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Alsea Falls Mountain Bike Trail Segments Detoured Week Days

Salem, Ore. -- Beginning May 16, 2016, the BLM Salem District will temporarily close portions of the mountain biking trail system at Alsea Falls to ensure the safety of the public during active timber operations. The temporary closure will be in effect Mondays through Fridays. The entire Fall Creek Mountain Bike Trail System will be open to foot and bike traffic on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Fall-Cole Timber Sale has been sharing some roads with the Fall Creek Trail System over the last year. The road renovation period for the timber sale, beginning May 16, will significantly increase the number of large trucks on Fall Creek Road and make it unsafe for timber operations and recreationalists to use the same road at the same time.

The BLM has developed an alternate route for mountain bikers to access the majority of the trail system during the temporary closure period. The BLM will provide maps and detour route signing at the site. The map can also be viewed on the BLM Salem District Website at: <http://blm.gov/xrmd>

The trails, built in partnership with the Corvallis-based group Team Dirt, are a gravity-assisted system designed for users of all abilities and skill levels. The weekday temporary closure of the roads and trails will continue until the end of the Fall-Cole Timber Sale Contract, November 2017, unless rescinded earlier by the BLM. To learn more about this awesome trail system head on over to:

http://www.blm.gov/mountainbike/oregon_washington/alseafalls.html

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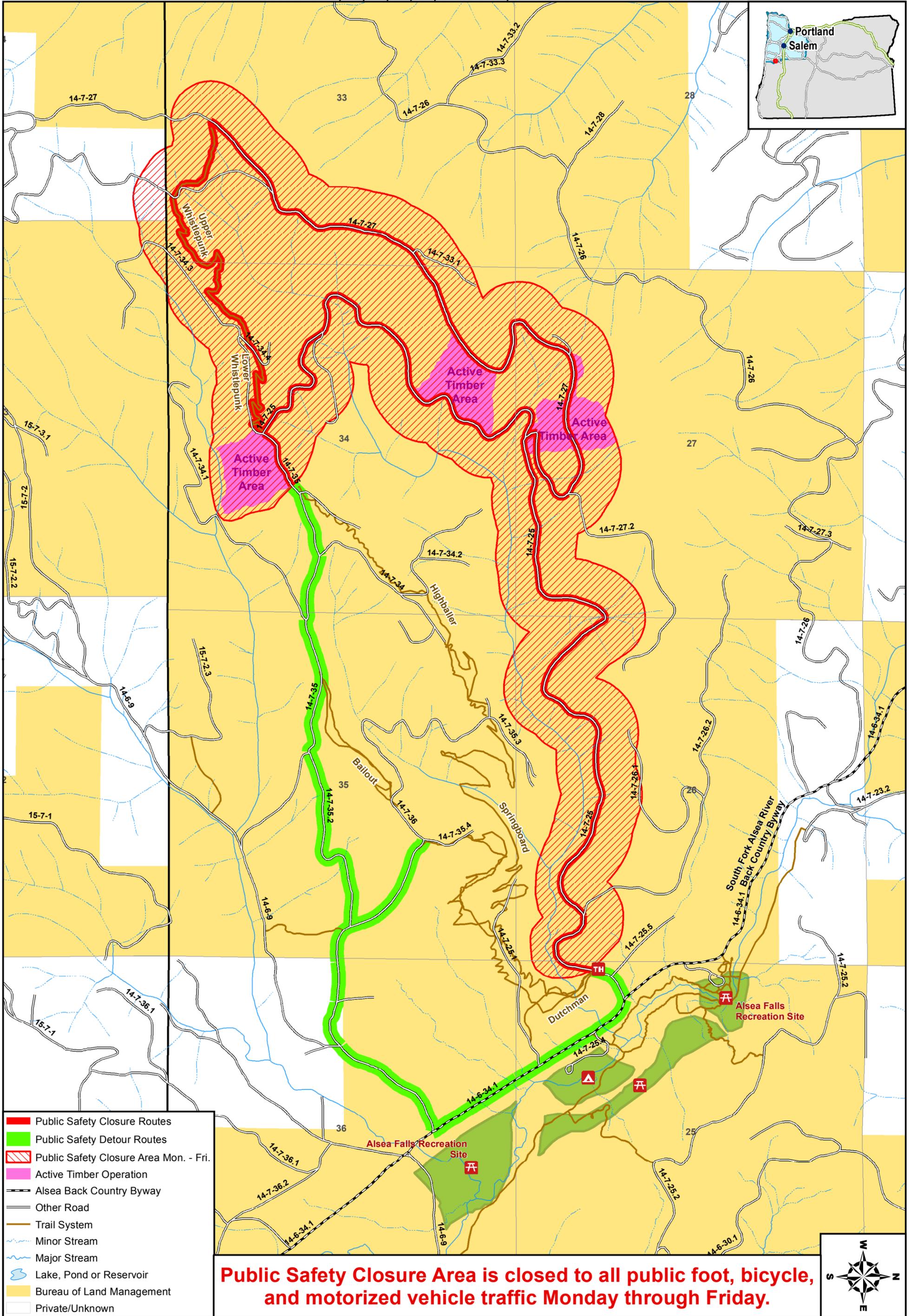
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Active Timber Operation Closure Area: Monday - Friday Alesa Falls Trail System

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Public Safety Closure Area is closed to all public foot, bicycle, and motorized vehicle traffic Monday through Friday.

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