



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
MEDFORD DISTRICT
3040 Biddle Rd.
Medford OR 97504**

EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC LANDS: Josephine County, Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Medford District Office, Oregon

ACTION: Temporary closure of public land in Josephine County, Oregon.

SUMMARY: The Medford District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that we are temporarily closing the Eight Dollar Mountain Boardwalk and the Jeffery Pine Loop Trail, beginning September 5, 2017. These restrictions are to protect public health and safety (43 CFR 9268.3(d)(1)).

THE CLOSED/RESTRICTED AREA ARE:

The Eight Dollar Mountain Boardwalk – Township 38S, Range 8W, Section 28 and Jeffery Pine Loop trail system - Township 38S, Range 8W, Section 28

BLM will post closure signs at main entry points to this area. You may obtain maps of the closure area and information from the Medford District Office.

DATES: This closure will be in effect from the date of signature until the area is deemed as safe for public access.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Allen Bollschweiler, Grants Pass Resource Area Field Manager, 2164 NE Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass Oregon 97526 telephone (541) 471-6653.

DISCUSSION OF THE RULES: Under the authority of 43 CFR 9268.3(d)(1)(i), BLM will enforce the following rule on public lands within the closed area:

You may not travel on the Eight Dollar Mountain Boardwalk, on the Jeffery Pine Loop, or the road leading to the Boardwalk, Road 38-8-28.

EXEMPTIONS: Persons who are exempt from these rules include:

- Any Federal, State, or local officer or employee in the scope of their duties;
- Members of any organized rescue or fire-fighting force in performance of an official duty;
- Any person authorized in writing by the Bureau of Land Management.

PENALTIES: Authorities for this closure are section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)) and 43 CFR 8360.0-7. Any person who knowingly and willfully violates any closure order issued under § 9268.3(c)(2) of this title shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced penalties as provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Signed by: C. Todd Neville (Acting for Allen) Date: 9-5-17

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