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Bootleg Fire Emergency Closure area reduced in size this week

LAKEVIEW, Ore. – The emergency closure area for the Bootleg Fire on the Fremont-Winema National Forest was reduced this week, with the southern edge being pulled up from the Oregon-California Stateline north to Oregon State Highway 140.

The closure area is now on National Forest System lands south of Silver Lake Road between U.S. Highway 97 and Oregon State Highway 31; west of Oregon State Highway 31 and U.S. Highway 395; north of Oregon State Highway 140 between U.S. Highway 395 and Sprague River Road; northeast of Sprague River Road between State Highway 140 and U.S. Highway 97; and east of U.S. Highway 97 between Chiloquin and Silver Lake Road.

All roads, recreation sites and facilities remain closed within the closure area.

The adjustment to the closure area restores access to portions of the Lakeview and Bly Ranger Districts on the Forest, including recreation sites, south of State Highway 140.

There has been no fire growth to the south and containment lines in that area have held for several days, allowing the closure area to shrink significantly. With the size of the fire and continued growth on other flanks, as well as for the safety of wildland firefighting resources operating in the area and the public, the rest of the closure area remains unchanged.

The order is formally referenced as Closure Order Number 06-02-21-07. Violations of the prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both.

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