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BLM Reduces Wildlife Closure at Trout Creek Climbing Wall

MADRAS, Ore. -- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Prineville District Office is reducing the seasonal wildlife closure at the Trout Creek Climbing Area, located about 10 miles northeast of Madras, Oregon along the Lower Deschutes River.

BLM biologists have monitored the eagles nesting in the area and have determined that the closure can now be reduced to allow climbing. The trails and climbing routes on the North Wall and South Wall are now open, while the climbing routes on the Cool Wall remain closed. The trail to the Cool Wall also remains closed, as hikers below the nesting areas can also disturb the birds and cause them to abandon the nest. The Cool Wall trail and route closure will remain closed until August 31st, or until biologists have determined the young eagles have left the nest (fledged).

A map of the Trout Creek closure area, as well as other seasonal wildlife closures, can be found on the Prineville BLM's alerts/notices webpage at:

www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/fire/alerts.php

For more information about wildlife closures, please contact the Prineville BLM at (541) 416-6700. You can also find more information about the Prineville District at:

www.blm.gov/or/districts/prineville/index.php

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