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Volunteers Turn Out for 11th Annual Cow Creek Byway Clean-up!

Roseburg, Ore. Over 60 volunteers this year turned out to support the 11th annual Cow Creek Byway cleanup effort, in conjunction with National Public Lands Day. Volunteers removed over 500 pounds of garbage, eight tires, three TVs, and six mattresses. Materials were collected south of Riddle, Oregon, along the Cow Creek Back Country Byway, managed by the Roseburg District Bureau of Land Management.

“This year went great!” said Steve Lydick, South River Field Manager. “We had a really good turnout from the community. I want to especially thank the Riddle Junior High students who attended, the many community members, and the BLM employees and family that came out to participate.”



Special thanks also goes to Robert Paul, Director of Douglas County Public Works, for donating disposal fees for the cleanup effort and Randy Gunn and Tom Roberts with Riddle High School for bringing enthusiastic students that brushed out trails, removed invasive species, and picked up litter.

Information about the Cow Creek Back Country Byway system can be found at:
www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/byways.php

Photos from the event are available on Flickr at:

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