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## RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC LANDS Slater Fire Area

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Medford District, Oregon.

**ACTION:** Rescission of temporary closure of public land in and near the Slater Fire in the Grants Pass Field Office, Medford District.

**SUMMARY:** This notice rescinds the emergency closure of BLM-administered public lands, roads, sites, and trails in Josephine County issued on September 16, 2020 associated with the Slater Fire.

As District Manager I have determined in consultation with appropriate agencies that fire and resource conditions have changed and the closure is no longer needed. The Slater Fire was declared 100% contained on December 10, 2020.

Conditions in burned areas will remain potentially hazardous for the foreseeable future. Hazardous conditions include fire weakened trees and limbs that may fall, loose rock, ash and dust that may be toxic or carcinogenic, and soils with reduced stability. Burned areas may also be more fragile and susceptible to damage from use. The public is urged to avoid burned areas, and to use extreme caution if they do enter these areas. The public is also reminded that all laws protecting public lands and resources from damage or unauthorized use remain in place; violators can be prosecuted, and convictions can lead to fines or imprisonment.

This rescission does not change the status of any other BLM closure or fire restriction orders.

**AFFECTED AREA:** All BLM-managed public lands, roads, sites, and trails in Josephine County south of Cave Junction and South of Highway 46 from Cave Junction, east to the boundary of the National Forest. The following BLM administered Lands were affect by this closure:

T39S R07W

Sections 23, 25, 26, 27,29, 34, 35

T39S R08W

Sections 19, 21, 27, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35

T40S R07W

Sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18

T40S R08W

Sections 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 32, 33, 34, 35

T41S R08W

Sections 3, 10


T41S R09W

Sections 2, 3, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This change will take effect at 12:01 AM on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kyle Sullivan, Public Affairs Specialist, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford OR 97504, telephone (541) 618-2340. This notice and the closure map is also available online at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/oregon-washington/fire-restrictions>.

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