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BLM to perform prescribed burn at North Bank Habitat Management Area

Roseburg, Ore. – The BLM is planning to burn approximately 140 acres within the North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA), approximately three miles southeast of Sutherlin, Ore., along North Bank Road, beginning Tuesday, October 7, and ending by Friday, October 10, 2014.

The prescribed burn is an effort to reduce fuel loading and improve forage for the Columbian white-tailed deer. The burn will encourage new growth of grasses and herbs and help maintain Columbian white-tailed deer habitat.

The North Bank Habitat Management Area was set aside to provide secure habitat for the Columbian white-tailed deer and was instrumental in securing the delisting of the species from the threatened list.

For further information on the NBHMA please visit the following page:

http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/north_bank.php

The burn is being designed and accomplished in cooperation with the Douglas Forest Protective Association, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

For further information please contact Krisann Kosel, Fire Ecologist with the BLM Roseburg District at (541) 440-4930.

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