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Grayback Mountain Trail Dedication Ceremony

Medford, OR, October 10, 2006 – The Grayback Mountain Trail Dedication Ceremony will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2006, at the Brush Riders Arena, 155 Davidson Road, Williams, Oregon. This ceremony dedicates the 6 mile long Grayback Mountain Trail, which was built by a partnership between the community of Williams, dedicated recreationists, and the Bureau of Land Management and US Forest Service.

“The BLM appreciates the hard work and dedication of the Williams community and our partners to make this trail become a reality,” said Abbie Jossie, Field Manager for the Grants Pass Resource Area.

The six-mile long Grayback Mountain Trail began as an idea in the mid-1980s by the local equestrian groups and the Sierra Club. Work began on the trail in 1989. Since 1990, volunteer groups have worked on the trail over the years, including three National Public Lands Day events from 2000-2002.

The Grayback Mountain Trail is open to hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking. The trail provides a low elevation access point to thousands of miles of trail, including the Forest Service Boundary Trail and the Pacific Crest Trail, as well as access to the Oregon Caves and the Red Buttes Wilderness.

Everyone is invited to attend this community celebration. The ceremony will begin at 1:00 p.m. and refreshments will be provided. For more information contact Jeanne Klein at (541) 471-6614 or Jim Roper at (541) 471-6631.

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