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Eclipse from 1B

They do not have hookups, fire pits or picnic tables. Some are at parks without flush toilets or showers; OPRD is adding portable toilets to accommodate extra people.

Visitors with reservations for a temporary eclipse space will be assigned a space on arrival at the park.

• Coast: South Jetty at South Beach, Fogarty Creek, Driftwood Beach and Governor Patterson Memorial (all in path of totality).

• Valleys: Silver Falls, Willamette Mission (all in path of totality); Champoeg (on the edge of totality); Milo McIver (outside path of totality).

• Central and Eastern: Smith Rock, The Cove Palisades, Farewell Bend (in path of totality); Cottonwood Canyon (outside path of totality).

Site descriptions for all eclipse camping areas is at oregonstateparks.org, along with links to other camping and lodging options in the state.

For more information on eclipse camping, call the OPRD information line at 1-

800-551-6949.

No camping will be available for anyone without a reservation in the campgrounds listed above on Aug. 18 through 20. To accommodate additional campers, OPRD will place extra staff in parks in and near totality and bring in portable toilets.

OPRD is also collaborating with local and state authorities on traffic, crowd control and safety.

“Transportation planners predict unprecedented traffic and crowds during the eclipse weekend, and we are planning

accordingly,” Havel said. “We ask that campers plan to stay off the roads on the morning of Aug. 21 and respect any fire restrictions.”

Campfires may be prohibited, depending on wildfire danger and the weather forecast.

The Oregon Department of Forestry will post any wildfire restrictions at www.keeporegongreen.org/current-conditions/.

The eclipse will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. on Aug. 21. The 60-mile wide path of totality — when the moon completely blocks the sun —

will last for about two minutes starting at 10:15 a.m. on the coast between Newport and Lincoln City.

The path of totality then sweeps through the state and on to Idaho, then runs across the United States toward South Carolina.

Those outside the path of totality will see a partial eclipse. For more information about the eclipse, visit www.bit.ly/OregonStateParks2017Eclipse.

Fishing from 1B

There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity.

SALMON RIVER: Steelhead
The Salmon River is open for wild and hatchery steelhead. Fishing is fair. Wild winter steelhead can be retained on the Salmon River. Daily and annual bag limit on wild winter steelhead are 1/day and 3/year. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

SILETZ RIVER: Steelhead
Steelhead fishing is fair. Drift boaters are having success from Moonshine Park to Siletz and bank anglers are catching hatchery fish in the Siletz gorge. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

WILSON RIVER: Steelhead
Fishing has been a little slow the past week, mostly due to the high water, but the Wilson should be dropping into prime shape by mid-week and into the weekend, and there are plenty of hatchery and wild fish throughout the system.

It's always a good idea to check the river levels before heading out. There are still some big fish coming off the Wilson this year. All the usual techniques such as side drifting, float fishing, drift fishing, or pulling plugs or divers and bait should be effective.

YAQUINA RIVER: Steelhead
The Yaquina River and Big Elk Cr. are open for steelhead. Fishing is fair. Wild winter steelhead can be retained on Big Elk Cr. with a daily and annual bag limit of 1/day and 3/year. The Yaquina River is open for hatchery winter steelhead. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

COOS COUNTY LAKES and PONDS: trout
Excess hatchery steelhead have been stocked into Saunders Lake, Middle Empire, and Lower Empire lakes. Fishing regulations for these stocked steelhead in Empire Lakes and Saunders Lake are just like the trout regulations: anglers can keep 1 fish over 20-inches per day and only need their fishing license.

Trophy trout were stocked last week in Bradley Lake,

Empire lakes, and Johnson Mill Pond.

Fishing for trophy trout was good in Empire Lakes this past week for anglers using small spinners or using Powerbait.

ODFW is implementing a tag reward trout study on Empire Lakes for 2017 in which anglers will be asked to report tagged trout that are caught. Anglers can report tags on the ODFW website.

TENMILE BASIN: Trout, bass, steelhead
Trout fishing in the streams of the Tenmile Basin are closed until May 22. Trout fishing in Tenmile Lakes, Eel Lake, Saunders Lake are open all year.

Steelhead season is open in Tenmile Creek and Eel Creek until April 30. Steelhead fishing has been very slow in the Tenmile Basin. In the Tenmile

Basin, one additional hatchery steelhead may be retained per day for a total aggregate of three adult fish harvested daily.

Largemouth bass fishing has been slow but will be picking up as the water temperatures warm up. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using jigs or rubber worms.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: Steelhead
Good numbers of steelhead are being caught up to and above Canyonville and anglers are hooking into a few hatchery fish. Pay attention to river gages for the South as it has been high and unfishable a large portion of the time this season.

The South Umpqua will likely be a little high for most anglers this weekend.

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

PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES: Bottomfish, surf perch, crab

Recreational crabbing is open along the entire Oregon coast.

Bottom fishing has been good when the ocean conditions allow. Fishing for bottom

fish is restricted to inside of the 30-fathom curve.

Recreational harvest of razor clams is closed on the entire Oregon coast due to elevated levels of domoic acid. The recreational harvest of mussels is closed from Cape Arago (south of Coos Bay) to the California border. Before any shellfish harvest trip, make sure to check the Oregon Department of Agriculture.



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