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Landslides Force Forest Road Closures

North Bend, Ore. – Two Bureau of Land Management forest roads are now closed by landslides that occurred after recent wet weather.

The East Fork Brummet Road (#27-09-21.0) is closed indefinitely at milepost 3.5. This road failure blocks vehicle access to the Doerner Fir trailhead. Those visitors still wishing to hike to the Doerner Fir can park their vehicles on the road before the slide and hike approximately one mile to the trailhead. Forest road engineers are still evaluating the damage and a time frame for repair is not available at this time.

Weaver Road (#28-08-18.0) is closed at milepost 7.5 by a complete road failure. This road suffered additional damage in the 2012 winter storms and is scheduled for repair during the summers of 2014 and 2015.

BLM road crews continue to assess roads for damage and updates on forest road conditions are available by calling the Coos Bay District Office at 541-756-0100. Those traveling in the woods should use caution, as downed trees and rocks may be on roadways.

About BLM
The BLM manages more land – 245 million surface 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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