

# OSP urges safe travels over holiday weekend

With at least 10 people losing their lives on state highways over the past week, OSP is urging motorists to travel safely this Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend.

Other traffic advisories to motorists are winter travel conditions, Black Friday shopping and the Civil War Game in Corvallis.

This holiday period (Wednesday through Sunday) will see one of the highest volumes of traffic in over a decade according to AAA Oregon and Idaho. As with other holiday weekends, OSP is urging motorists to plan ahead, expect heavy traffic and poor driving conditions, with rain expected at lower elevations and snow in the mountain passes.

Know the road conditions before traveling by going to [www.tripcheck.com](http://www.tripcheck.com).

Winter travel — Those traveling in lower elevations, expect rain and wet roadways. Increase your following distances due to decreased traction on those wet roadways.

For those traveling Oregon's mountain passes, expect snowfall and winter driving conditions. Know when traction tires are required by visiting [tripcheck.com](http://tripcheck.com).

Too often, mountain pass crashes are caused by those not using traction tires. These crashes cause delays that last hours at times. If chains are the traction device, know how to install or use them.

Motorists are often found struggling in deep snow and below freezing conditions attempting to put them on for the first time.

During Black Friday shopping, there has historically been

major traffic issues on Interstate 5 in Woodburn on Thanksgiving evening and the following Friday due to the high volume of shoppers frequenting the Woodburn Outlet Mall.

There has traditionally been backed up traffic prior to the Woodburn exit. Motorists are asked to consider taking alternate routes to Woodburn.

OSP will be focusing enforcement efforts on motorists driving on the shoulder of I-5, parking on the shoulder of I-5 and any other hazardous behavior.

Another issue has been motorists driving past the backed up traffic and then trying to squeeze in prior to the Woodburn exit. OSP will be in the area actively enforcing traffic laws.

On Nov. 26, Oregon State

University versus University of Oregon Football Game in Corvallis at 1 p.m.

OSP is advising motorists traveling on Interstate 5 to expect high volumes of traffic in the mid-Willamette Valley before and after the game.

OSP is urging those attending the game to take your time, plan ahead and have a designated driver. OSP is also urging motorists to plan their travels:

- Expect heavy traffic volumes. Take extra time to reach your destination
- Visit ODOT's traveler page [www.tripcheck.com](http://www.tripcheck.com)
- Be prepared in the event you become stuck during your travels — Carry water, food, and blankets in the event you are stuck in your vehicle during your trip
- Get a designated driver (plan ahead) if you plan on

consuming intoxicating substances

• Put the distractions away. Pull over to use that handheld electronic device, ask as passenger to help or wait to arrive at your destination to use them

• Watch your speed; often speeding will not get you to your destination any faster. You will fatigue faster, burn more fuel, and create a more hazardous environment on the highway.

• Be extra vigilant in highway work zones. Even when workers are not present, all work zone speed limits still apply and fines double; inactive work zones still have equipment, detours, and incomplete changes in the roadway so drivers need to slow down and be alert

• Get rested before you travel. Fatigued drivers are more

frequent during holiday weekends because of increased travel and activity; be patient and allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

• Wear your safety belt  
Ensure your passengers and children are properly restrained too. We see too many crashes were people would have walked away with minor or no injuries

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## Fishing from 1B

upper bay and river as the season progresses.

Steelhead fishing opened on the Alsea River on Nov. 1. Fish are beginning to enter the mainstem. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

**SALMON RIVER:** *Chinook*  
The Salmon River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. Fish are throughout the bay and river. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective technique. Eggs and bobber can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses. Parking can be limited at Knight Park during the fall salmon return. Anglers are reminded that from Knight Park boat ramp to Sulphur Creek through Dec. 31, angling is restricted to single point hook metal lures, fly angling, or salmon bobber angling.

**SILETZ RIVER:** *Steelhead, Chinook*

The Siletz River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. Fish are throughout the bay and river. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective technique. Eggs and bobber or drifting eggs can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses. Consult the regulations for changes in deadline locations through the season.

Steelhead fishing is slow. The majority of the summer steelhead are in the upper Siletz gorge. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective. For cutthroat trout, casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective.

**YAQUINA RIVER:** *Chinook*

The Yaquina River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is slow. Fish are throughout the bay and river to the angling deadlines. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective technique. Eggs and bobber can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

For cutthroat trout casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective.

**COOS COUNTY LAKES/PONDS:** *Trout*  
Rainbow trout were stocked in Upper Empire, Bradley, Saunders, Powers, and Butterfield lakes last week. Due to extremely low water levels, Lower Empire Lake was not stocked. Trout that were destined for Lower Empire Lake were stocked into Upper Empire and Butterfield lakes. Currently fishing for trout has been decent in the deeper lakes like Eel Lake. Anglers are having success slowly trolling wed-

ding rings.

**TENMILE BASIN:** *Trout, bass, yellow perch, coho*  
Trout angling in the streams of the Tenmile Basin are now closed until May 22, 2017. Trout fishing in Tenmile Lakes is open all year.

There is no wild coho fishery in Tenmile Lakes this fall. Largemouth bass fishing has been good over the past month. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using spinner baits, jigs, or rubber worms.

Fishing for yellow perch has picked up in Tenmile Lakes. Worms fished near the lake bottom work very well for catching yellow perch.

**WINCHESTER BAY:** *Bottomfish, perch*  
Fishing for bottom fish in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful.

**PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES:** *Bottomfish, Dungeness crab, surf perch, salmon,*

The ocean is closed for Dungeness crabs from through Nov. 30.

Recreational harvest of razor clams and mussels is closed from the entire Oregon coast.

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