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## **BLM Initiates Prescribed Burning to Reduce Hazardous Fuels**

**Lakeview, OR** - The Lakeview Resource Area of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plans to initiate prescribed burning southeast of Adel the first week of October.

Approximately 3650 acres of juniper are scheduled to be burned on public lands throughout the Coleman Rim area. The primary objectives of this burn are the reduction of hazardous fuels and improvement of bighorn sheep habitat. Depending upon weather conditions, ignitions are projected to continue for one week. While smoke is expected to disperse from the fires fairly quickly, it may be visible throughout the Warner Valley.

An additional 4,100 acres of pile burns are planned throughout the fall and winter on BLM-managed lands near Silver Lake, Crack in the Ground and Coleman Rim, as the weather allows.

Fire crews from the U.S. Forest Service will assist the BLM with all scheduled burn activities.

“The reduction of fuels through prescribed fire application has many ecological benefits,” said James Price, prescribed fire and fuels planner. “It decreases wildfire hazard, promotes rangeland health and restores wildlife habitat.”

For more information about these prescribed fires, please call the BLM at (541) 947-2177.

### 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 Bureau, 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 Bureau 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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