

Seal Rock Fire Chiefs Report Activity February 2026

The total number of alarms Seal Rock responds to:

- 62 Runs in February 2026

How many in Seal Rock District:

- 55 Runs February 2026

How many in Mutual Aid Out of district:

- 7 February 2026 (6 Yachats, 1 Newport)

Personnel: 44 Seal Rock responders

Operations: the week of February 8th was a dilly for South County and Seal Rock Fire. On Wednesday the 11th South county was hit hard by several high profile and labor intensive calls. First was a person in devils churn. The person had passes away by the time the call came in. It was a Yachats incident and Seal Rock was called to standby at the Yachats station. We were then asked to provide personal to help recover the victim. While that was happening Yachats was tones for a CPR call on King St. Our standby crew responded to this from the Yachats station. So did our crew at station 62.

A bit later there was an ultralight crash at the Winconda Airport. That took several resources and our Seal Rock Crew were first on scene of this. While that was being delt with There was an accidental Gunshot injury on seal Rock Street. We still had 4 responders in district and all four responded to that call.

In total there were 8 south Lincoln County Calls on the 11th. Seal Rock Fire was involved in all 8 calls.

That same week we moved the breathing apparatus air compressor to 61C. We did this to make room for more turnout lockers at the Bayshore station. We now have 10 lockers down there instead of 4. This will help with the clutter at 62.

The week was a long one. Including a response to a structure fire in Newport on that Friday the 13th.

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Training: We are very healthy as a 911 agency. The 43 members of Seal Rock are all in various stages of training. Some brand new some well seasoned and teaching. Chief Munger is putting a group through a compressed FFI academy. I believe 4 weekend trainings in February and March. The weekend of march 7 and 8 there were two days of training with about 20 persons at each. Then this past weekend there was an associated Wildland training at Yachats. Again two days and well attended by all three South County fire agencies as well as East Lincoln Fire. That is about 800 person hours of training in two weekends. I will tell you that no one else in Lincoln County is doing this.

I fear this upcoming fire season is going to be harsh and early. The Snow pack and Eastern rainfall just isn't there. Eather predictions are calling for unseasonably warm weather. Including the La Nina heading our direction. We are preparing for the season and getting our teams ready for possible conflagration



mobilization. To that end our water tender is at the Benton County shops having some repairs done, as well as some preventative maintenance. It should be back soon.

I also submitted an application for the Wildland season staffing grant. I have no reason to think we won't get that grant. That grant will help us with extra staffing during the days for the summer, as usual.