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## South Fork John Day Road Temporary Closure

DAYVILLE—The South Fork of the John Day Road between Izee and Dayville will be temporarily closed during daylight hours next week due to a core drilling project. The road will be closed to public access between September 24-26 at a location just south of the junction with Grant County Road 42 (approximately 25.9 miles south of Dayville near Izee Falls on the South Fork of the John Day River).

The road has been slumping at this location since before 2004. By core drilling the road in several locations, the BLM can identify the appropriate foundation materials to use for repairing the road. A single “Geoprobe” drill be used for the project. For additional information, contact Dana Cork at the Prineville District BLM office at (541) 416-6797.

The Bureau of Land Management 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 Bureau of Land Management’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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