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Tioga Improvements on North Umpqua Trail

Roseburg, OR - The Bureau of Land Management, Roseburg District has recently completed the first 1.5 miles of a two year project to repair approximately 3 miles of the 16 mile long Tioga section of the North Umpqua Trail. Numerous landslides, culvert blowouts, bridge damage and trail washouts have occurred above the midpoint of the Tioga section over the last 10 years. A locked gate has been installed on BLM Road 26-2-21.0 which will prevent additional damage caused by motorized use on this section of trail and promote single track conditions preferred by trail users. The gate will still allow access for hikers, mountain bikers, and equestrian users. Questions, please contact Erik Taylor in the Roseburg District BLM Office at 541-440-4930.

About the BLM -- The BLM manages more land – 258 million surface acres – than any other Federal agency. Most of this public land is located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM, with a budget of about \$1.8 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The BLM accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, and cultural resources on the public lands.

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