



NATIONAL HISTORIC OREGON TRAIL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

BAKER CITY, OREGON

It's Time For Our Face-Lift

The Interpretive Center is closed while we prepare for major renovations starting in 2022 to reduce energy consumption and increase efficiency. Improvements include a new roof, exterior siding, insulation, windows, doors, and HVAC system.

The exhibits and museum objects on display must be safeguarded during the renovation. Our staff is busy packing and removing artifacts and exhibits and placing them in storage.

Although the building is closed, there is still much to see and do around the site. Explore the 4.2 miles of trails to learn more about the pioneers, mining history, and the sagebrush environment.



Visit our website or call for a schedule of ranger programs and events.

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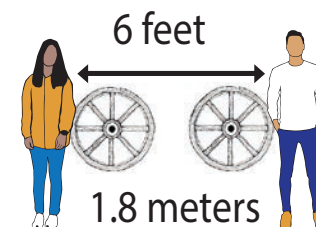


Staying healthy on the trail

Wagon trains had to work together to survive the perilous crossing. Pioneers faced many dangers along the way. Disease, starvation, and injuries would kill one in ten of those who made the journey.

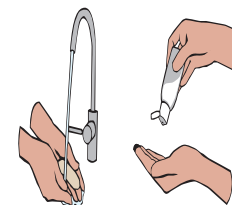
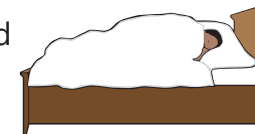
Pioneers worked as a community to avoid illness. During your visit, we ask that you work with us to limit the spread of COVID-19.

Wagon wheels were 36 inches across. Please stay two wagon wheels apart.

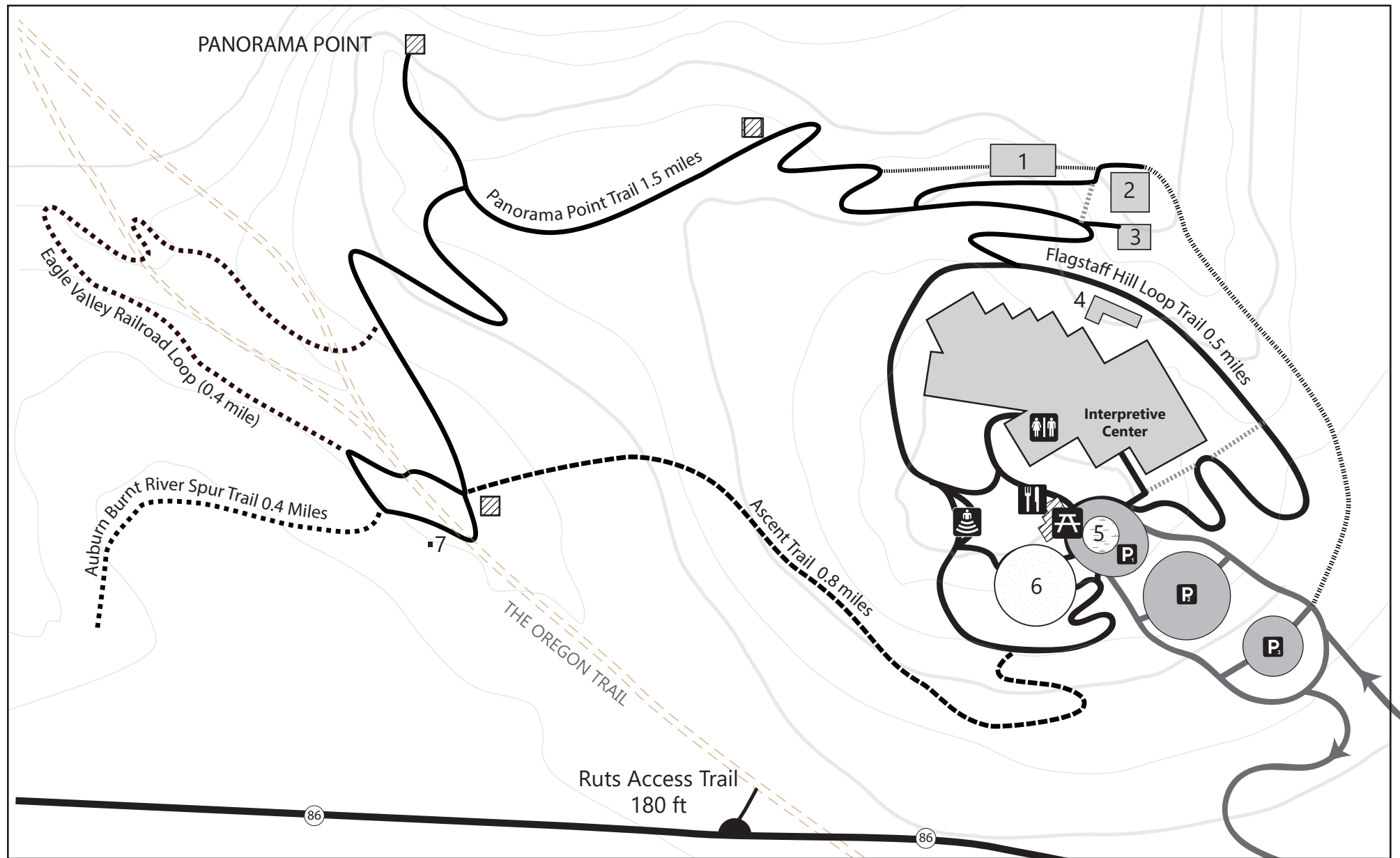


Pioneers wore bandanas to avoid breathing in dust. Today we wear masks to stop the spread of disease.

When pioneers got sick, the wagon train stopped until they were well. If you feel sick, stay home and rest.



Pioneers did not know washing hands with soap could protect them from disease. Today, we use soap and hand sanitizer to help us stay healthy.



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| Paved Trail | Service Road | 4 Sluice Box | Amphitheater | Restrooms |
| Unpaved Trail Moderate | 1 Blacksmith Shop | 5 Native Plant Garden | Picnic area | Parking |
| Unpaved Trail Hard | 2 Stamp Mill | 6 Wagon Encampment | Vending Machines | Shade Shelter |
| Stairs | 3 Lode Mine | 7 Meeker Marker | | |

- Plan at least 2 hours to hike from the center to the ruts and back
 Bicycles, skateboards, or scooters are not allowed on trails
 Leashed dogs can hike with you - please clean up after them
- Smoking is not allowed
 Practice social distancing and Leave No Trace
 Take plenty of water with you
- Trail ruts are fragile - please take care not to damage the trail