U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC LANDS: Lane and Douglas Counties, Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Eugene District, Siuslaw Resource Area

ACTION: Temporary closure of public land in Lane and Douglas Counties, Oregon

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that public lands within the Eugene, Roseburg, and Coos Bay Districts as described below are closed to all unauthorized entry, effective immediately and remaining in effect until further notice. This closure affects roads accessing the Yellow Point fire area, administered by the BLM through the Siuslaw Resource Area of the Eugene District, Swiftwater Resource Area of the Roseburg District, and Umpqua Resource Area of the Coos Bay District and is specific to BLM routes. Please see attached map.

This emergency closure is necessary to ensure public health and safety during firefighting activities and initial suppression rehabilitation efforts. The fire is not contained or controlled, and ongoing suppression and restoration activities preclude safe public access.

BLM will post closure signs at main entry points to this area. You may obtain maps of the closure area and information from the Springfield Interagency Office, Roseburg District Office, and Coos Bay District Office.

AFFECTED AREA: Please see attached map. The following roads are closed:

- Oxbow Creek Road (19-7-25.1) from Siuslaw River Road (19-7-25)
- M-line Road (20-7-8 and 19-8-29) from J-Line (19-8-3)
- North Sister Creek Road (20-8-18.1) from Smith River Road (20-11-26)
- Twin Sisters Access Road (20-8-17) from Smith River Road (20-11-26)
- Yellow Point Road (20-7-28 and 20-7-8.1) from Smith River Road (20-11-26)
- Yellow Creek Road (20-7-32) From Smith River Road (20-11-26)

PROHIBITIONS: You must not enter the described closure areas by any means of motorized or non-motorized transportation, to include foot traffic.

DATES: This closure will be effective immediately and will remain in effect until conditions allow for safe access.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Additional maps of the closure area may be obtained online at:

http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/eugene/index.php;
http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/index.php;
http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/coosbay/index.php; or
http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/state/38/

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Hard copies can be obtained from any of the offices below:

Springfield Interagency Office, 3106 Pierce Parkway, Springfield, OR 97477, 541-683-6600; Roseburg District Office, 777 Garden Valley Blvd, Roseburg, OR 97471, 541-440-4930; and Coos Bay District Office, 1300 Airport Lane, Coos Bay, OR 97459, 541-756-0100

EXEMPTIONS: Persons who are exempt from these rules include:

a) Any Federal, State or local officer or employee within the scope of their duties or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in fire, emergency, or law enforcement activities, or public utility or railroad employees engaged in emergency repairs;
b) BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties;
c) Individuals operating within the scope of their official and legitimate governmental duties;
d) Individuals with valid existing rights for access (e.g. reciprocal and unilateral right-of-way agreement holder or internal landowners); and
e) Any person authorized in writing by the Bureau of Land Management.

EXCEPTION REQUEST: Persons wishing to obtain an exception may submit a written request to the Siuslaw, Swiftwater, or Umpqua Field Managers for consideration. If an exception is granted, the permitted party must carry the written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer (appropriate Field Manager) when entering the area.

PENALTIES:

43 CFR 8364.1 Closure and restriction orders.

a) To protect persons, property, and public lands and resources, the authorized officer may issue an order to close or restrict use of designated public lands.
b) Any person who fails to comply with a closure or restriction order issued under this subpart may be subject to penalties provided in 43 CFR 8360.0-7 of this title.

43 CFR 8360.0-7 Penalties.

Violations of any regulations in this part by a member of the public are punishable by a fine not to exceed $1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

Michael T Korn
Michael Korn, Siuslaw Resource Area Manager — Date: 9/9/2014

Jake Winn
for Max Yager, Swiftwater Resource Area Manager — Date: _____

Kathy Hoffine
for Todd Buchholz, Umpqua Resource Area Manager — Date: 9/9/2014