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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Hood to Coast Relay coming to area highways

Motorists asked to be alert to 17,000 runners and walkers on highways this weekend

The annual Hood to Coast Relay race will take place this **Friday, Aug. 28** and **Saturday, Aug. 29**, with more than 17,000 runners and walkers expected to travel along several Oregon highways. The route will take race participants from Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood to Seaside. Motorists are asked to watch for runners and walkers, as well as numerous support vehicles involved in the event, which begins Friday morning. **Please use caution when approaching or passing runners, walkers and support vehicles.**

U.S. 26 (Mt. Hood Highway) lane restriction east of Sandy

Westbound traffic on U.S. 26 near milepost 30 east of Sandy will be narrowed down to one lane approaching the top of Cherryville Hill to provide support vehicle parking. This section is on the west end of a two-mile section of center cable barrier.

Increased enforcement

State, county and city police agencies along the relay route will have a visible patrol enforcement presence. **Anyone observing a dangerous driver should contact Oregon State Police at 1-800-452-7888 or 9-1-1.** Hood to Coast Relay information: www.hoodtocoast.com.

Increased Traffic Volumes

Motorists should expect heavy highway traffic and congestion this weekend. Over 100,000 people will be attracted to multiple events in the Portland area this weekend including the Hood to Coast Relay, the LPGA Safeway Classic, and the Oregon International Air Show. Before traveling to your weekend destination plan ahead for extra time and *Know Before You Go* by visiting <http://www.tripcheck.com> or dialing 511 for up to the minute traffic conditions.

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