



The Mountain GAZETTE

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Post Triennial Issue

The hugely successful 2018 Triennial is over. All those volunteers that put in countless hours of work, to make the event a great experience for all that attended, are now off recuperating. Thanks to all those volunteers.

It is too soon for all the details and statistics for the 2018 Triennial. Information on the event will be published when it all gets sorted out.

Meanwhile, a few worn out locals are still working long hours to keep Train Mountain going. If any one reading this is bored and needs something to do, come to Train Mountain and help us show the facility to the public visitors.

A few people attended the 4th of July Parade and picnic in the park in Chiloquin. In the parade was a group of teenagers and adult supervisors from the SSP ("Sierra Service Project").

This organization has been doing service projects in Chiloquin for six years. TM Members Frank and Delores Bartholomew have been working for a couple years to get the SSP to come to Train Mountain.



Near the end of the Triennial TM received a call that somewhere between 25 and 70 were coming "next" week. Yikes! Thanks to Jim and Sabra Rickman, the Bartholomews, Dustin and Tom Watson, we got four projects together.

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We learned that a new group of approximately 70 SSP workers come every one or two weeks, depending on the age group. This first week we noted they are divided into 9 teams of 6 to 8 individuals, and TM was assigned 3 teams. We organized two painting projects. The Yellow Snow Dozer, and the outside of the Central Station Building. Prep work has begun on the Snow Dozer, and Central Station has been washed.



Another project is Forestry. One team is presently removing “Ladder Fuel” from under the trees and cutting brush on the Serpentine. This is part of our forestry goal of removing brush that could carry a wildfire up the hill to Central Station.





I never did get any pictures of Frank with Team 3 hauling the brush to the Burn Pit, but they hauled a lot of brush.

When Dennis Ward returns from his family reunion, he hopes to get a team to help him rebuild the Main Yard. If all goes well, we have some SSP teams for six weeks.

Train Mountain on Oregon Public Broadcast Links

The new segment on Train Mountain and other Oregon destinations was aired in their Thursday, November 9th broadcast of Oregon Field Guide.

You can now view the entire segment directly on the opb.org website here:

<https://watch.opb.org/video/3006578129/>

OPB has made the Train Mountain part of the broadcast available on Facebook,
and can be viewed without being a [Facebook member by clicking here.](#)

Beginning of Parade of Trains



Smokey Bear on back of train



The following are statistics of trains passing Central Station Tower during the Triennial:

Monday: 206 Trains

Tuesday: 256 Trains

Wednesday: 287 Trains

Thursday: 304 Trains

Friday: 210 Trains

Peak frequency on Thursday was 28 trains during the 10:00am hour which is one train every 2 minutes 9 seconds.

Train Mountain 2018 Operations Meet

By Richard Croll, Trainmaster

This is a reminder that the 2018 Operations Meet is taking place the last week of July. Setup will begin on Monday, July 23rd, and the meet itself will begin mid-morning on Thursday, July 26th, and run through Saturday, July 28th. Sunday, July 29th. will be the usual pick up of all the cars back to the main yard.

If you plan to bring cars to be switched, let our Freight Agent, Jim Armstrong know. He can be reached at armstrong.jandg@gmail.com. Please give him the following information: Road Name, Identification marks, Car Type and description of load, if it has one. Ideally the cars would be at Train Mountain by Monday, July 23rd, but anytime by Thursday morning will work. As a reminder, all cars must have working safety chains. The chains must be on the rear of the car.

There is always plenty of work to do at Train Mountain, so if you can make it for any part of the work week starting July 21st., your help will be greatly appreciated.

All the usual activities of past Operations Meets will continue. We will be running scheduled passenger trains and excursion trains. Freight trains will be busy spotting and picking up cars all over the railroad, and we plan to add a couple of new things to the freight operations. Dispatchers and tower operators will be doing their usual excellent job of keeping the railroad running smoothly.

If you have any questions about the meet, please email Richard Croll at railroc66@yahoo.com. Or call me at 510-227-9174.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2018 Operations Meet.

You never know what will arrive at Train Mountain

Well, it just wouldn't fit in the pond, but we are glad he stopped by as a vertical boiler steamboat is still live steam.



Election Announcement

As previously published, there are three vacancies on the Train Mountain Railroad Board this year. Nine(!) members stepped forward and requested to be nominated by the Board. In a special meeting July 1, 2018, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendation of the Nominations Committee, headed by Vice President Jeff Pape, to nominate all nine of the applicants.

Accordingly, a ballot will be prepared later this month for distribution. Voting will be in August. A two-week period will be allowed for voting. Each voting member of TMRR may vote for three candidates. (Only one vote for a given candidate will be allowed per ballot). The three candidates receiving the highest numbers of votes will be offered the opportunity to serve a three-year term as a Director.

The ballot distribution will contain information, submitted by the candidates, to aid you in your selection.

The candidates are:

Gordon Brannon,

Danny Chamrad,

John Lovely,

Dick Miller,

Jeff Mills,

Steve Panzik,

Jeff Pape,

Tom Watson

Pamela Williams.

We are indebted to all for their willingness to serve our club. Thank you!

ELECTION 2018 candidate statements

Those candidates running for the Board of Director positions in the upcoming election were emailed or snail mailed a notification that they may submit a candidates statement for inclusion with the Ballot.

If any candidate wishes to have their statement also published in the July Gazette, the same 500 word limit criteria will apply. The statement must be received by the Gazette Editor no later than July 25, 2018.

Please email the files to info@tmrr.org for inclusion in the Gazette.

