BIFZ

Burns Interagency Fire Zone

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F O R I M M E D I A T E R E L E A S E

INDUSTRIAL FIRE PRECAUTION LEVEL ON THE RISE

As of 12:01 a.m., Saturday, August 14, the Burns Interagency Fire Zone (BIFZ) will move from an Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) 3 to a level 4, general shutdown. IFPL 4 stops all commercial operations, bans all firewood cutting, and prohibits all open fires and off-road vehicle travel. The IFPL change affects land within the BIFZ, including the Emigrant Creek Ranger District and Malheur National Forest.

A regulated fire closure *is* in effect on all public land within the BIFZ. The regulated fire closure allows campfires only in designated campgrounds and prohibits smoking out of doors and parking a vehicle or operating an internal combustion motor in an area not free of vegetation. Fire danger remains very high.

For further information or to report a wildfire, contact the Burns Interagency Communications Center at (541) 573-1000. For recorded fire information, call (541) 573-4555.