BLM Fundraises for Local Charities

(Roseburg, OR) During the six week Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) that ran from October through November, 2014, Roseburg BLM employees raised $28,000.25 for local, national and international non-profit organizations. Funds were raised through creative employee-driven events such as a breakfast burrito feed, bake sale, a silent auction and a live oral auction.

The live oral auction was the primary fundraiser, garnering $21,006.00 of the total. Relying primarily on contributions from BLM employees and their families, this year’s donations included handmade jewelry, gift certificates to local businesses and many homemade goods, handcrafted items and baskets with all varieties of goodies.

Roseburg BLM District Manager, Abbie Jossie said, “It is heartwarming to see the creativity and generosity of the Roseburg District’s employees. We welcome this time of year where we can give back to the great community we live and work.”

Since 1977, the Roseburg District has raised $591,029.00 through the CFC. Locally, the Greater Douglas County United Way administers the CFC campaign for federal offices located in Coos, Curry and Douglas County.

Throughout the country and internationally, more than 300 CFC campaigns help to raise millions of dollars for charity. Pledges made by federal, civilian, postal and military donors during the campaign season support eligible non-profit organizations that provide health and human service benefits throughout the world.

The BLM manages more land – more than 245 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.