



# GRANT - WHEELER - HARNEY FIRE PREVENTION COOPERATIVE

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## Protection Information

Recent population growth in Eastern Oregon has made it necessary for fire service agencies to place increased emphasis on fire prevention and suppression. A critical part of this effort includes providing for an increased public awareness of the situation. This publication is designed to provide as much information as possible on fire protection district boundaries, various regulations that apply within the different districts and general information on land ownership.

The goal of the Grant-Wheeler-Harney Fire Prevention Co-op, is to develop a strong fire prevention program for East Central Oregon by combining the prevention assets of the fire service agencies in the three county area.

Presently, the prevention co-op is made up of representatives from several fire service agencies and large land owner concerned with fire prevention. This group meets regularly to coordinate special prevention projects such as this publication, which represents their initial effort. If you have any ideas you feel would be of value, please contact your local rural fire chief or local fire prevention coordinator from any of the agencies listed on the following pages.



## Reporting Fires & Burning Permit Issuance

<p><b>State Forestry Department:</b></p> <p>This organization is charged with protection of forest lands not otherwise protected by either agency. As a result there are areas of overlap with several of the rural departments where forest lands are involved. In these cases of overlap the rurals protect the structures and related agricultural lands while the State Forestry protects the forest lands during the designated fire season. During the rest of the year, home owners in areas outside of rural fire protection districts have essentially no fire protection coverage for their homes.</p>	<p><b>United States Forest Service:</b></p> <p>The Forest Service conducts all land management activities on U.S.F.S. lands. Local Ranger District offices have information available on these activities. See map on following pages for identification of National Forest lands.</p>	<p><b>Bureau of Land Management:</b></p> <p>The BLM is responsible for all management activities on BLM, National Wildlife refuge and Bureau of Indian Affairs lands. Fire protection on some BLM land is provided by other agencies. BLM land in the John Day area is protected by the State Forestry, however other management activities are conducted by the BLM.</p>	<p><b>Rural Fire Departments:</b></p> <p>Structural and rural fires should be reported to appropriate fire departments on a year-round basis (see map on following page). Regulations may vary between fire districts. Contact your local rural department for details.</p>
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## Wildland Fire Information Summary:

<p><b>Oregon State Forestry Departments</b></p> <p>1. Report fires or information to:</p> <p>575-1139 John Day - 24 hrs. during fire season, 7 days/week              934-2300 Monument - same hours              763-2575 Fossil - same hours</p> <p>For information call the above numbers between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.</p> <p>2. Burning permits may be obtained by calling one of the above numbers - see map on following page to determine which one to call. Permits required for all burning done on private lands during fire season. Inspection of burning site required prior to permit being issued.</p>	<p><b>Bureau of Land Management:</b></p> <p>Burns District BLM:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report all fires within the Burns district to (503) 573-2071, Burns district office.</li> <li>2. Burns BLM does not issue burning permits for non-public lands. We do urge that you use extreme caution during the late spring, summer and early fall seasons.</li> <li>3. Campfire permits are not required on BLM lands. Again we stress caution.</li> <li>4. Woodcutting is permitted in designated areas, however a free permit must be obtained from the district office, 740 Alvord, in Burns. A map and regulations will be received with the permit.</li> </ol>	<p><b>National Forests:</b></p> <p><b>Malheur:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report forest fires- 575-1321                  For other information call:                  Bear Valley Ranger District- 575-1731                  Long Creek Ranger District- 575-1731                  Prairie City Ranger District- 820-3311                  Burns Ranger District- 573-7292</li> <li>2. Campfire permits are not required.</li> <li>3. The Malheur National Forest does not issue burning permits for non-Forest land.</li> <li>4. Woodcutters are required to obtain woodcutting permits from one of the offices listed above. Except in Posted Free Use Areas.</li> </ol> <p><b>Ochoco:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report forest fires- Dial operator and ask for Commerce 9903 (No charge to calling party).</li> <li>2. Fire precautionary class schedules- Call 447-6845 Prineville or 573-7292 Hines. For other information:                  Snow Mtn. Ranger District- 573-7292 or 573-6027                  Paulina Ranger District- 477-3183</li> <li>3. Campfire permits are not required.</li> <li>4. Woodcutters and pole cutters are required to obtain permits.</li> </ol> <p><b>Umatilla:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report Fires - Heppner Ranger District - 676-9187                  Dale Ranger District - 421-3311                  OR                  Pendleton Central Dispatch - 276-3470 24 Hr.</li> <li>2. For Other Information - Call appropriate Ranger Station or Permits</li> </ol>
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