

Tips for getting the most out of your ride:

- Since there is no shortage of wind in the South Willow Creek Valley, riders who can't resist a nice tailwind might want to check their wind gauges before considering a clockwise or counter-clockwise direction.
- Carry extra water – the next watering hole could be 40 miles away.
- Explore some of the many alternative routes for shorter rides within the 108-mile loop.
- Don't forget to stop and smell the sagebrush!



Things to check out while in Heppner:

- Morrow County Heritage and Agricultural Museums
- Morrow County Courthouse
- Heppner City Park
- Willow Creek Dam: Unique 165 ft. high, roller compacted structure, flood control dam, built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, has RV and tent camping



Local Services:

- Northwestern Motel & RV Park (541-676-9167)
- Pioneer Memorial Hospital
- Grocery Store, Gas Station, Restaurants, Pharmacy
- Bike Supplies - Pettyjohn's



Wildlife viewing:

deer, antelope, elk, wild turkeys, hawks, bald eagles, songbirds, pheasants, rabbits

For more information about where to stay or eat, things to do or that are happening in and around the area please check out the Heppner Chamber of Commerce website at www.heppnerchamber.com, contact at 541-676-5536 or via email at heppnerchamber@centurytel.net. For more info and map check out www.oregonscenicbikeways.org or www.rideoregonride.com



In the middle 19th century, the Blue Mountains were a formidable obstacle on the Oregon Trail and was often the last mountain range American pioneers had to cross before reaching southeast Washington or passing down the Columbia River Gorge to the end of the Oregon Trail.

While pioneers traversed this formidable challenge on horseback, cyclists today can take on the challenge of the Oregon Trail on their metal and carbon steeds. Besides the breathtaking views of the Blue Mountains, the well-maintained roads, with barely any noticeable vehicle traffic make this bikeway a cycling paradise. The range is located in the high, dry, and much less traveled country of northeast Oregon stretching east and southeast of Pendleton, Oregon.

The 108-mile Blue Mountain Century Bikeway is a scenic loop starting and ending in Heppner, Oregon, a full service community. The route is rich in history (Heppner itself was founded by Irish immigrants in 1887) and initially follows the Blue Mountain Scenic Byway east through the Umatilla National Forest to Highway 395, near Ukiah, Oregon. It then travels north from forest to rangeland before heading west along Highway 74 through more of Eastern Oregon's rolling hills back to Heppner. There are plenty of rollers with a total elevation gain of 2500 feet.

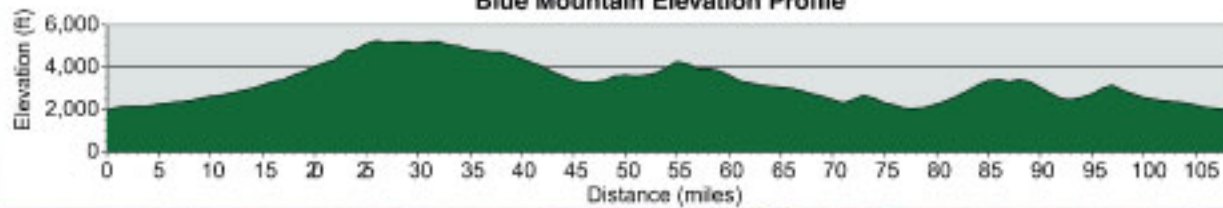
This ride can be accomplished in one day by the more advanced, energetic cyclist – or in two days for those who like to stop and smell the sagebrush, with nice camping options in or near Ukiah.

Blue Mountain Century Scenic Bikeway



"The road less traveled"

Blue Mountain Elevation Profile



Blue Mountain Century Scenic Bikeway

- Legend**
- Bikeway
 - Mile Markers
 - Camping
 - Drinking Water
 - Restrooms
 - Food
 - Lodging
 - WiFi

Info: (800) 551-6949
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