

Lava Beds/ Klamath Basin Trip- 2015

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	Trip Stops	Address/UTM	Distance to next	Est Arr	Est Dep	Notes/next
Day 1	Leave Arcata			6:45 AM	7:00 AM	Please Fuel up before leaving. Take 101 north, 299 east.
	1 Straw House Café, Big Flat	31301 CA 299, Big Flat, CA	73 miles from Arcata	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Break stop, coffee, pastries. Usually many finches.
	2 Sundial Park, Redding	40.59102, 120.38053, Redding, CA	72 miles from Strawhouse	11:00 AM	12:30 PM	Follow CA 299 to CA 44, Park Marina/Sundial Bridge exit right, turn left. Lunch stop- diving ducks
	3 Weed- gas stop	12 S Weed Blvd, Weed	71 miles - Exit 747	1:45 PM	2:00 PM	Exit 747 off I-5 - Central Weed - Fuel stop. Keep right at Ray's Food Place onto US-97
4	Grass Lake Rest Area on left	18499 US-97	19 miles from Weed on left	2:30 PM	3:00 PM	Sandhill Cranes, Pygmy Nuthatch, crossbills. Look for Mtn Chickadee, Eve. Grosbeak, Pinyon Jay
	Weather and wind conditions may affect our itinerary and stops along this next portion*					
5	Butte Valley Wildlf Area- Grassland tour route Sam's Neck Rd	Goosenest Ranger Sta. 37805 US-97, Macdoel, CA	~17 miles	3:35 PM	5:00 PM	Tentative meet at Forest Service Ranger Staion. Waterfowl, raptors, flycatchers, Black-billed Magpies, Vesper Sparrow, Yellow-headed Blackbird
	Volcanic Legacy Hwy SR-161	Right turn north of Dorris	~17.5 miles			Highway birding from US 96 to Hill Rd, right on Hill Rd. Mostly waterfowl, waterbirds, shorebirds.
	Caution along SR 161. Oregon Dump and Silver Lake are the only reiiable safe stopping places					
6	Winema Lodge, Tulelake, CA	5215 Hill Rd, Tulelake, CA (530) 667-5158	~13 miles	6:30 PM		5 miles south on Hill Rd., ~1 mi past refuge HQ. Owls, swallows. Family style dinner.
Day 2	7 Lower Klamath NWR Auto Tour rte	121.70852, 42.00052	17.5 miles	6:30 AM	8:30 AM	10 mile route, waterfowl, raptors. Return to lodge for late breakfast
	Winema lodge breakfast			9:00 AM	10:00 AM	Klamath Refuge visitor center Cal Quail, maybe Mtn Quail, GH Owl, Barn Owl, Rock Wren
	8 Tulelake Refuge Tour route	121.57428, 41.87857	11 miles	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	Geese, ducks, grebes, pelicans, raptors, shorebirds
	9 Petroglyph Rock (Modoc Co)	121.39132, 41.84502	4.5 miles	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	Prairie Falcon, Wh. Thr'd Swifts, hawks.
10	Lava Beds, Capt Jack's Stronghold	121.4999, 41.8248	12 miles	2:15 PM	3:00 PM	Lunch stop. Walk around the parking area. Turn left from here, go 3.2 miles, continue onto Hill Rd. Turn right to Winema Lodge.
	Klamath Lakes Refuge Visitor Ctr	1 mile north of Winema Lodge				Exhibits, bookstore
Day 3	Breakfast at Winema Lodge			TBA		
	Optional Klamath Refuge HQ					From Winema Lodge drive south on Hill Road 7.7 mi. Turn right continue 8.4 miles. Turn right to Mammoth Crater 2.5 miles. Allow about 30 minutes.
11	Mammoth Crater, 5300 feet	121.54522, 41.69186				High elev. birds. Solitaires, Cassin's Finch, PYNU, MOCH, Mtn Bluebird, Sooty Grouse, Clark's Nutcracker
	Lava Beds NP Visitor's Center	1 Indian Well Road, Tulelake, CA 96134	6 miles			Restrooms, Exhibits, bookstore
12	Calliope Hummer stop	Lava Beds-Tionesta Road121.47322 41.701667	2.3 miles			Past CAHU spot watch for Pinyon Jays, Lewis's Woodpeckers, sparrows, thrashers along road. Continue about 10 miles, turn right to County 97, turn right to SR139, just past the inspection station, turn right onto County 91 Lookout-Hackamore Road.
	13 Bieber	Fuel stop @ 299	~45 miles			Fuel stop at junction with SR299
	14 Burney		35 miles			
	15 Redding		59 miles		7:00 PM	Return to your destination.

\* Strong winds and rain may make it more comfortable to proceed to Lower Klamath NWR Auto Tour route for an evening tour from our cars.