

## **OHTAC Recommendations in 2005**

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### **RE: Jedediah Smith Route Field Trips:**

1. The State of Oregon is poised to fulfill the recommendations of the national Park Service regarding the Smith Route up the Oregon Coast. OPRD replicates long stretches of the Smith Trail via the Oregon Coast Trail. Specifically, the best candidates for OPRD interpretive sites are the new Welcome Center being built at Crissy Fields, Harris Beach State Park, Humbug Mountain State Park, Cape Blanco State Park, and the Cape Arago/Shore Scres/Sunset Beach State Parks area. The development of Jedediah Smith interpretive sites (listed above) could be thematically anchored by the Umpqua Discovery Center and create an historic trail corridor.
2. Serious on-site historical and archaeological investigations should be conducted in the area believed to be the Smith camp and massacre site. This is necessary to determine whether and how any historical values of this site can be salvaged or documented. OHTAC strongly encourages that the possible and/or actual 1828 Massacre Site of the Jedediah Smith Party near Reedsport be conserved, preserved and appropriately interpreted as that of Historic Significance.
3. An historical monument or marker should be developed for this location at the end of the Jedediah Smith Route. Further, that the existing interpretive resource located on Bolon Island ½ mile north of Reedsport is dated and lacks perspective and a site closer to the actual massacre location would be more desirable.

### **RE: Windfarms and Historic Trails**

1. OHTAC requests that the Governor of Oregon ensure that OHTAC and OCTA be consulted, informed and included concerning any proposed and on-going construction of any wind farms through the Oregon Department of Energy and the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council as a matter of routine procedure.

### **RE: Development of the Boardman Bombing Range and the Oregon Trail**

1. As the Boardman Bombing Range is developed by the Oregon Military Department/Natural Resources, OHTAC requests that we be listed as a "group of interest".

### **RE: Applegate Trail/California Trail**

1. An apparent oversight at the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center in Baker City has omitted the Applegate (California) Trail from a significant map in the Leo Adler Memorial Theatre. OHTAC recommends that this oversight be corrected.
2. Regarding Applegate (California) National Trail in Klamath County. Recommended that *verified* trail portions be preserved or conserved if found in the Johnston & Son Property in Sec 29, T 39S. Since no traces of the trail exist on this property (used for only one year), OHTAC does not object to any further development.

### **RE: The Santiam Wagon Road**

1. OHTAC considers the finalization of a MOA and a management plan by the Willamette National Forest and SHPO premature in light of errors and inconsistencies in the Section 106 consultation process. OHTAC has been excluded from the process and was not consulted in the development of the management plan. Reference letters dated 10/7/2006 and 5/27/2005 and 7/2/2001. Additional field trips and meetings are planned for 2007.

### **RE: The Oregon Trail at Reith Ridge, Pendleton**

1. The new Barnhart Road/Airport Connector to be built at the top of Reith Ridge in Pendleton Oregon will cross the Oregon Trail. OHTAC recommends that the new route take advantage of the site and create a pull-off and place a memorial marker. OHTAC further recommends that the City of Pendleton seek funding from the Oregon Community Foundation Funds and/or from OCTA. Further, that OCTA take the lead in this project.