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PARTIAL RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY PUBLIC CLOSURE

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

ACTION: Partial Rescission of Emergency Closure of Public Lands

SUMMARY: This notice supersedes the emergency closure of BLM-administered public lands in the Vale District issued on July 25, 2026, in and around the Fox Fire.

AFFECTED AREA: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby provides notice that the following public lands described in the July 25, 2026, closure will be OPEN TO PUBLIC ACCESS under existing rules beginning **12:01am Tuesday, August 18, 2026:**

- T. 14 S., R. 45 E., Sec. 6, 7 and 8; North of Huntington and east of Interstate 86
- T. 12 S., R. 44 and 45 E.; Areas east of Weatherby, including Sisley Creek and Plano Road
- Big Lookout Mountain and Lookout Mountain Road
- T. 11 S., R. 43, 44, 45 and 46 E.; Areas east of Durkee along Manning Creek Road
- T. 10 S., R. 46 E. and all BLM-managed land along Snake River Road between Huntington and Richland

The following areas WILL REMAIN CLOSED until suppression repair can be completed:

- Spring Rec Campground: T. 14 S., R. 45 E., Sec. 5
- Bassar Diggins Campground: T. 11 S., R. 45 E., Sec. 19

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Baker Field Office Front Desk, at 541-523-1256, or BLM_OR_VL_Mail@blm.gov.

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.

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

This notice and the original closure notice will be available online at: <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/oregon-washington/fire-restrictions>

District Manager, Vale District