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## **Folk singer Illinois Doug Tracy to perform at Trail Center**

**Baker City, Ore.** – Folk musician and music historian Doug Tracy will perform his program of music from the American frontier era August 2-4. Programs are scheduled for 10:30 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. each day, in the Leo Adler Theater at the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center (NHOTIC).

“Illinois Doug” Tracy has researched music from the mid-1800s and the era of westward expansion, homesteading, and the Civil War, especially focusing on songs used to spread political messages in an era before mass media and social networking. Although some of the issues on the public’s minds in the 1860s are unique to that era – other concerns and political issues are timeless and still relevant today. His presentation includes many other popular folk tunes of the frontier, and is enjoyed by audiences of all ages.

The Trail Center is located five miles east of Baker City, Oregon on State Highway 86. Take Exit 302 from I-84. The Trail Center is currently open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is \$8.00; for seniors it’s \$4.50; children 15 and under are admitted for free. Federal passes are accepted. Call (541) 523-1843 for updates on programs and events. For more information about the Trail Center visit:

[www.oregontrail.blm.gov](http://www.oregontrail.blm.gov)

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