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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Hood to Coast Relay coming to area highways

Be alert to over 17,000 runners and walkers and 3,000 support vehicles this weekend

The annual Hood to Coast Relay race will take place this **Friday, Aug. 23** and **Saturday, Aug. 24**, with more than 17,000 runners and walkers expected to travel along several Oregon highways.

The route will take race participants from Timberline Lodge on Mount Hood to Seaside. Travelers need to watch for runners and walkers, as well as approximately 3,000 support vehicles involved in the event, which begins Friday morning. **Please use caution when approaching or passing runners, walkers and support vehicles. Some sections of the route have narrow shoulders.**

Traffic impacts on Oregon Highways

U.S. 26 Mt. Hood Highway: Westbound traffic on U.S. 26 near milepost 30 east of Sandy will be narrowed down to one lane approaching the top of Cherryville Hill to provide support vehicle parking. This section is on the west end of a two-mile section of center cable barrier.

U.S. 30 (Lower Columbia River Highway): Intermittent westbound lane closures on U.S. 30 in the community of Burlington east of the Sauvie Island Bridge. Runners will cross U.S. 30 at High School Way/Walnut Street in Scappoose. Travelers should expect congestion due to increased pedestrian traffic.

Increased enforcement

State, county and city police agencies along the relay route will have a visible patrol enforcement presence. **Anyone observing a dangerous driver should contact Oregon State Police at 1-800-853-8412 or 9-1-1.** Hood to Coast Relay information: www.hoodtocoast.com.

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