Preride Route Notes

June 17th John Kramer
Distance 125.5 miles, Elevation Gain 7500 ft, Very little traffic but there may be more as July recreation picks up.

Home Valley to Bingen
The start time is early, 06:00 to avoid traffic on Highway 14. There are several pinch points on the route where there is no shoulder to ride. The worst is a one mile section starting at mile 13.6. Not a good place to stop for pictures.

Bingen to Trout Lake
There is a nice warm up hill between Bingen and White Salmon starting at mile 16.5. Stay on SR 141 through White Salmon. The State Highway Department put a rumble strip on the fog line leaving town. They did this to protect the users of the city loop trail from encroaching motor vehicles. Recommend staying on the road and avoid the trail as the trail has two way traffic and is not wide enough. The route leaves SR141 at mile 36 or SR141 mp 19.2. Watch for the Sunnyside road sign. Don’t forget the control question at the Glenwood turn.

You can find restrooms at the gas station and restaurant in Trout Lake. There is also good water and restrooms/showers at the county park. There is a map to the county park in the ride packet. Fill water as this is the last chance for almost 40 miles.

Trout Lake to Lower Falls Campground
Nice ride though the woods and a nice view of Mt. Adams. Route climbs to over 3800 feet. Smooth road surface. Most recreation sites appeared to be closed. There are some nice views of the Lewis River at the Middle Falls if you want to take a break. Watch for the sign.

Lower Falls to Wind River Road
The road surface is breaking up in spots so watch for bumps and pot holes. This section includes Curly Creek road. The first three miles are the steepest (average grade 7.5%) and the grade mellows to 3% at mile 4. You can get a good view of Mount St. Helens at or near the McClellen view point. At mile 5 you turn right on Wind River road where the grade is one or two percent to Old Man Pass where the downhill starts. Nice downhill!

Wind River Road to Home Valley
There is more traffic on Mineral Springs road but traffic was light during this ride. There are no road shoulders other than the fog line. There are only several short inclines on the way to Carson. There was a small store open at Stabler which would be the first business in about 70 miles. At Carson, turn left at the stop sign. The mosquitoes were bad at the park, perhaps because of recent rain. I don’t recall mosquitoes being a problem in the past when I have visited the park. If they are bad during the ride, riders may recuperate at one of restaurants in Stevenson. There are no services left at Home Valley.
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<td>Parking Lot (Showers in Park building next to beach) Control: 6 opens: JUL-15 10:53 closes: JUL-15 18:30</td>
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Mt. Adams South by Southwest

The elevation profile shows the terrain and elevation changes along the route from Home Valley to Hotsprings Ave. with key points marked along the way. Peaks and valleys are indicated with specific foot measurements.
County Park in Trout Lake Restrooms, Water, Showers and Camping
Oregon

Cascade Locks
Bridge of the Gods Motel & RV Park
630 Wanapa Street
Cascade Locks, OR
541 374-8628

Best Western Columbia River Inn
735 Wanapa Street
Cascade Locks OR
541 374-8777

Hood River / Mosier
Hood River BnB
918 Oak St
Hood River, OR 97031
www.hoodriverbnb.com
541-387-2997, Telephone

Mosier House Bed & Breakfast
704 Third Ave.
Mosier, OR 97040
http://www.mosierhouse.com/
877-328-0351, Toll Free

Vagabond Lodge
4070 Westcliff Drive
Hood River OR USA 97031
http://www.vagabondlodge.com/
541 386-1900

Meredith Motel
4300 Wescliff Drive
http://lodging.gorge.net/meredith/
541 386-1515

Prater's Motel
1306 Oak Ave
541 296-9111

Riverview Lodge
1505 Oak St.
Hood River OR USA 97031
http://www.riverviewforyou.com/
800 789-9568

Best Western Hood River Inn
1108 East Marina Way
Hood River OR USA 97031
541 386-2200

Comfort Suites
2625 Cascade Ave
Hood River OR USA 97031
541 308-1000

The Dalles
Columbia Windrider Inn
200 West Fourth Street
The Dalles, OR 97058
http://www.windriderinn.com
(541) 296-2607

Motel 6
2500 W 6th St.
The Dalles, OR 97058
541 296-1191

Cousins County Inn
2114 West 6th
The Dalles OR USA 97058
http://www.cousinscountryinn.com/
541 298-5161

Super 8 Motel
609 Cherry Heights Road
The Dalles OR 97058
541 296-6888

Comfort Inn
351 Lone Pine Drive
The Dalles OR USA
541 298-2800
Washington

Stevenson/Carson/Home Valley

Wind Mountain Resort,
50561 Highway 14.
Home Valley / Stevenson, WA
http://www.windmountainresort.com/
(509) 427-5152

Columbia Gorge Riverside Lodge
PO Box 381
Stevenson Washington 98648
http://www.cgriversidelodge.com
866 427-5650 Toll Free

Carson Mineral Hot Springs Resort
372 St. Martin's Springs Road,
Carson, Washington
http://www.carsonhotspringsresort.com
(509) 427-8292

Sandhill Cottages,
932 Hot Springs Ave
Carson WA,
http://www.sandhillcottages.com
800 914-2178, 509 427 3464

Econo Lodge Stevenson
40 NE 2nd St, Stevenson, WA
(509) 427-5628

Bingen / Lyle WA

Bingen Haus, Bingen WA
http://www.bingenhaus.com
(509) 493-4888.

The Columbia River Gorge Hostel
The corner of Humboldt and Cedar
Bingen, WA
http://www.bingenschool.com
Phone (509) 493-3363

The Lyle Hotel
100 Seventh Street
Lyle WA
http://www.lylehotel.com
509-365-5953