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## FIRE DANGER INCREASES ACROSS SOUTH CENTRAL OREGON

**Lakeview, Ore.** – Effective today, the fire danger level has been changed from low to moderate on lands administered by the Lakeview District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Fremont-Winema National Forests. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) remains at IFPL I.

Information regarding restrictions that apply to ODF protected lands may be obtained by calling (541) 883-5681 or visiting the following Web site:

<http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/FIRE/precautionlevel.shtml>

Under IFPL I, the following fire precautionary requirements are placed on power saw operations:

- All power saw exhaust systems must be in good repair and include a screen-type spark arrester of 0.023 inches or less.
- All power saw operators must be in possession of the following equipment:
  - A long-handled, round point shovel with a blade not less than eight inches wide; and
  - A pressurized chemical fire extinguisher of not less than eight ounces capacity by weight.
- Before refueling a power saw, the refueling spot must be clear of all flammable material, including vegetation. The chainsaw must be restarted only after the operator has moved away from the refueling area.
- All power saw operators must stay in the cutting area for one hour after the chainsaw is shut off to watch for fire starts.

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Personal and commercial woodcutters are reminded of their responsibility to stay informed of current IFPLs and all restrictions that apply to activities conducted on public lands. Failure to comply with fire precautionary requirements may result in the issuance of a Violation Notice.

Information on the IFPL or current restrictions may be obtained at 541-883-6831 for Klamath Falls Interagency Fire Center or 541-947-6259 for Lakeview Interagency Fire Center.

Additional information on IFPL I can be found at the following Web sites:

**Lakeview Interagency Fire Center**

<http://www.scofmp.org/lifc.shtml>

**Klamath Falls Interagency Fire Center**

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/kfifc/intel.html>

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