



2020 OREGON WILDFIRE RECOVERY

OREGON DEBRIS MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE



STEP 2: WILDFIRE ASH AND DEBRIS REMOVAL

The State of Oregon will cover the cost of debris cleanup from the September 2020 wildfires, even if the costs are not fully covered by the Federal Emergency Management Administration. The following chart shows the types of debris that are eligible or ineligible for homes and businesses in Step 2 of the cleanup.

WHAT'S ELIGIBLE FOR STEP 2 CLEANUP

Type of Debris	Eligible for Removal	Not Eligible for Removal
Destroyed house	✓	
Houses with significant damage	✓	
Partially damaged houses		✗ May be eligible if it is a threat to life, public health or safety. This is determined on a case-by-case basis.
Manufactured homes	✓	
Commercial structures	✓	
Combined Use (Commercial & Residential)	✓	
Vehicles, RVs and boats	✓ If on property where a home was destroyed, primary-use vehicles are eligible.	✗ If it is the public right-of-way, the county can remove or owner can have insurer remove. If on private property, collections of vehicle parts or informal junkyards are not eligible.
Destroyed garages, sheds, barns, play structures and other outbuildings	✓	
Foundations	✓ If damaged by fire, these will be removed.	
Below-ground swimming pools		✗ Pools will be fenced.
Driveways and retaining walls	✓ If damaged by fire or poses hazard for cleanup, all or part will be removed.	

Type of Debris	Eligible for Removal	Not Eligible for Removal
Patios		X
Seismic Piers		X
Wells		X
Basements and cellars	✓ If damaged by fire or cleanup, these are eligible for removal.	
Septic tanks	✓ If damaged by fire or cleanup, these are eligible for removal.	
Chimneys	✓	
Docks		X May be eligible if it is a threat to life, public health or safety. This is determined on a case-by-case basis.
Heating oil and fuel tanks <i>(Above ground)</i>	✓	
Heating oil and fuel tanks <i>(Below ground)</i>	✓ If damaged by fire or cleanup, these are eligible for removal.	
Trees		X May be eligible if it is a threat to life, public health or safety. This is determined on a case-by-case basis.
Hazardous household waste	✓ Eligible even for properties that did not participate in Step 1.	