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## **Sign up for SRV firefighter positions**

**Vale, Oregon** – The Bureau of Land Management is gearing up for the 2006 Snake River Valley firefighter program. Sign up for the work capacity fitness test (pack test) begins April 3 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, at the Vale BLM SRV Office, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon, (541) 473-6280.

Approximately 100 new Snake River Valley firefighters will be trained this year. Applicants need to be at least 18 years of age. Interested firefighters will need to pick up an application and apply at the Ontario Employment Office, 375 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Ontario, OR (541) 889-5394. Applications will NOT be available at other locations. The application deadline is May 31, or when 100 positions have been filled, whichever is earlier.

Returning firefighters (those employed any year between 2002 and 2005) should schedule their pack test with the SRV Office for no later than June 22. Returning firefighters age 45 or older will need to pick up a Wildland Firefighters (Arduous Duty) Federal Interagency Annual Medical History and Clearance Form and have it completed prior to taking the work capacity fitness test. Forms can be picked up at the Vale BLM SRV Office. Returning firefighters under the age of 44 will need to complete a Health Screen Questionnaire prior to taking the work capacity fitness test.

Appointments for the pack test can be scheduled by calling the SRV Office at (541) 473-6280 or coming to the office.

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