

Bureau of Land Management
Notice of Temporary Closure or Restriction Order

OFFICE (FO/DO/State): Owyhee Field Office and Bruneau Field Office, Boise District, Idaho

ACTION (Closure or Restriction): Closure

SUMMARY: A temporary closure of the entire area south of Trout Creek Rd and Silver City Rd to the East Fork and Main stem of the Owyhee River and from the Oregon border east to Highway 78 and Highway 51, Owyhee County, beginning July 28, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. and is anticipated to be lifted August 14, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. This closure is necessary to ensure the safety of the public and firefighters engaged in suppression operations on the Big Grass Fire in Idaho.

RATIONALE: This closure is necessary to ensure the safety of the public and firefighters engaged in suppression operations on the Big Grass Fire in Idaho and complies with 43 CFR 8364.1. This closure does not affect private land. The area would be monitored by BLM and County Law Enforcement personnel to ensure compliance with the closure.

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; individuals who own private land within the closure; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

This order does not apply to activities conducted under contract with the BLM, agency personnel monitoring the event, or activities conducted under an approved plan of operations. Authorized users must have in their possession a written permit or contract from the BLM, signed by the authorized officer.

LOCATION: T9S, R6W, Sec 36

DATES: July 25 to July 30, 2026.

NOTIFICATION METHODS AND POSTED LOCATIONS

Press Release and Social Media

ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES: Any person who violates the temporary closure 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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