

Photos and Stories by Umatilla National Forest Retirees

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Barometer Watershed Study - High Ridge Lookout

These images are of Mack Moore and Leonard Patton taken on the Pendleton RD about 1967 . Mack and Leonard were involved with the installation of equipment on the Barometer Watershed Study at High Ridge Lookout located between Ruckle Junction and the Spout Springs / Elgin Highway.



Left: The polaris mountaineer pulled up from a little slide. Right: Mack Moore and Leonard Patton



Hoisting the grub, Mack Moore and Leonard Patton working on the Barometer Watershed. Photos below were taken from top of lookout looking down to sled below.

Mack now live in Boise Idaho. After Mack retired from the FS he did some management consulting work, and in fact worked with the Umatilla Management Team in the mid 1980s.





Photo at left: Pendleton District Ranger Walt Johnson Circa 1967 on his way to work! (behind the snowmobile). Note: I think the new ranger (Walt) thought we were having too much fun on the snow cat so he joined us for a few days to check it out!

English Springs Timber Sale

Logging on English Springs Timber Sale, Pendleton District



Left: Burning slash on English Springs TS. Fall of 1967; Right: After the burn

Flood of 1964 - Umatilla Forks Campground



1964 Flood, Forks Campground, Pendleton District. Photos shows flooding of the Umatilla River where the forks of the river merge.



Umatilla River below Corporation Work Center. Flood of '64.



Gordon Creek from Balloon Tree Guard Station before the Gordon Creek Sale, Pendleton District.

About Gary Hodges

Graduate, school of Forestry, Oklahoma State University 1960. During my time in the Forest Service, I worked In Oregon at Gold Beach, at Dale District (Range Management), and Pendleton District (TMA) on the Umatilla, Timberlake Job Corps on the Mount Hood, District Ranger at Klamath Falls on the Winema, Center Director at Boxelder Job Corps Center on the Black Hills, Forest staff in Colorado and Deputy Supervisor on the Arapaho and Roosevelt at Fort Collins, Colorado. With a great deal of admiration for many of the people I worked with, I should mention that one of them was Cal Weissenfluh when he was the assistant ranger at Dale and I was a very new, eager young forester. I learned a lot from him. Cal was a fun guy to work for. I retired from the Forest Service in the middle 1980s and worked a couple of years for the Colorado State Forester, which was followed by a 15 year stint with the Naushon Trust, working on the Elizabeth Islands, of the Coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Following that we moved back to Colorado and was involved in Fire Threat community planning for the State Forester's office. Jeanetta and I moved back to Oregon In 2003 and love it.

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