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BLM LIFTS PUBLIC USE RESTRICTIONS

Industrial fire precaution drops to 1

Hines, Ore. – Cooler temperatures and a bit of moisture have allowed U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) fire officials to reduce the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) to one – closed season – and lift public use restrictions within the Burns Interagency Fire Zone (BIFZ), effective Monday, September 28.

Campfires outside established campgrounds are allowed in areas clear of flammable vegetation and cold to the touch when left unattended.

BIFZ Fire Management Officer Ken Hagle said, “The removal of public use restrictions on public lands does not eliminate the potential for wildfire. Fire danger is moderate, but it does still exist.” All travelers are encouraged to use caution when recreating outdoors this fall.

For more information on the IFPL, public use restrictions or regulated fire closures, call the Burns Interagency Communication Center at (541) 573-4545. **To report a wildfire, call (541) 573-1000.**

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