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BLM Personal-Use Firewood Permits Available April 15

Klamath Falls, OR – Personal-use firewood permits will be on sale at the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) Klamath Falls Resource Area beginning April 15, 2009.

Permits may be obtained at 2795 Anderson Ave., Building 25, in Klamath Falls. Office hours are 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The cost is \$5 per cord. There is a two-cord minimum purchase for every transaction and a maximum of eight cords may be bought per household each year. A cord is defined as a stack of split wood that is four feet wide by four feet high by eight feet in length.

Woodcutters are required to comply with all permit terms and conditions. This includes conformance with Industrial Fire Precaution Level restrictions in effect during periods of elevated wildfire danger. Permits are non-refundable, authorized for use only on BLM-managed lands and may not be transferred to another party. Each permit must be validated and attached to the load in a visible location prior to any cut wood being transported.

Maps identifying BLM firewood cutting areas will be provided at the time of purchase. Some roads to these areas may be inaccessible at this time due to weather conditions. Woodcutters are advised to contact the BLM and obtain current road access information prior to planning any woodcutting activities.

“Road conditions, firewood cutting area requirements and chainsaw use restrictions are subject to change,” said Donald Holmstrom, Field Manager of the Klamath Falls Resource Area. “It’s the woodcutter’s responsibility to obtain, understand and follow the rules in effect at the time and place where they are cutting firewood.”

For more information about personal-use firewood permits, please call the BLM at (541) 883-6916.

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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