



Emergency Closure Order Roseburg District

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is required to take all necessary actions to protect human life, public lands and resources, and improvements thereon. In addition, the BLM protects persons, property, and public lands and resources by temporarily closing or restricting uses on designated public lands pursuant to 43 CFR §8364.1 and 43 CFR §9268.3(d).

This Emergency Closure Order rescinds the Amended Emergency Closure Order issued by the Swiftwater Field Manager on August 18, 2021, that was effective August 23, 2021, at 12:01 a.m.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby provides notice that effective at 09:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, the BLM-administered public lands described below are closed to all forms of public access and will remain closed until the Rough Patch Complex Fire is declared controlled and/or conditions change to allow for an amendment to the closure area. Due to an expected increase in fire activity and predicted severe fire weather conditions, this closure is necessary to protect public land users from risks associated with active wildland fire, fire suppression, suppression repair, emergency stabilization, and burned area rehabilitation. The closure is also needed to protect wildland fire fighters from activities that could interfere with fire suppression. The health and safety of the public and the firefighters is our priority.

BLM, in coordination with the Incident Management Team, will post closure signs at main entry points to this area.

This Order is effective at 09:00 a.m. (Pacific Daylight Time) on the 24th day of August 2021 and will remain in effect until further notice.

All BLM-administered lands in the following Public Land Survey System description are closed to entry by the public, pursuant to 43 CFR §8364.1 and §9268.3(d):

Township	Range	Sections*
24 South	1 West	1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 35
25 South	1 West	1, 11, 14, 23, 24, and 25
<i>*All locations are based off the Willamette Meridian</i>		

This BLM-administered lands closure includes Scaredman Recreation Site. See attached map.

Prohibitions:

The public must not enter the closure area. All uses within the closure area are prohibited. You must not enter by any means of motorized or non-motorized transportation, to include foot traffic. Exceptions to these prohibitions are noted below under Supplemental Information.

Supplemental Information:

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR 9212.3, 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, agents, or other individuals 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 or internal landowners).
5. Parties who carry written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer allowing access to the described public lands.

Exception Requests: Persons wishing to obtain an exception may submit a written request to the Roseburg District, Swiftwater Field Manager for consideration. If an exception is granted, the permitted party must carry the written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer when entering the closure area.

Penalties:

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than twelve months, or both. Violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by Title 18 U.S.C. 3571 (\$100,000 and up to twelve months).

Approved in Roseburg, Oregon, on this 24th day of August 2021.

Heather Whitman
District Manager