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New and Improved Millican Cliffs Area

Prineville, OR – After 10 years of clean-up and heavy lifting, the Millican Cliffs Area of the Prineville District of the Bureau of Land Management has a new and safer look. Millican Cliffs is located approximately eight miles from Prineville on George Millican Road and 26 miles from Hwy 20.

Multiple public land clean-up projects, conducted by the BLM over the years, have used helicopters and cranes to lift debris, tires, abandoned automobiles and boats out of the Crooked River Canyon. Fifty to sixty people have been involved in the efforts.

Visitors are welcome to hike into the area, but cautioned to hike and climb safely. The northern tip of the Millican Plateau area will now be closed to motor vehicles. The area is also closed to firearm discharge, unless legally hunting, as well as the surrounding area. The closures are in response to chronic dumping and vandalism problems between the BLM boundary and the power line crossing at Millican/West Butte Road.

Many people and organizations have contributed to the clean-up effort. These partners include: *Quail Valley Ranch, Oregon Military Department, Youth Challenge Program, Heart of Oregon Youth Crews, Central Oregon Fire Services, Jefferson County Community Justice Program*, and individual volunteers. The most recent clean-up removed eight vehicles, three motorcycles, 700 tires, several boats and many tons of debris.

The Millican Cliffs Area is cooperatively managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Prineville District of the BLM, and the Oregon Military Department, who conducts infantry exercises in the area. Additional information about the Prineville District is available online at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/index.php>

