

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT OR-12-19
For immediate release

Contact: Jeff Clark
(503) 808-6028
Michael Campbell
(503) 808-6031

Experience America's Great Outdoors: *Free*

PORTLAND, Ore. – In advance of National Trails Day this Saturday, June 2, 2012, as well as National Get Outdoors and Free Fishing day next Saturday, June 9, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Oregon and Washington has organized special events and waived many recreation fees. Contact the sponsoring BLM Districts for additional details. A list of the events and special deals are as follows:



National Trails Day

Burns District: American Competitive Trail Horse Competition (ride) this Saturday, June 2, in conjunction with a wild horse adoption event.

Vale District: The 2nd Annual Run to the Ruts at the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center in Baker City June 2. Get exercise, inspired, and informed with a hike on more than four miles of trails filled with picturesque views of the Blue Mountains, the original Oregon Trail ruts and sweeping vistas of valleys and mountains in all directions. Most of the trails are paved and accessible to visitors of all abilities to enjoy the views, interpretive signage, wildlife, and plants. Trail Map available at:

www.blm.gov/or/oregontrail/files/nhotic_site_map.pdf



Free Fishing Day

Burns District: Harney County's Annual Free Fishing Day is Saturday, June 16, in partnership with the State of Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge.

Vale District: The 2012 Kids Free Fishing Day Derby for youth ages 14 and younger. On Saturday, June 9, from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Highway 203 Pond.

Come join the Oregon/Washington BLM on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Flickr for the latest on outdoor opportunities, videos of your public lands, spectacular photos, and a whole lot more!

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/blmoregon
FLICKR: www.flickr.com/photos/blmoregon



YOUTUBE: www.youtube.com/user/blmoregon
TWITTER: www.twitter.com/blmoregon





National Get Outdoors Day

Burns District: Waiving overnight camping fees for Saturday, June 9.

Prineville District: Waiving overnight camping fees on the Crooked River on June 9.

Spokane District: Both daily use fees and overnight use fees will be waived June 9 for Yakima River Canyon sites. There is a press release for this specifically at:

www.blm.gov/or/districts/spokane/index.php

Vale District: All recreation fees are being waived June 9.

Additional information about the multitude of recreation opportunities available on BLM lands in Oregon and Washington is available online at:

www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/index.php

About the BLM: The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land – the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2011, recreational and other activities on BLM-managed land contributed more than \$130 billion to the U.S. economy and supported more than 600,000 American jobs. The Bureau is also one of a handful of agencies that collects more revenue than it spends. In FY 2012, nearly \$5.7 billion will be generated on lands managed by the BLM, which operates on a \$1.1 billion budget. 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.

###

Come join the Oregon/Washington BLM on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Flickr for the latest on outdoor opportunities, videos of your public lands, spectacular photos, and a whole lot more!

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/blmoregon

FLICKR: www.flickr.com/photos/blmoregon



YOUTUBE: www.youtube.com/user/blmoregon

TWITTER: www.twitter.com/blmoregon

