



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM
Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Division

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TO: All Enforcement Staff
FROM: Barry Jones, Manager of Enforcement
SUBJECT: Labor Housing, Emergency Situations

The forest service was told last year by Oregon OSHA that contrary to past practice the labor housing rule could apply to temporary camps set up to fight forest fires.

This memo is to clarify Oregon OSHA's position on this.

Temporary labor camps set up under circumstances of emergencies or natural disasters are not covered by the labor camp standards in either Division 2 or 4. If there are revisions to Division 6 which includes labor camp standards, it also will not apply to emergency labor camps.

This memo supercedes the previous memo dated April 7, 1999 on the same subject.