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Bureau of Land Management Report to the California State OHV Commission

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REDDING TRAIL ALLIANCE REPAIRS CARR FIRE AND STORM DAMAGED TRAILS



Every year tourists flock to Redding, to enjoy it's many outdoor hiking and biking trails, but heavy use on the trails also leads to wear and tear that need repairs. That is where the Redding Trail Alliance comes in to help. For the last three years, the non-profit organization has been working closely with the Bureau of Land Management to maintain the natural beauty on the trails.

Together, with funding from private donations and the McConnell Foundation, as well as, handson assistance from BLM and Americorps, they have been able to complete projects like "The Enticer" and "Snail Trail" bike trails in the Swasey Recreation Area. They have also been hard at work to fix the damage caused by the Carr Fire, last July, replacing damaged culverts and 4 burned bridges along the trails. (KRCR News)

CAMPFIRE PERMIT



Campfire permits are required for open fires, such as campfire, barbecues and portable stoves on federally managed lands and private lands that are the property of another person. On private lands, written permission from the landowner is also required for campfire use. Get your California Campfire Permit quickly and easily online! (readyforwildfire.org)

Visit the <u>BLM California fire restrictions website</u> for more information about current fire restrictions on BLM-managed public lands.

Follow wildland fire incident information and updates via InciWeb and CAL FIRE.

SEPTEMBER 28 AND NOVEMBER 11: BLM ANNOUNCES UPCOMING FEE-FREE DAYS ON PUBLIC LANDS IN 2019

WASHINGTON – The summer travel season gets under way in June with Great Outdoors Month. To encourage visitation to America's public lands, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will waive recreation-related fees for visitors to agency-managed public lands on three additional dates through the remainder of 2019: June 8 (National Get Outdoors Day), September 28 (National Public Lands Day), and November 11 (Veterans Day).

"The BLM manages hundreds of recreation areas, national monuments and other facilities across more than 245 million acres of public lands nationwide," said Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior Casey Hammond, exercising the authority of the BLM Director. "We want to help all Americans get outside on their public lands during Great Outdoors Month and throughout the year to enjoy some of the most spectacular places on earth, and these fee-free days are an excellent invitation."

BLM-managed public lands offer a wide array of recreational opportunities, including hiking, hunting, fishing, camping, mountain biking, horseback riding, boating, whitewater rafting, off-highway vehicle driving, rock climbing, and more. Americans make approximately 67 million visits annually to BLM-managed lands, supporting approximately 48,000 jobs nationwide and contributing almost \$7 billion to the U.S. economy.

On fee-free days, site-specific standard amenity and day-use fees at BLM recreation sites and areas will be waived for the specified dates. Other fees, such as overnight camping, cabin rentals, group day use, and use of special areas, will remain in effect.

For more information on recreation opportunities on BLM-managed public lands, visit https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation or www.recreation.gov.

PUBLIC INVITED TO FAMILY FRIENDLY CELEBRATION FOR SOUTH COW MOUNTAIN OHV MANAGEMENT AREA REOPENING

UKIAH, Calif. – The Bureau of Land Management Ukiah Field Office and partners from the off-highway vehicle community invited the public to celebrate the reopening of the South Cow Mountain OHV Management Area on Saturday, July 27. Everyone was welcome to come out to this free, family friendly celebration.



The South Cow Mountain OHV Management area has been extensively restored since the Mendocino Complex Fire ignited last summer and burned more than 459,000 acres. Approximately 80 miles of trails have reopened, while work continues on more than 13 miles of trails.

"The OHV community has really rallied to help the BLM repair trails, fix culverts and install new signage to be able to reopen South Cow Mountain OHV Management Area to the public," says Ukiah Field Manager Amanda James. "We couldn't have done it so quickly without the help of the

dedicated volunteers, and this is a great way for everyone to be able to celebrate their hard work."

The event consisted of a barbecue and potluck lunch, raffle, educational booths and outdoor games. BLM had an OHV and South Cow Mountain educational booth, and Don Amador had set up a PWORA (Post Wildfire OHV Recovery Alliance) and Quiet Warrior Racing booth to talk about post wildfire volunteer work and efforts. Aat the Red Mountain Campground, where the BLM hosted "Leave No Trace," "TREAD Lightly!" and trail etiquette booths

Co-sponsors for the event include the BLM, 707 Trail Riders, Black Diamond 4x4 Club, California

Recreation Alliance, Cody Cares, Marin County Motorcycle Association, McBride Racing, Mendocino 4x4 Club, NorCal 4WD Club Coalition, North Bay Motorcycle Club, Post Wildfire OHV Recovery Alliance, Santa Rosa 4x4 Club, Valley Climbers Motorcycle Club and Wine Country Rock Crawlers.



IMPERIAL SAND DUNES RECREATION AREA - CALIFORNIA

We are recruiting for volunteers! Are you interested in being a volunteer camp host for the Buttercup Ranger Station and Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area? Check out our announcement here for more details: https://www.volunteer.gov/results.cfm?ID=19169

