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## Volunteers Help Clean Up Cow Creek Back Country Byway

**(Roseburg, OR)** – The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) held a successful National Public Lands Day (NPLD) along the Cow Creek Backcountry Byway on Saturday, September 25, 2010, with volunteers helping remove trash, invasive plant species and unauthorized fire rings from public lands.

“We had over 55 volunteers and eight BLM employees clean up an estimated 1,500 pounds of garbage,” said Ariel Hiller, Volunteer Coordinator for the BLM. “We had excellent representation from Riddle High School, Boy Scout Troops #56 and #114, the Douglas County Juvenile Department and several neighbors along the Byway turned out to help.” Several volunteers that participated in last year’s NPLD returned this year to lend a helping hand.

Volunteers collected and removed over 20 vehicle tires, dug 100 invasive Scotch Broom plants and brushed over 200 feet of trail. An estimated 20 user created fire rings were cleaned and dispersed during the course of day.

NPLD is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands Americans enjoy.

To see photos from the event, please visit the following link: <http://blm.gov/j54c>

To see a list of all NPLD sites, activities, contacts, and downloadable photos from past events, please visit the Media Center section of [www.publiclandsday.org](http://www.publiclandsday.org)

For more information about the Roseburg BLM visit:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/index.php>

The BLM manages more land – more than 245 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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