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PARTIAL RESCISSION, NEW AND MODIFICATION OF EMERGENCY PUBLIC CLOSURE

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

ACTION: Modification and New Temporary Closure of Public Lands

SUMMARY: This notice modifies all previous emergency closures of BLM-administered lands in Prineville prior to August 12, 2026 and includes new emergency public closure areas. 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 extreme wildfire activity in the area. The BLM is closing public lands to ensure public safety, reduce conflicts with emergency crews and allow for fire suppression activities.

AFFECTED AREA: The following BLM-managed lands in Crook, Gilliam, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler Counties are affected by the closure area described below and as shown on the attached map:

1. All BLM-administered lands in the Henry fire perimeter located in Crook County.
2. All BLM-administered lands in the Porcupine Ridge fire perimeter located in Gilliam, Sherman, and Wasco Counties.
3. Beginning at Hwy 26 and Burnt Ranch Road, then northerly on Burnt Ranch Road to the John Day River. Then northerly down the John Day River to the Wheeler/Wasco County Line. Then west on the Wasco County Line to Hwy 97. Then southerly on Hwy 97 to Hwy 26. Then southeasterly on Hwy 26 to Prineville. Then southeasterly on Hwy 380 to Teaters Road. Then northeasterly on Teaters Road to the Ochoco National Forest Boundary. The easterly on the Ochoco National Forest Boundary to the Crook/Grant County Line. Then north on the Crook/Grant County Line to Hwy 26. Then westerly on Hwy 26 back to the point of beginning.
4. All BLM-administered lands surrounding Big Summit Prairie. These include BLM-administered lands in legal locations of T14S, R20E, Sections 11, 12, 23 and 24, T14S, R21E, Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33 and 34, and T13S, R21E, Section 32.
5. Two BLM-managed campgrounds along the John Day River on SR 402: Lone Pine and Big Bend.

DATES: This closure is effective immediately and supersedes all previous emergency public closures. This closure will remain in effect until such time as 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.

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.

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District Manager, Prineville District

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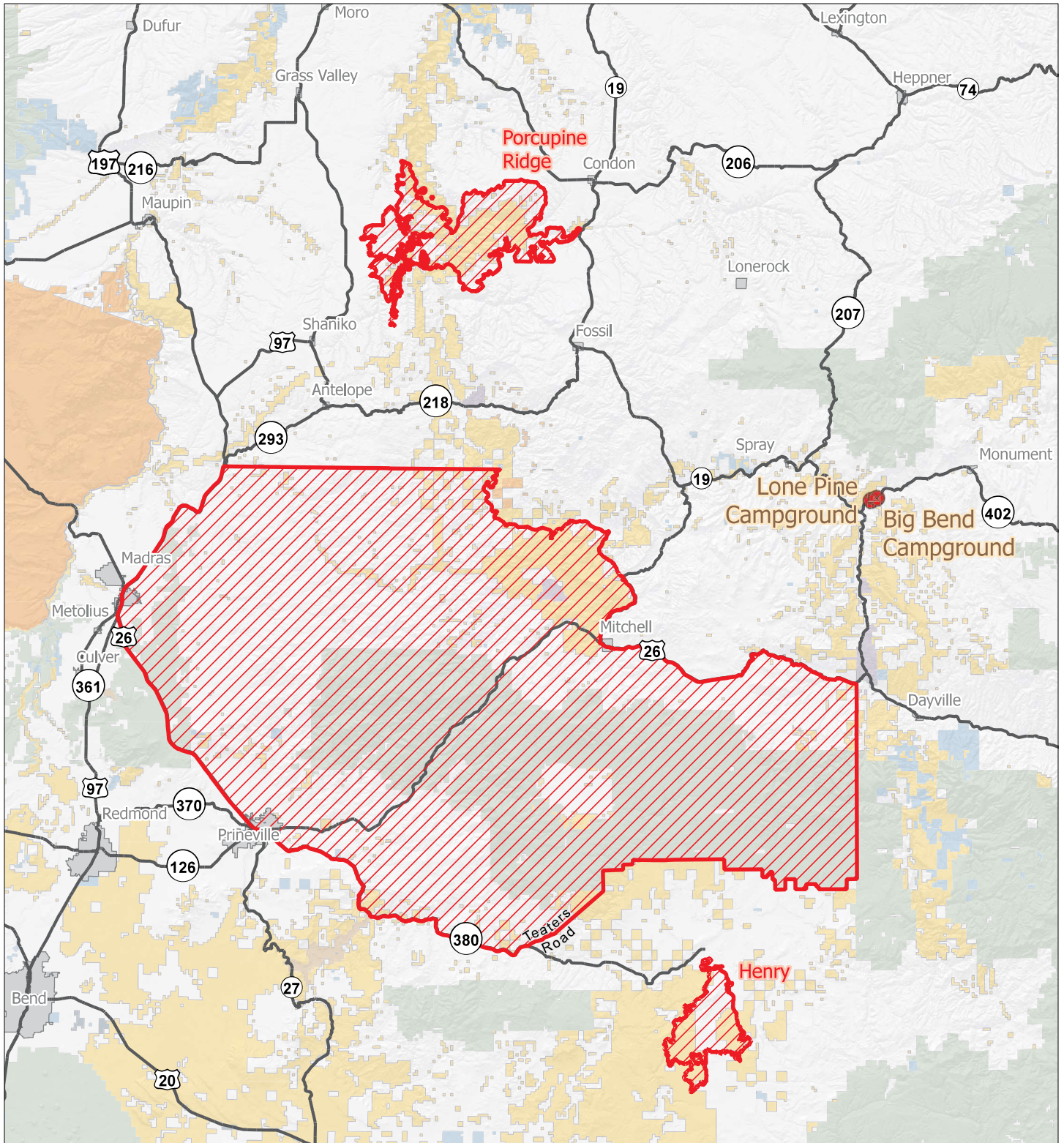


Prineville BLM Fire Closure

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- National Park Service

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- Local Government

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