



Malheur National Forest

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PRESCRIBED BURNS SCHEDULED FOR BLUE MOUNTAIN AND PRAIRIE CITY RANGER DISTRICTS

John Day, OR –Weather conditions permitting, fire officials on the Blue Mountain and Prairie City Ranger Districts will continue their fuel reduction treatments this spring, and have planned several prescribed burning projects. The purpose of prescribed fire is to decrease hazardous fuels, lessen the intensity of future wildfires, and improve wildlife forage and plant vigor to maintain a healthy ecosystem.

Projects on the Blue Mountain Ranger District include Antelope 2 located southeast of Seneca, Murderers Creek located northwest of Seneca, as well as the Spion Unit located northeast of Seneca. The total project size is approximately 3400 acres.

Prairie City Ranger District plans to burn 1100 acres; projects include the areas of Bobo (Dry Fork Clear Creek) off Forest Service Road 2640, Pine Creek off Forest Service Road 5401 and North Fork Malheur off Forest Service Road 1675.

Expect temporary road closures during burn operations in these areas to provide for firefighter and public safety. Exact dates are not known because all burns are weather dependant. However, the latest date for these spring projects will be June 30th.

Maps will be posted and available at the Malheur National Forest Supervisor's office in John Day, and the Prairie City Ranger District in Prairie City.

For additional information contact the Malheur National Forest at 541-575-3000 or Prairie City Ranger District at 541-820-3800.

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