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Mr. Gerald Tucker

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Dear Gerald,

Hopefully, this letter will confirm my telephone calls to you and help firm up plans for the Marcus Whitman Trail ride on August 28 and 29. The plans are basically the same as for last year's proposed ride.

It now appears that the following persons will participate in this ride: Stan Kowalkowski and Larry Waldron (National Park Service, Whitman Mission), Vance Orchard (Walla Walla Union Bulletin), Ross Baxter (Walla Walla), Gerald Tucker (Former District Ranger, Imnaha), Louie Dick (Umatilla Indian Reservation), Dick Dearsley (Forest Service, La Grande), and Herb Rudolph and Dick Lemmon (Forest Service, Pendleton).

We will plan to leave the County Fairgrounds in La Grande at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 28 and ride to camp at North Flat Spring. Overnight camp will be made there. The first day's ride will be about 14 miles. We plan to break camp Tuesday morning, the 29th, and ride to Squaw Creek, a distance of about 20 miles. The enclosed map shows the approximate route of travel.

Each person will need to bring:

1. A sack lunch for noon the 28th.
2. Sleeping bag and personal articles, etc.

The trucks and Park Service vehicle will be moved from La Grande to Squaw Creek by Forest Service personnel from the Pendleton District. The Park Service vehicle containing the food, sleeping bags, and personal articles will be moved from La Grande to North Flat Spring the 28th, where it will remain overnight. The next day, 29th, it will be moved to Squaw Creek with the personal gear and bags. The vehicles will be parked at Ralph Branum's cabin 2.7 miles up the Squaw Creek Road.

The old Lewis Bergin's place. At the mouth of Bachelor Canyon.

The La Grande District will haul in the cooking gear to North Flat Spring on the 28th and will return it on the 29th. Any hay to be hauled in to feed the horses the night of the 28th can be hauled in with the cooking gear or possibly in the Park Service vehicle.

Dick Dearsley's horse can be hauled back to La Grande with Gerald Tucker's horse when Gerald returns to Immaha.

The following responsibilities were agreed upon:

1. Stan Kowalkowski and Larry Waldron will bring:
 - a. Food (supper, 28th; breakfast and lunch, 29th).
 - b. Paper plates, paper cups.
 - c. Plastic spoons, knives, and forks.
 - d. Charcoal briquets.
 - e. Paper towels.
 - f. Soap for dishes.
2. Pendleton District will furnish:
 - a. Two tents.
 - b. Man to ferry vehicles.
3. La Grande District will furnish:
 - a. Cooking gear, pots and pans, griddle, gas stoves, grill.
 - b. Axe, shovel, and bucket.
 - c. Toilet paper.
 - d. Gas lantern.
 - e. Garbage sack.

Stan and Larry will purchase the food and briquets and the cost will be divided equally.

There will be ample trees to tie the horses to at North Flat Spring. Also, there is sufficient water there for drinking and cooking and for the horses.

Special instructions to get to Fairgrounds in La Grande:

1. Take Island City exit off of Freeway as you come from Pendleton and proceed towards La Grande.
2. Just before you get to the railroad underpass, turn right on Spruce Street.

3. Follow Spruce Street all the way and cross the Grande Ronde River. Pass Riverside Park and go one block and turn left on Blackhawk Trail and follow it for about two miles to Fairgrounds.

I hope this takes care of the plans and I'll be looking forward to seeing you at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 28.



H. Glen Graham
For RICHARD LEMMON
District Ranger

Enclosure