

Black Butte Fire area closure reduced

Blue Mountain Eagle

Malheur National Forest fire staff reduced the area closure around the Black Butte Fire.

The 22,445-acre fire is 95% contained as of Monday. The fire is expected to be contained Sept. 5.

Forest visitors are asked to use caution when recreating in the area. There will be fire traffic for the next few weeks. Visitors are also reminded that the Malheur National Forest is at Phase C of Public Use Restrictions and extreme fire danger.

For more information on public use restrictions, visit fs.usda.gov/detail/malheur/fire/?cid=fsb-dev3_033802. The closure order and map can be found online at fs.usda.gov/detail/malheur/notices/?cid=STELPRD3845529 or by visiting Inciweb at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7770/>

The closure area consists of all geographical areas on Forest Service land within boundaries of the following description: Starting at the intersection of Forest Service Road (FSR) 16 and FSR 1675 at T. 15 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 26, south on FSR 16 to the junction of FSR 16 and FSR 1663 at T. 16 S, R. 35 E, Sec. 19, south on FSR 1663 to junction of FSR 1663495 at T. 17 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 28, south along FSR 1663495 to the junction of FSR 1663495 and FSR 1663496 at T. 17 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 27, south on FSR 1663496 to the junction of FSR 1663 at T. 17 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 34 continue south on FSR 1663 until it intersects with Tamarack Creek at T17 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 3 southeast along Tamarack Creek to the Malheur National Forest boundary at T. 18 S, R. 36 E, Sec. 12. Fol-



An aerial view of the Black Butte Fire.

low the Malheur National Forest boundary north to T. 16 S, R. 36 E, Sec. 4, where the boundary intersects with FSR 1675902 at T. 16 S, R. 36 E, Sec. 28. Continuing north on FSR 1675902 to junction FSR 1675 and continue north on FSR 1675 to the junction with FSR 1675423 at T. 16 S, R. 36 E, Sec. 9 then east on FSR 1675423 to junction 1675, at T. 16 S, R. 35.5 E, Sec. 12 north on 1675 to the junction of FSR 16 at T 15 S, R 35.5 E, Sec. 26.

All boundary roads will remain open except FSR 16 will be closed from the junction of FSR 1663 and FSR 16 to the junction with FSR 1675, continuing south on FSR 1675 to the junction of FSR 423.



Post-fire smoldering after the Black Butte Fire near Forest Road 16.

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OSP seeking person who poached buck in John Day

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The Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division is seeking the public's assistance to identify the person responsible for the unlawful taking and wasting of mule deer buck in John Day.

On Aug. 8, the OSP Fish & Wildlife Division was notified of a deceased mule deer buck within the city limits of John Day, in the vicinity of Canyon Creek and Canton Street, near Riverside Trailer Park. Initial investigation revealed the buck had been shot with a firearm, on the night of Aug. 7, or the early morning hours of Aug. 8.

Contact Fish & Wildlife Trooper Pat McCosker with information through the OSP TIP Hotline, 1-800-452-7888 or *OSP (677), or TIP E-Mail: TIP@state.or.us.

Report Wildlife and Habitat Law Violators

The Oregon Hunters Association TIP reward offers preference points or cash rewards for information leading to an arrest or issuance of a citation for the unlawful take/possession or waste of bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, moose, elk, deer, antelope, bear, cougar, wolf, upland birds, waterfowl, furbearers, game fish and shellfish. Cash rewards can also be awarded for turning in people who destroy habitat, illegally obtain licenses/tags and for the unlawful lending/borrowing of big game tags.

COPS AND COURTS

Arrests and citations in the Blue Mountain Eagle are taken from the logs of law enforcement agencies. Every effort is made to report the court disposition of arrest cases.

Grant County Circuit Court

Spencer E. Leifheit III was found in violation of the conditions of his probation by two counts of purchasing intoxicants. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail. He was ordered to participate in an alcohol and drug evaluation and to attend a victim impact panel.

Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week ending Aug. 25:

- Concealed handgun licenses: 3
- Average inmates: 9
- Bookings: 8
- Releases: 7
- Arrests: 1
- Citations: 3
- Fingerprints: 1
- Civil papers: 11
- Warrants processed: 8
- Assistance/Welfare check: 0
- Search and Rescue: 0
- Aug. 20: Cited Tristin Clark, 23, Prineville, for violation of the basic rule, 85/55 zone.
- Aug. 24: Cited Curtis Perry, 19, Mt. Vernon, for second-degree criminal trespass.
- Aug. 24: Cited a juvenile, Mt. Vernon, for second-degree criminal trespass.

