



## **Columbia River Gorge Commission Statement Regarding Fire Recovery**

The Gorge Commission is united in support of the residents, businesses, and property owners in and around the National Scenic Area who have suffered devastating losses due to the Rowena Fire in Wasco County and the Burdoin Fire in Klickitat County. Our staff and commissioners are dedicated to supporting these communities as they work to rebuild and enhance their resilience. In light of these tragic events, the Gorge Commission is actively reviewing its policies to address the needs of the affected areas and facilitate a smooth recovery process following disasters. We will be seeking your stories and experiences to help us identify your needs.

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If you have experienced loss or damage to structures in the National Scenic Area due to the Burdoin Fire, or if you have questions regarding land use or potential impacts to your property, please reach out to one of our National Scenic Area planners for Klickitat County. We are here to assist you.

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Our office is open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., but we are also available at other times by appointment.

If you have experienced loss or damage to structures in the National Scenic Area due to the Rowena Fire, you can find more information at the [Wasco County Planning Department webpage](#).

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