

Update – June 11, 2014

Pacific Northwest Region - Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

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Wallowa Mountain Loop Road (FSR 39) Reconstruction

Construction continues on the 13-mile stretch of the Wallowa Mountain Loop Road, also known as the North Pine section of Forest Service Road (FSR) 39. The North Pine section begins at the junction of Highway 86 and heads north for 13 miles on FSR 39 to the junction of FSR 66. **This section of the road is closed through June 15, 2014.**

HOWEVER GOOD NEWS! The detour route, FSR 66 is now free of snow on the road surface and passable by passenger vehicles because of recent maintenance. Remember to remind folks this 30-mile detour route is a single-lane gravel road with turnouts and is already very dusty in certain locations. The route is suitable for vehicles with trailers; however it is not recommended for motor homes. FSR 66 begins at the junction of FSR 39 and FSR 66 coming from Joseph, Oregon (also referred to as Duck Creek, Fish Lake Road, Twin Lakes Road, or Clear Creek Road) and continues west then south before connecting with Baker County Road 999, just north of Halfway.

On June 16, 2014, the next phase of the traffic schedule begins on the 13-mile stretch of the Wallowa Mountain Loop Road (North Pine section of FSR 39); **however possible delays during the open periods may occur due to construction.**

Following is the schedule for the month of **JUNE** for the 13-mile construction area (North Pine section of FSR 39) (all times in Pacific Time Zone):

- ❖ **June 16th** - FSR 39 is **OPEN for PASSAGE ONLY TRAVEL** until 7:59 am on June 17th
- ❖ **June 17th at 8:00 am** – FSR 39 (construction area) is **CLOSED** until 5:00 pm on June 19th – FSR 66 detour route available
- ❖ **June 19th at 5:01 pm** – FSR 39 is **OPEN for PASSAGE ONLY TRAVEL** until 7:59 am on June 24th
- ❖ **June 24th at 8:00 am** - FSR 39 (construction area) is **CLOSED** until 5:00 pm on June 26th – FSR 66 detour route available



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- ❖ **June 26th at 5:01 pm** – FSR 39 is **OPEN for PASSAGE ONLY TRAVEL** until **7:59 am on July 1st** (NEW schedule BEGINS JULY 1st)

JULY 1, 2014:

Beginning July 1st through October 15th, FSR 39 will be open for the entire route EXCEPT visitors can expect up to one hour delays on the 13-mile North Pine section of FSR 39 or use detour route FSR 66. There are discussions occurring with the contractor regarding work on the weekends and evenings – stay tuned! Construction activities will be on-going, so please remind visitors to drive responsibility as they are still travelling in a construction zone.



For current information about road conditions or other information, please call: Wallowa Mountains Office at (541) 426-5546, Pine Field Office at (541) 742-6705, or Supervisors Office at (541) 523-1246 or 541-523-1302. For additional information on the Hells Canyon Scenic Byway, please visit:

www.hellscanyonbyway.com - and/or - <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/WallowaMtnLoopRd>

Thank you for visiting the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area

Travel safely, responsibly, and enjoy the beauty of Hells Canyon!