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RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC LANDS Rum Creek Fire Area

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Medford District, Oregon.

ACTION: Rescission of temporary closure of public land in and near the Rum Creek Fire in the Grants Pass Field Office, Medford District.

SUMMARY: This notice rescinds the emergency closure of BLM-administered public lands, roads, sites, and trails in Josephine County originally issued on August 22, 2022, and most recently updated on May 17, 2024, associated with the Rum Creek Fire.

The public is cautioned that although the area is now open conditions in burned areas will remain potentially hazardous for the foreseeable future. Hazardous conditions include fire weakened trees and limbs that may fall, loose rock, ash and dust that may be toxic or carcinogenic, and soils with reduced stability. Burned areas may also be more fragile and susceptible to damage from use. The public is urged to avoid burned areas, and to use extreme caution if they do enter these areas. The public is also reminded that all laws protecting public lands and resources from damage or unauthorized use remain in place; violators can be prosecuted, and convictions can lead to fines or imprisonment.

This rescission does not change the status of any other BLM closure or fire restriction orders.

AFFECTED AREA: The following are now open under this rescission:

Portions of BLM administered lands along the Rainie Falls Trail in T34S R8W – Sections 1, 2

EFFECTIVE DATE: This change will take effect immediately upon signing on September 20, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kyle Sullivan, Public Affairs Specialist, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford OR 97504, telephone (541) 618-2340. This notice and the closure map is also available online at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/oregon-washington/fire-restrictions>.

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Date