Grant County Justice Court

Violation of the speed limit: Hunter C. Stokes, 27, Bend,

Aug. 7, 49/25 zone, fined \$265; Darren L. Brand, 61, Redmond, July 18, 75/65 zone, fined \$165; Charles F. Cunningham, 67, Eugene, July 19, 52/30 zone, fined \$225.

Violation of the basic rule: James E. Ruckman, 42, Eugene, July 30, 71/55 zone, fined \$115; William A. Dieken, 46, Springfield, July 24, 80/55 zone, fined \$265; Dale R. Jula, 48, Hanford, California, Aug. 5, 72/55 zone, fined \$165; Ann Goetcheus Gehl, 48, University Place, Washington, July 23, 75/55 zone, fined \$165; Haley J. Capon, 20, Los Alamos, New Mexico, Aug. 14, 77/55 zone, fined \$165; Raymond C. Swayne, 61, Redmond, July 23, 75/55 zone, fined \$165.

Driving uninsured: Vana Polpanpua, 37, Bothell, Washington, Aug. 5, fined \$265; Dale R. Jula, 48, Hanford, California, Aug. 5, fined \$265.

The court granted judgment for CSO Financial Inc. and against Kyle L. Hand and Tiffany J. Dial Aug. 17 in the amount of \$1,377.95.

Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked 161 calls during the week of Aug. 23-29, including:

John Day Police Department

Aug. 23: Advised of a parking complaint at Seventh Street Complex.

Aug. 23: Advised to perform a welfare check at U.S. Bank because customers could not reach them by phone.

Aug. 23: Responded to a report of criminal mischief on

West Main Street.

Aug. 23: Responded to a report of an unwanted subject on Second Avenue.

Aug. 23: Performed a death investigation on Bridge Street.

Aug. 24: Arrested Elina Kaulins, 49, of College Station, Texas, near Blue Mountain Hospital for two counts of hit and run and driving under the influence of intoxicants.

Aug. 25: Advised of a subject stealing bags of cans from the John Day Swim Team trailer near the Squeeze-In Restaurant and Deck.

Aug. 26: Responded to a non-injury crash at the Budget 8 Motel that was settled by both parties.

Aug. 26: A John Day motel business owner made a harassment report.

Aug. 27: Responded to West Main Street on a report of a domestic dispute.

Aug. 27: Responded to a family dispute on Southwest Green Drive.

Grant County Sheriff's Office

Aug. 23: Received a hit-and-run crash report on Clark Street in Canyon City with no injuries.

Aug. 23: Received a report of a burglary in progress on Cozart Street.

Aug. 23: Responded to a report of animal abuse on Main Street.

Aug. 24: Responded to a report of criminal mischief on Main Street.

Aug. 26: Cited Jarrod Kellog, 42, of Casper, Wyoming,

for speeding on Highway 26 near milepost 163, 50/35 zone.

Aug. 26: Cited Jordan McLuckie, 23, of Alaska for speeding on Highway 26 near milepost 163, 61/35 zone.

Aug. 27: Assisted the public with information regarding a paroled subject on Humboldt Street.

• **John Day ambulance**
Aug. 24: Responded to South Eagle Street with Long Creek ambulance to a report

of an 86-year-old man with shortness of breath and a cough.

Aug. 25: Transported a patient from the Black Butte Fire.

Aug. 25: Responded to West Main Street on a report that an elderly woman had fallen down.

Aug. 25: Responded to a 911 call on North Mountain Boulevard of a 72-year-old woman who fell and hurt her back.

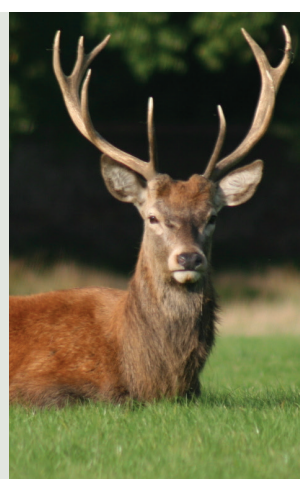
Aug. 26: Responded to

Laycock Creek Road for a report of a 34-year-old woman with severe back pain.

Aug. 26: Responded to South Eagle Street with Long Creek ambulance for a man with difficulty breathing.

Aug. 26: Paged to Front Street on a report of an elderly woman feeling faint.

Aug. 28: Dispatched to Seventh Avenue for an 82-year-old woman with flu-like symptoms.



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