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Towell Falls Road Closed to Vehicle Traffic for Fire Season

Spokane, WA – Due to increased fire danger, the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Spokane District is beginning a seasonal closure of Towell Falls Road to motorized traffic.

The route, typically open from April to June, is particularly susceptible to wildfire ignition from vehicle use due to the presence of tall vegetation on the roadway during the summer season.

The Rock Creek management area, located 20 miles south of Sprague, Washington, can still be accessed on foot, horseback, and bike.

For more information about the Rock Creek management area, please call the BLM Spokane District Office at (509) 536-1200 or visit

http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/site_info.php?siteid=271

For more information about fire restrictions in eastern Washington, visit

www.blm.gov/or/districts/spokane/files/BLM_Implements_Fire_Restrictions_Across_Eastern_Washington_final.pdf

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