FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 19, 2008
Contact: Megan Harper (541) 751-4353
OR120-08-14

Slide Closes Smith River Road

Reedsport, OR – Smith River Road is closed due to a large rock slide that occurred Friday night. The slide blocks one full lane of the road just west of Smith River Falls. The road is posted closed at the Highway 101 and 38 junctions.

Bureau of Land Management road maintenance crews will blast large boulders and remove the remaining debris today. The road is expected to re-open sometime tomorrow.

About BLM
The BLM manages more land – 258 million surface acres – than any other Federal agency. Most of this public land is located in 12 Western States, including Alaska. The BLM, with a budget of about $1.8 billion, also administers 700 million acres of subsurface 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 BLM accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, and cultural resources on the public lands.

-#-