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Campground hosts needed in eastern Oregon

VALE, Oregon – The U.S. Bureau of Land Management is seeking volunteer campground hosts for Spring Rec campground on the banks of Brownlee Reservoir and Chukar Park campground near Juntura. If spending your summer kibitzing with anglers on Hells Canyon or overseeing a quiet, high-desert retreat appeals to you, this may be the opportunity you're looking for.

The Spring Rec host position begins April 1, and the Chukar Park host is scheduled to begin the following month. Both positions will be filled through mid to late October, but may be filled on a shorter, shared basis if necessary. A small stipend will be provided to the individuals or couples selected to serve as hosts.

To qualify for a host assignment, volunteers must enjoy the outdoors and living in a secluded camping environment, be able to communicate with and assist recreational visitors, pass a background investigation, be in good health, and enjoy talking with travelers about recreation opportunities in the area. Hosts must provide a self-contained trailer, camper or motor home and must be willing to work at the site weekends and most days of the week. The BLM will provide a free host site, water, and electricity.

Interested volunteers who wish to inquire about or apply for the position should contact Polly Gribskov at the Baker Resource Area, BLM, 3165 10th Street, Baker City, Oregon 97814 (541) 523-1353, or Bob Alward, at the Vale District Office, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918 (541) 473-3144.

Spring Rec is located about 45 miles southeast of Baker City near Huntington, Oregon. Spring Rec is a developed facility located on the banks of Brownlee Reservoir on the Snake River at the southern end of what is commonly referred to as Hells Canyon. The site encompasses 16 acres of natural landscaping, shade trees, and gravel roads. Site amenities include parking lots with undefined campsites which will serve approximately 20 RVs and 10 walk-in campsites, vault toilets, picnic tables, drinking water, a fish-cleaning station, a boat ramp with dock, and boat trailer parking. A BLM fire-fighting crew is stationed adjacent to this location.

Chukar Park has 18 campsites, vault toilets, running water and is located on the banks of the Malheur River 6 miles north of Juntura on Beulah Reservoir Road.

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