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## Media Advisory

### BLM Conducts Controlled Burning to Reduce Threat of Wildfire

**Klamath Falls, OR** – The Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) Klamath Falls Resource Area plans to initiate controlled burning next week.

Two burns are planned to treat 550 acres of public land. Both are located six miles southwest of Keno. One is in an area of high recreational use next to the Klamath River and the other is adjacent to the Pleasant Valley Highlands subdivision northwest of Dorris.

The primary objective of these burns is the reduction of compiled hazardous fuels to decrease the threat of wildfire and improve wildlife habitat. Burning will occur when the moisture content of the forest’s fuels reach appropriate levels for firefighters to achieve the desired outcome, while minimizing risk. Smoke is expected to disperse from the fires fairly quickly, but may be visible from Highway 97 and surrounding communities.

Fire crews from the Oregon Department of Forestry and U.S. Forest Service will assist the BLM with burn activities.

For more information about these prescribed fires, please call the BLM at (541) 883-6916.

#### About the BLM

The BLM manages more land – 256 million acres – than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 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, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

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