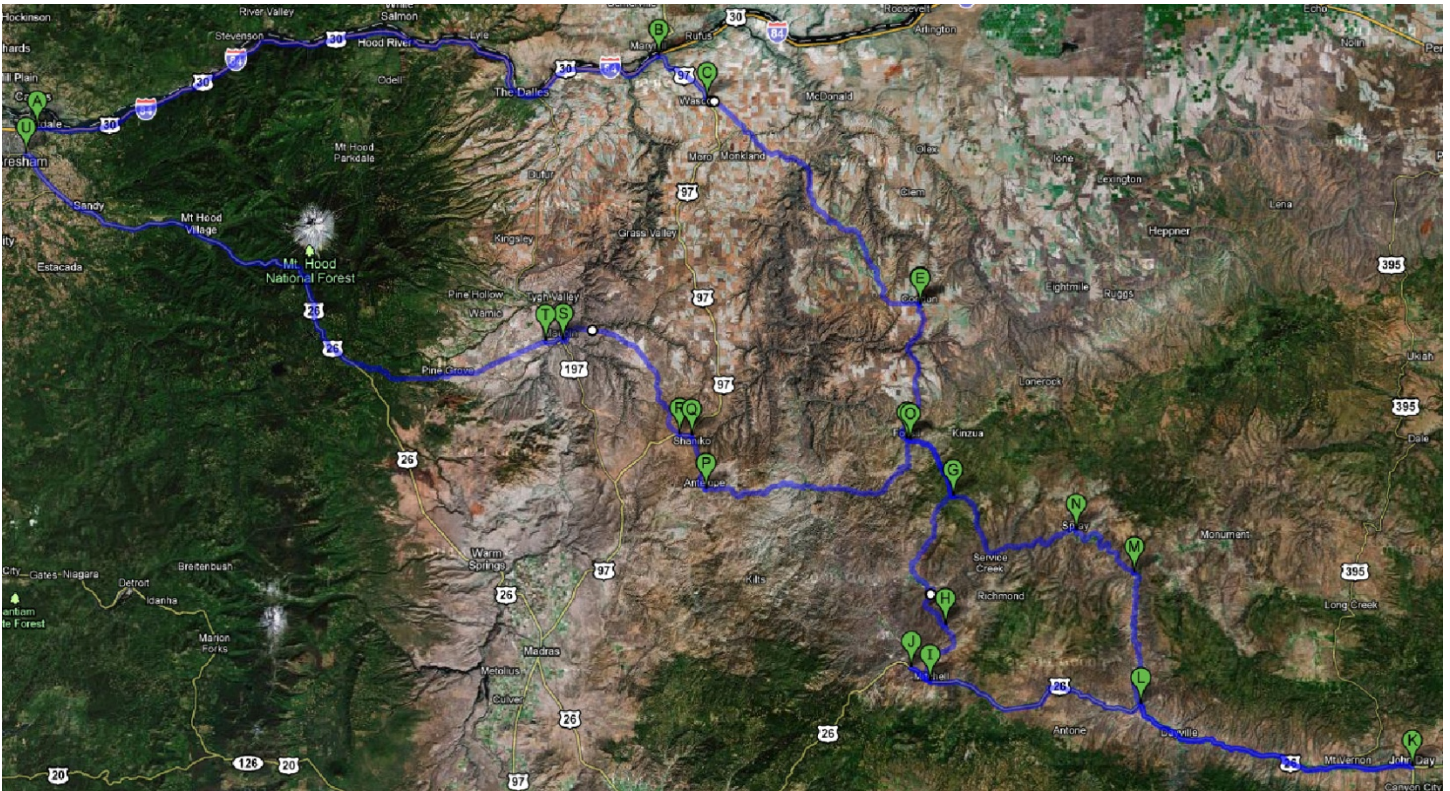




## Painted Hills Adventure 2011



**This event will officially start at 9:00 am.**

**Make sure to show up early so all necessary \*required\* forms can be filled out!**

**You MUST BRING** – Valid driver's license | Proof of current Insurance

Drive start point and optional 8:00am breakfast is located at the Shari's on NW Frontage Rd in Troutdale. Address is 557 Northwest Phoenix Drive, Troutdale, OR 97060-9528

**Directions:** From I-84 heading East, take Exit 17 onto Frontage Road. The Shari's will be on your right

*Our first rest stop is a long 1.5 hours away, so you may want to consider skipping the morning Starbucks!*

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### **SATURDAY**

We will depart Shari's at 9am. Exit the parking lot and turn **RIGHT** to *NW Frontage Rd*. Continue straight and take the onramp onto *Interstate 84 East*.

