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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Grants Pass Field Office 2164 NE Spalding Ave, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526 http://www.blm.gov

Notice of Temporary Closure

OFFICE: Grants Pass Field Office, Medford District, Oregon

ACTION: Temporary Closure

SUMMARY The Bureau of Land Management Grants Pass Field Office herby provides notice that effective immediately, BLM Road 32-9-14.2 is closed to all forms of public access. This action is in response to the Kelsey Peak Fire that started on September 3, 2025. There is limited access to the fire, the roads are steep, windy and narrow and closing the road helps protect firefighter safety. The public is strongly encouraged to avoid the entire Grave Creek to Marial Backcountry Byway to limit impacts to firefighters. Driving, hiking, camping and all other activities are prohibited in the closure area until the order is lifted.

RATIONALE: This closure is pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1 and 43 CFR 9268.3(d).

EXEMPTIONS: This order does not apply to Federal, State, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties; members of organized rescue or firefighting forces in the performance of their official duties; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

LOCATION: The closure includes the BLM-managed portion of the Grave Creek to Marial Backcountry Byway from the intersection of the Grave Creek to Marial Backcountry Byway and Kelsey Mule Road southeast to the Rogue River Ranch (BLM Road 32-9-14.2). Township 32 South Range 07 West Sections 14, 22, 23, 27, 28, 32, and 33, Township 33 South Range 09 West Sections 4, 5, and 6, Township 33 South Range 10 West Sections 1, 2, 9, 10, 11, 12.

DATES: This closure is effective immediately and will remain in effect until such time as conditions allow for safe use of the public lands.

NOTIFICATION METHODS AND POSTED LOCATIONS: Notification will be posted at the trailhead and is available at the Grants Pass Interagency Office, 2164 N.E. Spalding Ave, Grants Pass, OR 97526. Closure information is also posted online at: https://www.blm.gov/orwafire.

ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES: Any person who violates the temporary closures or restrictions in this order may be tried before a United States magistrate and fined in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 3571, imprisoned no more than 12 months under 43 U.S.C. 1733(a) and 43 CFR 8360.0–7, or both. In accordance with 43 CFR 8365.1–7, State or local officials may also impose penalties for violations of State law.

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