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## “Illinois Doug” Tracy Performs at Trail Center

**BAKER CITY, Ore.** – Folk musician and music historian Doug Tracy will perform his program of music from the American frontier era July 27-29. 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 seem to be timeless and still relevant today.

The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, operated by the Bureau of Land Management, is located 5 miles east of Baker City on Highway 86. Take Exit 302 from I-84. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is \$8. Seniors are \$4.50. Children 15 and under are free. Federal passes are accepted. Visit [oregontrail.blm.gov](http://oregontrail.blm.gov) for more information about the Center, or call 541-523-1843 for updates on programs and events. For information on this and other events in Baker County, Ore. call 1-800-523-1235.

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