About the BLM: The BLM manages more land – 256 million 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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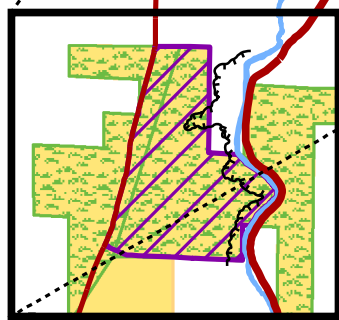
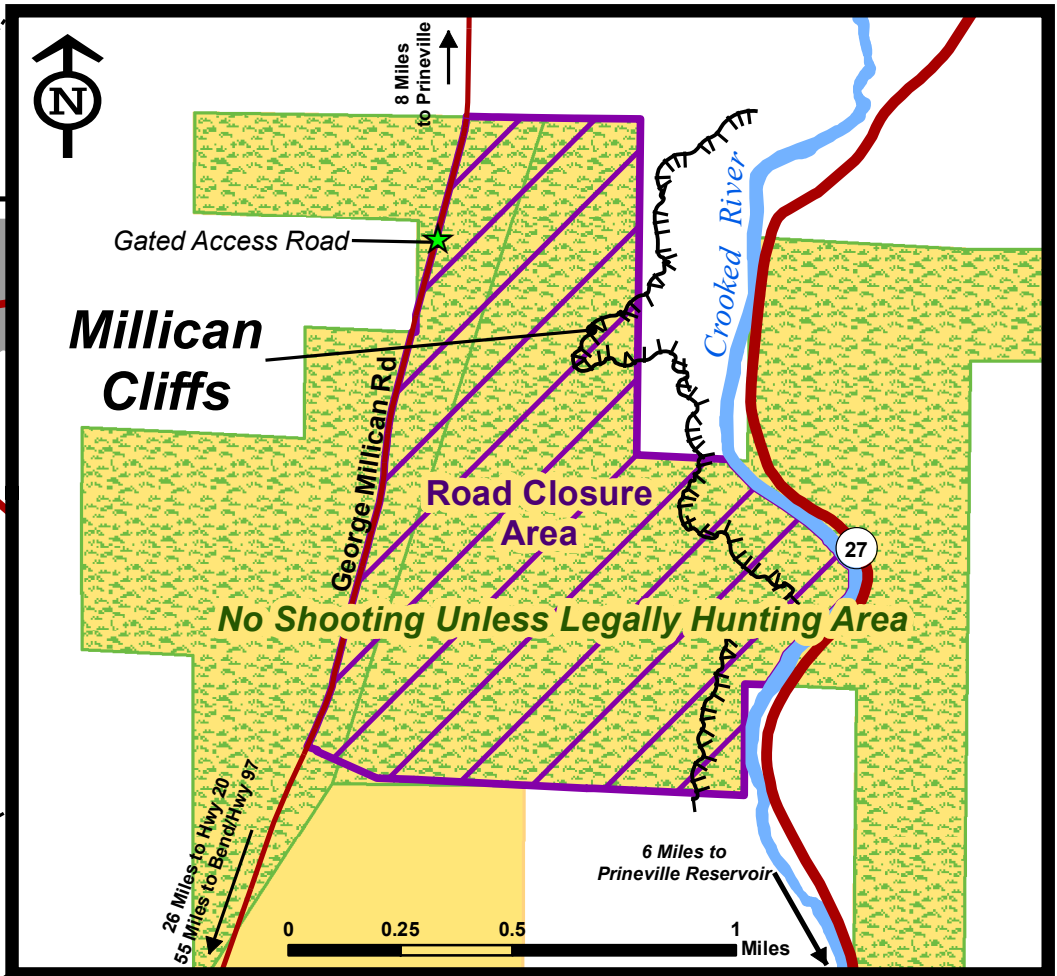
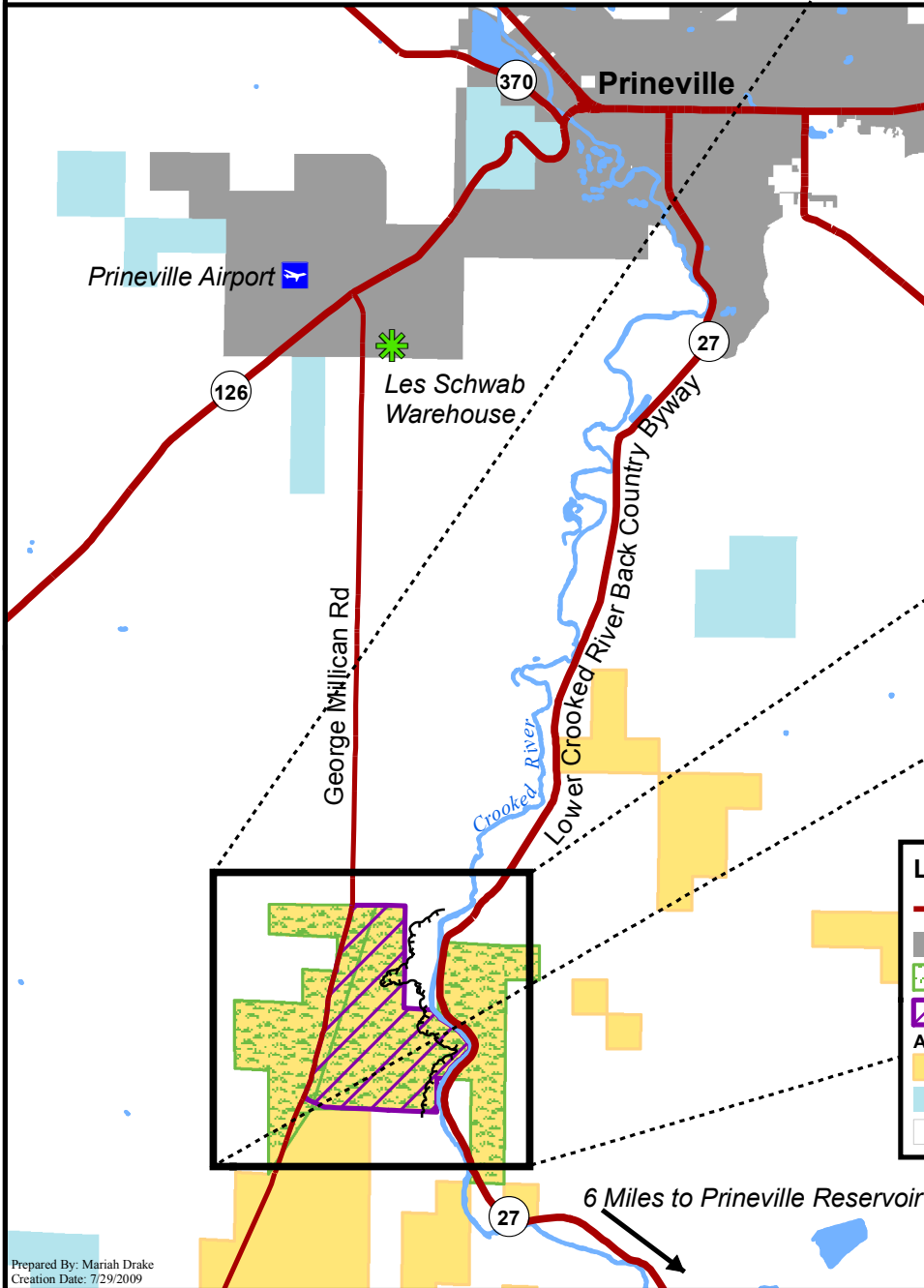
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Millican Cliffs

Vicinity Map



Legend

- Major Roads and Highways
- Prineville City Limits
- No Shooting Unless Legally Hunting Area
- Road Closure Area

Administered Lands

- Bureau of Land Management
- State
- Private/Unknown

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