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## Fire Closure Lifted on BLM Lands in Washington State

**Spokane** – Effective October 4, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is ending the regulated fire closure on public lands it manages in the state of Washington. The fire closure is no longer necessary due to recent precipitation and cooler temperatures.

BLM asks the public to use caution when operating motorized vehicles on roads and trails that have areas of high grass and vegetation and to ensure campfires are out before leaving the area.

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About the BLM: The BLM manages 245 million acres of public land known as the National System of Public Lands. The lands are primarily located in 12 Western states, including 75 million acres in Alaska. With a budget of about \$1 billion, the bureau 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.

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