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Crews Contain Early Morning Brush/Grass Fire *Fire burns 1.7 acres near the Willamette River*

Crews from Pleasant Hill – Goshen Fire Districts responded to a reported grass fire shortly after 04:00 am this morning on a remote piece of property, near the bank of the Willamette River off Seavey Loop Rd. A caller reported seeing the fire from Clearwater Park in Springfield along the south bank of the river. Responding crews were able to make access from property owned by The Nature Conservancy near the back side of Mt. Pisgah. On arrival personnel located a fire burning in grass and brush near the bank of the river between a large pond and the river. Due to access issues, firefighters had to hike across a foot bridge to access the fire and work to extinguish the fire. Firefighters used a portable pump to pull water from the nearby pond to extinguish the fire.

Pleasant Hill – Goshen Fire Districts responded with two brush engines and two water tenders as well as two chief officers and a support vehicle. In all 12 firefighters responded to the area and were assisted on scene by the Oregon Department of Forestry and TNC wildland firefighters. The area of this fire is protected by Oregon Department of Forestry. ODF will remain on scene to continue mop up of hot spots. The cause of this fire remains under investigation. This is a great time to remind people that due to extreme fire conditions all outdoor burning is banned. Please exercise caution with outdoor activities to limit the risk of fire.



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The Pleasant Hill - Goshen Fire Districts, established via IGA in 2013, has 4 career staff and 50 volunteer firefighters collectively. Led by Interim Chief Stephen Abel, the districts serve an approximate 45 square-mile area and responds to over 900 calls per year. Goshen-Pleasant Hill Fire Districts work cooperatively under an operational consolidation via an Intergovernmental Agreement. The districts share mutual aid agreements with fire agencies in the cities of Dexter, Lowell, South Lane County, Eugene and Springfield