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Rogue National Wild & Scenic River 2007 Regulated Use Season Lottery Begins December 1

MEDFORD, OR – November 22, 2006 – Lottery applications for noncommercial boaters to apply for a 2007 permit to float during the 2007 white water rafting season on the wild section of the Rogue National Wild and Scenic River begins Friday, December 1. Noncommercial float lottery application permits are accepted by the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Smullin Visitor Center at Rand from December 1, 2006 through January 31, 2007.

Permits are required from May 15 through October 15 to float the Rogue's wild section (Grave Creek to Watson Creek). The noncommercial float permit is good for one specific launch date during the 2007 Regulated Use Season. The cost to apply is \$6.00 per application. Only one application is accepted per person.

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The annual Rogue River lottery is administered by the BLM. On December 1, 2006, lottery instructions will be posted on BLM's website at

http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/rogue/index.htm.

The lottery drawing takes place in February 2007. Lottery applicant winners are notified by mail and successful applicants are posted by last name in early March on the BLM web site at http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/rogue/index.htm.

Applicants who do not receive a permit through the lottery may be able to obtain cancelled or unused spaces beginning April 2, 2007 by calling the Smullin Visitor Center at Rand.

To obtain 2007 Rogue River float lottery application instructions and information, contact BLM at:

•	Smullin Visitor Center	or	Grants Pass Interagency Office
	14335 Galice Road		2164 NE Spalding Ave.
	Merlin, OR 97532		Grants Pass, OR 97526
	Phone: 541/ 479-3735		Phone: 541/471-6647 or 471-6648
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