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Pile Burning Planned South of Prineville

Prineville—Prineville District Bureau of Land Management fire specialists are tentatively planning to burn two piles of woody debris south of Prineville Thursday or Friday this week. The piles are comprised of construction wood illegally dumped onto public land several years ago.

While not expected to impact residents, some smoke may be visible in the Juniper Canyon area. No public use restrictions are anticipated for the nearby Prineville Reservoir.

The BLM will follow policies outlined in the Oregon Department of Forestry smoke management plan, which governs controlled burns, and attempts to minimize impacts to visibility and public health.

The burn may be postponed to a later date if weather conditions are unfavorable. For more information, contact Prineville District, BLM at (541) 416-6700.