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STEENS MOUNTAIN LOOP ROAD OPEN

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Burns District has opened the entire Steens Mountain Loop Road. Although road conditions have improved recently, visitors are still encouraged to drive with caution. Avoid wet and muddy side roads, maintain safe speeds, and be aware of loose gravel and wash boarded areas. All campgrounds on Steens Mountain are open and in full service.

For more information on current road conditions, recreation opportunities, or to obtain maps of the area, visit the Burns District Office at 28910 Highway 20 West, Hines, Oregon, call (541) 573-4400, weekdays, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or check the Burns District BLM Web site at www.or.blm.gov/Burns.