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Annual Lower Umpqua Tree Plant April 8th

Reedsport, Ore. – The 69th Annual Lower Umpqua Tree Plant will take place on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9 a.m. The event is the oldest, continuous tree plant in the United States, with the first tree plant being held in 1946.

Over one hundred fourth and fifth grade students from Reedsport and Elkton will learn about forest management while they plant trees in a previous cut stand near Weatherly Creek, off of Highway 38 east of Reedsport. The tree plant is followed by a hot dog lunch for the kids and volunteers at Scottsburg Park.

The tree plant is made possible with the help of Roseburg Resources, Oregon Department of Forestry, the Bureau of Land Management, and other private and public partners.

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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