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BLM in SE Oregon Seeking Campground Hosts

VALE, OREGON- The Vale District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is looking for a responsible volunteer(s) to be the Campground Hosts at Chukar Park and Spring Recreation Site campgrounds from May 1 through mid October (Chukar park), and April 1 – late October (Spring Rec. Site).

Chukar Park is an 18 site campground on the North Fork Malheur River. It has pull in campsites, drinkable water, vault restrooms, and tables with grills at each site. Irrigated lawn areas with juniper and cottonwood trees offer some shading. So if you ever wanted to kick back, camp, fish and enjoy the great outdoors in a quiet picturesque setting along a river this may be the opportunity for you.

The Host site offers water, electric and telephone hookups. The site is partially shaded and can accommodate up to approximately 32 foot motor home (or a trailer not to exceed about 30 feet), plus a (towing) vehicle. The Host would need a “blue boy” or some other means of transporting waste water to a nearby restroom vault. Small pets are permitted but must be kept under control at all times. The BLM offers a small stipend to help defray living costs.

Spring Recreation Site is located on the Brownlee Reservoir of the Snake River just East of Huntington, OR. The site consists of 35 undefined campsites, tent camping area, fish cleaning station and boat launch. Shade is limited at the host site with only water and electricity provided. Sewage and gray water is required to be dumped at the Farewell Bend State Park dump station (approximately 10 miles away). Cell phones do work in the area but are not provided by the BLM. Motor home size is not limited except by the amount of area required for maneuvering. The BLM offers a small stipend to help defray living costs.

“We need assistance in welcoming visitors, monitoring campground use, helping with the self-pay camping fee program and providing light maintenance on the restrooms, campsites and watering of the lawns.” said Dave Draheim, Recreation Planner for the Vale District. “Many volunteers are retired folks, but anyone can volunteer who has the time to commit.”

The closest shopping hubs: Vale (65 miles) and Burns (75 miles) from the Chukar Park campground, and Huntington (3 miles) Baker City (48 miles), Ontario, OR., (73 miles) from the Spring Recreation Site.

Background checks for the positions are required.

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