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## Help Clean Up the Cow Creek Back Country Byway!

*Roseburg, Ore.* – Please join us at the Island Creek Day Use Area and participate in a clean-up of the Cow Creek Back Country Byway. The National Public Lands Day event will take place on Friday, September 16, 2016.

“This is the 15<sup>th</sup> year the community has participated in the yearly cleanup of this beautiful area,” said Suzanne Shelp, Outdoor Recreation Planner for the Roseburg District.

The Island Creek Day-Use Area is located approximately 10 miles southwest of Riddle, Oregon, along the Cow Creek Back Country Byway. Work begins at 9:00 a.m. and will end at approximately 12:30 p.m.

This event is part of hundreds of events occurring across the nation in celebration of National Public Lands Day (NPLD).

The public lands are owned by all Americans, managed with pride by Americans, and used for the benefit of our great nation. Come out and participate in an event that supports public lands in your area.

The BLM will provide trash grabbers, work gloves, water, trash bags, safety vests, and lunch. Please wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen and long sleeved shirt and long pants are recommended. Each volunteer will receive a t-shirt for participating. Information regarding the Cow Creek Back Country Byway system may be found at: <http://blm.gov/cfmd>

Please contact Suzanne Shelp at 541-464-3291 or [sshelp@blm.gov](mailto:sshelp@blm.gov) for further information.

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