RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC LANDS

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management Northwest Oregon District, Oregon.


SUMMARY: This notice rescinds the temporary emergency closure of BLM-administered public lands within the Beachie Creek and Riverside Fire areas issued on September 22, 2020, and as amended on July 7, 2022 (see attached map).

Temporary emergency closure CO-ORN-010-2023-01 has been separately issued for three BLM administered recreation sites in burned areas. The following will remain closed under that closure order until conditions allow for safe use of the sites.

- Fishermen’s Bend Recreation Site: Access to the boat ramp and adjacent day-use areas are currently open. Other areas remain closed as identified on site.
- Canyon Creek Recreation Site
- Elkhorn Canyon Recreation Site

Private, County, State and any non-BLM federally controlled roads and lands that reside within the authority and jurisdiction of that land manager are outside the authority of the Bureau of Land Management closure rescission.

Prior to this rescission, BLM initiated and completed extensive efforts to reduce roadside hazards along public roads. However, the burned landscape, including vegetation, remains dynamic and unpredictable as it naturally recovers from the fire impacts. Public users are reminded to maintain extra caution and vigilance while inside the recovering burned areas as the natural recovery process continues to change existing landscape conditions.

Mitigation of dead and dying trees that affect transportation routes and public trail systems is expected to continue for the next several years as conditions warrant. When deemed necessary, transportation routes and/or trail systems may be temporally closed to public access until the area can be safely mitigated. The public is reminded that all laws protecting public lands and resources from damage or unauthorized use remain in place.

This rescission does not change the status of any other BLM closure or fire restriction orders.
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EFFECTIVE: This order is effective immediately upon signature.

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Northwest Oregon District
Canyon Creek and Elkhorn recreation sites are closed. Fishermens Bend recreation site is closed except for boat ramp access. Other areas within Beachie Creek and Riverside burned areas are open.