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## Volunteers Aid Prineville BLM in Cline Buttes

**Redmond, Ore.** – Volunteers from organizations around Central Oregon are gathering to help put the finishing touches on the Maston Trail area and begin the trail building process in the Historic Tumalo Canal Trail area this Saturday, April 13. Both Trail Use Areas are part of the Cline Buttes Recreation Area located west of Redmond near Eagle Crest.

Members of the Cline Buttes Recreation Association, the Archaeological Society of Central Oregon, Oregon Equestrian Trails, Central Oregon Trail Alliance, Redmond Area Parks and Recreation Department, the City of Redmond, Eagle Crest, and the Eagle Crest Homeowners Association have been invited to participate in this event. Youth from the Heart of Oregon will also be working on the projects.

Members of the public are welcome to join the volunteer day. Work will run from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with volunteers gathering at the Maston Trailhead off of Newcomb Road. People planning to volunteer should bring gloves, lunch and water, and plan to sign a volunteer agreement.

Can't make the volunteer day? Everyone is invited to come out to Cline Buttes and hike the trails to help get them established. "Tumalo and Maston are great areas to hike, especially in the spring," said Greg Currie, Landscape Architect with the BLM. "The more foot traffic we get, the more fixed these trails will be. We would just encourage visitors to stay on the newly created trails and follow the markings."

For more information about this volunteer event, please call the Prineville BLM Office at (541) 416-6700. More information about the Cline Butte Recreation Area can be found on the Prineville BLM webpage at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/recreation/cline/index.php>

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