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Call for BLM's SRV Wildland Firefighters

Vale, Oregon – The Bureau of Land Management's Snake River Valley Firefighting Program is preparing for the 2010 fire season. Approximately 100 new Snake River Valley Firefighters will be trained this year. Applicants need to be at least 18 years of age.

Interested firefighters need to apply and pick up their application at the Ontario Employment Department located at: 375 SW 2nd Ave. Ontario, Oregon, 97914 (541.889.5394). Applications will NOT be available at any other locations. The application dateline is June 2, 2010, or when 100 positions have been filled, whichever is earlier.

Both veteran and new firefighters 45 years of age and older must have a Wildland Firefighters (Arduous Duty) Federal Agency Annual Medical History Examination prior to taking the Work Capacity Test. Firefighter's Medical packet can be picked up at the BLM's SRV office located at: 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918.

Firefighters under 44 years of age need only pass the Work Capacity Test and complete the Annual Fire Refresher Course.

The annual Work Capacity Test (pack test) will begin on April 6, 2010, for both veteran and new Wildland Firefighters.

Please call the SRV Office at: (541) 473-6280 to schedule a Work Capacity Test. Additional information is available at the district website: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/vale>

About the BLM: The BLM manages more land – 253 million surface acres – than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western States, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

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