We will continue on *I84 East* for 87 miles before taking Exit 104 to our first rest stop at **Biggs Junction** at 10:30am.

This will be a 15 minute pit stop **ONLY**.

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We will depart **Biggs Junction** and turn south on *Hwy 97* for 9 miles where we will exit onto *Rt. 206/Fulton Canyon Rd* and turn **LEFT** to head into Wasco. In **Wasco** we will turn **RIGHT** onto Clark Street for 1.5 blocks before turning **LEFT** onto the Wasco-Heppner Hwy continuing on *Rt. 206* which will begin to take us out into the “Oregon Outback” for *41 miles* and into the small town of **Condon**. We will turn **RIGHT** on *Main Street/Rt. 19*. After *4 blocks* we will stay right to continue on *Rt. 19* and stop for lunch around 11:30am at the **Twist & Shake Drive-In** on our right immediately after the road splits. After lunch (about 45 minutes), we will exit to the **RIGHT** to continue our adventure into the hills as we make our way 19 miles to **Fossil**. Through **Fossil** for another 10 miles, we will then turn **RIGHT** onto *Rowe Creek Rd*.

*Rowe Creek Rd* will offer some spectacular views of lush farmland tucked between stark cliffs.

We will follow *Rowe Creek Rd* for 23 miles enjoying the moderate curves and scenery. At the end of the road we will turn **RIGHT** onto *Rt. 207*. A short 10 mile jaunt will find us turning **RIGHT** onto *Hwy 26* for 3.5 miles and **RIGHT** again onto *Bridge Creek Rd* on our way to the **Painted Hills**. 6 miles on *Bridge Creek Rd* and turn **LEFT** into the Painted Hills parking area. **Roads in this area are gravel, so keep your speeds down.** We will take a 1 hour stop here for photo ops and to enjoy the scenery. We will arrive here at about 2:00pm.

When we are finished at the **Painted Hills (1 hour)**, we will backtrack up *Bridge Creek Rd*. and turn **LEFT** heading East on *Hwy 26* for 72 miles through the town of **Mt. Vernon** and into **John Day** for the end of our Day 1 adventure arriving at 4:30pm. We will be staying at the **Best Western – John Day Inn** which will be located on our **LEFT**. We will check in before everyone is cut loose to explore, have dinner and relax.

## SUNDAY

Continental Breakfast is available at the hotel.

We will reconvene and head out at 9am again. Leaving the hotel, we will turn **RIGHT** onto *Hwy 26*. At *19 miles*, we will turn **RIGHT** onto *Rt. 19* through the **John Day Fossil Beds** region. *We may decide to stop and explore if the group decides to do so.* After *12.5 miles*, at **Kimberly**, we will bear left to continue on *Rt. 19* for *32 miles* heading through **Spray** and **Service Creek** before returning to **Fossil**.

In **Fossil**, we will turn **LEFT** onto *Rt. 218*

Following the roadway for 34 miles will bring us to **Antelope**. We will stay on *218/Main St.* as we come through town and after 8 more miles, we will be in the “ghost town” of **Shaniko**. Here we will turn **LEFT** onto *Hwy 97* for 1.5 miles before turning **RIGHT** onto *Bakeoven Rd*.

After 25 miles of *Bakeoven Rd.* we will descend into **Maupin** where we will stop for lunch at the **Imperial River Company**.

After lunch, we will leave **Maupin** and continue on *Hwy 197* for 3.4 miles before turning **LEFT** onto *Rt. 216/Wapinita Hwy* for 26 miles where we will merge onto *Hwy 26* and continue up another 18 miles to **Government Camp** where we will have a brief pit stop.

We will continue down from the mountain on *Hwy 26* through **Sandy** and into **Gresham** where the drive will officially end and people can make their way home (Finally!).

***If you have any problems, contact a drive leader.***

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