



BLM/Forest Service NEWS RELEASE

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Holiday Tree Permits on Sale

Medford, OR – Last year, the local Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service sold over 8700 Christmas tree permits, and on Friday, November 22nd, they will begin another season of their joint Christmas tree permit program. Together, the Coos Bay BLM, Medford BLM, Rogue River and Siskiyou National Forests are making it easier for the public to harvest their own Christmas tree in southwest Oregon.

Christmas tree permits are \$5 each and can be purchased from participating BLM and Forest Service offices and at certain local commercial businesses. The permit allows harvesting of trees only on federal lands designated for personal-use Christmas tree harvesting. Trees cannot be cut within 200 feet of state highways, campgrounds, or other developed areas. Forest Service and BLM officials remind the public to take appropriate precautions when planning a trip to the forest to harvest their trees, including checking weather and road conditions, and carrying equipment like tire chains.

For more information, contact a Coos Bay BLM, Medford BLM, Rogue River or Siskiyou National Forest office.

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Attachment: Commercial business selling permits; BLM, and Forest Service office days/hours.

Commercial Business selling Christmas tree permits

McKee Bridge Store Ruch, OR	7 days/week, 7am-9pm
Rite Aid Ashland, OR	Mon-Fri, 9am-9pm Sat, 9am-7pm Sun, 10am-6pm
Port Orford City Hall Port Orford, OR	Mon-Fri, 7:30am-12pm, 1pm-4:30pm
Powers Market Powers, OR	M-Sat, 9am-6pm Sun, noon-6pm

Offices Selling Joint Christmas Permits Business days/hours .

Coos Bay BLM 1300 Airport Lane North Bend, OR 97459-2000 (541) 756-0100	M-F, 7:45am-4:30pm
Medford BLM 3040 Biddle Road Medford, OR 97504 (541) 618-2200	M-F, 7:45am-4:30pm
Rogue River/Siskiyou NF Supervisor's Office 333 W. 8 th Street Medford, OR 97501 (541) 858-2200, TTY 858-2203	Monday-Friday, 7:45am-4:30pm
Applegate Ranger District 6941 Upper Applegate Road Jacksonville, OR 97530 (541) 899-1812	Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm
Ashland Ranger District 645 Washington Street Ashland, OR 97520 (541) 482-3333	Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm Sat. 9am-5pm, Nov 30, Dec 7 & 14

Butte Falls Ranger District
800 Laurel Street
Butte Falls, OR 97522
(541) 865-2700

Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm
Weekends, 9am-3pm, Dec 7, 8, 14, & 15

Prospect Ranger District
47201 Hwy 62
Prospect, OR 97536
(541) 560-3400

Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm
Weekends, 9am-3pm, Dec 7, 8, 14, & 15

Galice Ranger District
200 NE Greenfield Road
Grants Pass, OR 97526
(541) 471-6500, TTY 471-6506

Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Illinois Valley Ranger District
26568 Redwood Highway
Cave Junction, OR 97523
(541) 592-4000, TTY 592-4011

Monday-Friday, 8am-noon, 1pm-5pm

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Illinois Valley Visitor Center
201 Caves Highway
Cave Junction, OR 97523
(541)592-4076 or 592-4078`

Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm
Saturday, 8am-noon, 1pm-5pm
Sunday, 8am-1pm, 2pm-5pm

Chetco Ranger District
555 Fifth Street
Brookings, OR 97415
(541) 469-2196, TTY 469-2156

Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm

Gold Beach Ranger District
29279 Ellensburg Ave
Gold Beach, OR 97523
(541) 247-3600, TTY 247-3605

Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm

Powers Ranger District
Powers, OR 97466
(541) 439-6200, TTY 439-6219

Monday-Friday, 7:30am-4:30pm