING PERMITS
Gates	31
Detroit	46
Unincorporated	112
Total	189

As a percentage of the estimated number of homes to repair or replace =

27%

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SEPTIC PERMITS ISSUED

As of June 21, 2021 by Jurisdiction

JURISDICTION	# OF SEPTIC PERMITS ISSUED
Gates	42
Detroit	81
Unincorporated	140
Total	263
Authorizations to Reconnect	81
Permits to Repair	182

As a percentage of the estimated number of homes to repair or replace =

38%

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Property and Hazard Tree Clean Up

Property Clean Up

506 Properties with Signed Right of Entry
324 of 672 Home Sites Cleared (48.2%)

Hazard Tree Removal

Total Number of Hazard Trees – 25,250
Hazard Trees Removed – 10,799 (42.8%)

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COUNTY LED RECOVERY PROJECTS

- FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS
 - Gates and Detroit FY 2021-2022 budgets adopted by July 1, 2021
 - Both cities have good plans in place for tracking grant money from federal, state, and local sources
 - Detroit is caught up on their audits, and work on FY 2020-2021 financial statements will begin this week
 - Gates needs a municipal auditor for FY 2019-2020 and FY 2020-2021
 - Once June 30, 2021 financial statements are complete then new financial forecasts can be completed
- COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH
 - Firm making partner contacts for communications and outreach plan
 - Discussions under way for best path for an updated Recovery website
 - Initial discussion with Gates about website design
- ECONOMIC IMPACT AND OPPORTUNITIES ANALYSIS
 - ECONorthwest started work last week



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- HOUSING
 - County staff prepared and presented three site proposals for temporary and long-term housing initiatives
 - State staff requested further information and follow up
- HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT
 - OSU team started work last week
 - First step will be to identify information sources and partner contacts
- COMMUNITY VISIONING AND STRATEGIC PLANS
 - Better City was in the canyon and Salem area completing interviews
 - Firm provided with a variety of studies to help them understand the overall canyon economy

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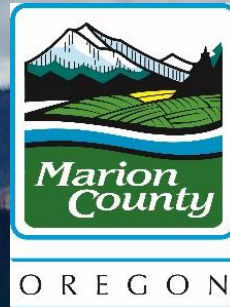


PROGRESS POINTS AND NOTES

- AFTER ACTION REPORT – the July 22 meeting at Santiam High School was well attended and community members offered many valuable observations and recommendations
 - Learned that Mill City is working with Rural Development Initiatives on a Main Street downtown redevelopment project
- The Long-Term Recovery Group is on board with using WorldRenew to help provide a big picture look at losses and needs in the wildfire affected areas
 - Met with the LTRG Interim Manager to discuss recovery efforts
- Did a presentation to the Stayton Rotary Club on the County's recovery program

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