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Federal Agencies Plan for Prescribed Fire

HINES, Ore. – Fire crews from the Burns Interagency Fire Zone expect to carry out at least three prescribed fires in Harney County within the coming weeks:

- 350 acres of forest underburning in the Egypt Well area, 25 miles west of Burns along the 4130 road;
- 50 acres of forest underburning in the East Cow Creek area, 20 miles northeast of Burns off the Pujade Road; and,
- 400 acres of jackpot burning in the Otis Mountain area, 10 miles northwest of Drewsey off the Bluebucket Road.

Prescribed fire is intended to reduce fuel loading and the risk of catastrophic large wildfires and improve wildlife habitat. The Burns Interagency Fire Zone does a number of prescribed fire projects annually to develop more fire resilient and healthier ecosystems.

Burning will occur as weather and fuel moisture conditions allow. There will be noticeable smoke and increased traffic around prescribed fire areas. The public should be aware of the activity and avoid the project sites as much as possible.

For further information on prescribed burning in Harney County, contact the Burns District Bureau of Land Management office at (541) 573-4400, or online at:

www.blm.gov/or/resources/fire/prescribedburns

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