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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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EMERGENCY PUBLIC LAND CLOSURE

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

ACTION: Temporary Closure of Public Lands

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby provides notice that effective immediately, the public lands described below are closed to all forms of public access. This action is in response to multiple fires currently active in the area. The BLM is closing public lands to reduce conflicts with emergency crews and allow for fire suppression and to ensure public safety, land health, and resource integrity.

AFFECTED AREA: The BLM-administered lands in portions of Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Jefferson, Crook, and Deschutes Counties in the following area:

1. All BLM-administered lands from the junction of Interstate 84 and Hwy 97 south to Madras, from Madras south to Prineville along Highway 26, from Prineville south to Hwy 20 along Highway 27. From the junction of Hwy 27 and Hwy 20 to the eastern boundary of the BLM Prineville District and following the boundary north to the junction of the Prineville boundary and Interstate 84. From the junction of the boundary and Interstate 84 west to the junction of Interstate 84 and Hwy 97.

DATES: The closure is effective immediately and will remain until conditions allow for safe use of the public lands.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Prineville District Front Desk, at 541-416-6700
BLM_OR_PR_Mail@blm.gov. This notice and the closure notice will be available online.

DISCUSSION OF THE RULES: All uses within the area are prohibited. Exceptions to these prohibitions are noted below under Exemptions. Public safety issues such as torching trees, snags, and other fire-related concerns remain.

EXEMPTIONS: The following persons are exempt from the provisions of this Order:

1. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized medical, rescue or firefighting force engaged in fire, emergency or law enforcement activities, or public utility employees engaged in emergency repairs.
2. BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties.
3. Individuals operating within the scope of their official and legitimate governmental duties.
4. Individuals with valid existing rights for access (e.g., Reciprocal and Unilateral Right of Way agreement holders, permittees or lease holders, or internal landowners); and
5. Parties who carry written approval by the BLM Authorized Officer (Field Manager or District Manager) allowing access to the described public lands.

PENALTIES: Any person who violates this may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 3571, imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Vehicles found in violation of this order may be removed.

EFFECTIVE: This Order is effective immediately upon signature.

Prineville District Manager,
Bureau of Land Management, Prineville District

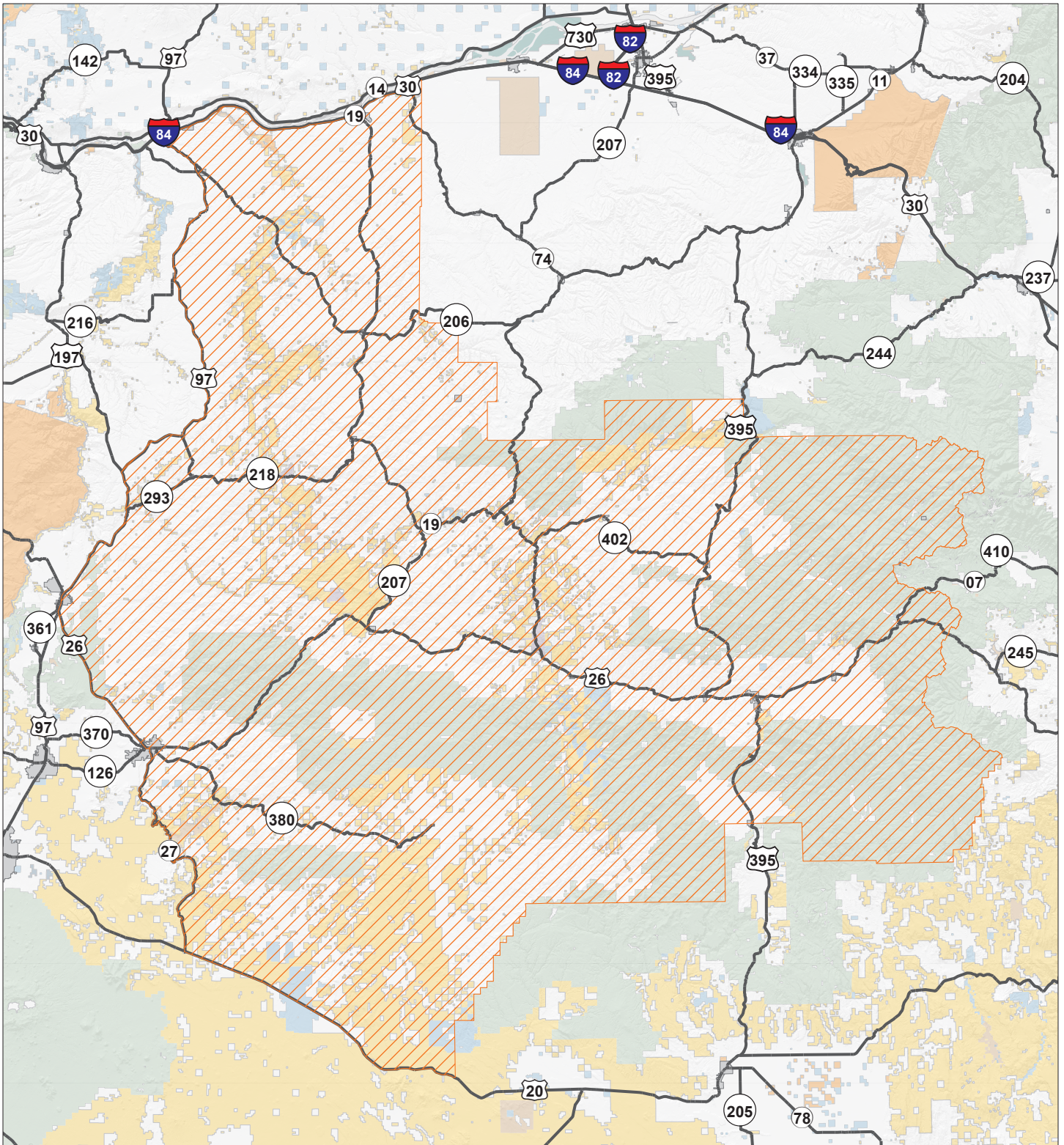


Eastside Prineville BLM Fire Closure

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Administered Lands

- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Forest Service
- National Park Service

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Other Federal
- State

- Local
- Private/Other



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