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FIRE RESTRICTIONS LIFTED, INDUSTRIAL FIRE PRECAUTION LEVEL TO 1

HINES, Oregon – Recent cooler temperatures have allowed U.S. Bureau of Land Management fire officials to reduce the Industrial Fire Precaution Level to 1, effective Thursday, October 1. In addition, all fire restrictions and regulated fire closures on BLM-administered lands within the Burns Interagency Fire Zone (BIFZ) will be lifted on Friday, October 2.

With the reduced restrictions, many activities on public land can resume after a period of closure during fire season. Firewood cutting and machine operation are now permitted, with a one hour fire watch required after shut-down. Also, campfires outside established campgrounds are allowed in areas clear of flammable vegetation and cold to the touch when left unattended. Ignition of fireworks on public land remains prohibited.

BIFZ Fire Management Officer Steve Morefield said, “The removal of public use restrictions does not eliminate the potential for wildfire. Fire danger does still exist and all travelers are encouraged to take extreme care when visiting public lands this fall.”

For more information on fire restrictions, regulated fire closures, the Industrial Fire Precaution Level or current fire activity, call (541) 573-4545. To report a wildfire, call (541) 573-1000.

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