The statement must be in electronic form, such as a pdf file, MS WORD, Open Office, notepad, or similar text file, and attached to an email. Any image must be sent as a separate file or it will not be included. Statements sent as text within a email will not be accepted.

Only two articles were submitted for this issue of the Gazette. This is your newsletter! If the Members want to have a good newsletter, they need to submit articles in a timely manner. The locals at TM can't do everything.

WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS

DON'T YELL AT ME, I AM A VOLUNTEER!

Fire Danger Signs at Train Mountain Railroad

Train Mountain Railroad has placed three Fire Danger signs in highly visible locations. These signs are similar to the ones seen along US Highway 97 and other locations in the Klamath Basin. Fire Weather Forecasts are monitored by Train Mountain Staff and the Fire Danger signs are updated as the forecasts change.

The signs have two Fire Danger Ratings. The first is the Adjective Rating relating to how easily fuels can catch fire and spread from various sources of ignition. These are also color coded with colors that match the danger level.

The second Fire Danger Rating is the IFPL or Industrial Fire Precaution Level. These are numbered with Roman Numerals I through IV. The IFPL ratings determine what industrial activities can be performed in the woods, the hours of operation for these activities and after-work fire watch requirements.

Adjective Fire Danger Ratings:

Low Fire Danger/Green: Fuels do not readily ignite.

Moderate Fire Danger/Blue: Fires can start from accidental causes. Grass fires can spread rapidly.

High Fire Danger/Yellow: Fine Fuels ignite readily. Fires start easily from most sources of ignition.

Very High Fire Danger/Orange: Fires start and spread easily. Crowning is common.

Extreme Fire Danger/Red: Fires start quickly and spread furiously. All Fires are potentially serious.

Industrial Fire Precaution Levels:

Level I: Closed Season - Fire precaution requirements are in effect.

Level II: Partial Hoot Owl: Industrial activities limited hours 8:00 PM to 1:00 PM followed by Fire Watch

Level III: Partial Shut Down: Prohibited activities followed by a fire watch.

Level IV General Shutdown - All operations are prohibited.

More information and complete definitions of these ratings can be found on the South Central Oregon Fire Management website SCOFMP.org.

The Train Mountain website has information on the IFPL as well. Click on Safety at Train Mountain then click on Fire Equipment Self Inspection Form. This explains each IFPL level, prohibited activities as well as Fire Watch requirements and equipment.



Banquet Ticket Sales

It is very important to purchase your Meet Banquet Tickets by Noon on the Friday before the Meets Saturday Banquet.

We must get the number of attendees to the caterer to make sure there is enough food to feed everyone.

If you plan to arrive on the Friday of a Meet, please call the TMRR Office during business hours and provide your name and number of guests so we can add those to the attendee count.

We want everyone to have the opportunity to attend these functions and enjoy a full meal!

Pacific Northwest Live Steamers

*Founders Day July 21st & 22nd
Train Fest September 1st 2nd & 3rd 2018*

Celebrating our established 64th year Pacific Northwest Live Steamers cordially invites you to our annual Founders meet July 21st and 22nd 2018 as well as our

Train Fest September 1st, 2nd and 3rd

Travel our meandering railroad amongst majestic pines and clear streams; along our 4,200' main line Empire

Located in the cascade foothills

Visiting engineers and trains greatly encouraged full steam servicing available for Coal, Oil and Propane as well as services for Electric

And gas locomotives

Visiting engineers are encouraged to stay over night as bunkhouse, tent camping, or RV trailer is available however space is limited, so please send your RSVP.

A dinner with a nominal charge will be hosted Saturday night by the volunteers of PNLs.

Send RSVP or Information requests to
Or Call

We look Forward to seeing all our extend live steam family.



Molalla Shady Dell Train Park

PnlsMeetInfo@gmail.com

31803 S Shady Dell Rd

Molalla Or, 97038

Phone: 503-840-0903

I AM NOT A ROBOT!

There have been a few changes made to the member's site, specifically where payment information is entered. The most noticeable change is that we have added a question asking if you are a robot. You check the box and depending on a bunch of things, you may be asked to choose from a set of pictures. You may be asked to click the pictures that show street signs, or click on pictures that show store fronts. It seems silly, but the questions and challenges are carefully crafted and updated by Google, and have an amazing success rate at determining if the entity pressing the keys is a real person or a computer program ("robot") trying to gain access.

The technology is called "CAPTCHA", or in our case "reCAPTCHA" and is quickly being the standard for online protection against robots, which pose a real problem to web sites. This is replacing the (to me) very irritating practice of trying to figure out what letters and numbers they are showing in fuzzy text. If you have questions or problems getting around the new challenge (or if you are a robot!), feel free to give Joyce a call in the office.

Dale Furseth

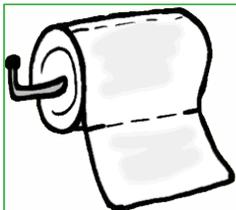
"the computer guy"

Volunteer Hours Reporting

Dale Furseth has worked his techie magic on the member's part of our website again. You can now report your monthly volunteer hours online. From the Train Mountain Railroad home page, click on "Online Member Resources: Join Train Mountain: "Register for Meets", then on "Enter Volunteer Hours" or go there directly with this link: https://trainmtn.org/tmr-members/Member_VolunteerHours.aspx

Choose your name from the drop down menu, enter your total hours in the box that matches the month you are reporting your hours for and click on "Update Information" to submit them. So-o-o simple! We hope you enjoy using this new feature.

Please submit your volunteer hours. If you work off site or at home on Train Mountain projects - these hours count.



REMEMBER: No job is complete without the paperwork!

WEB-CAM GALLERY

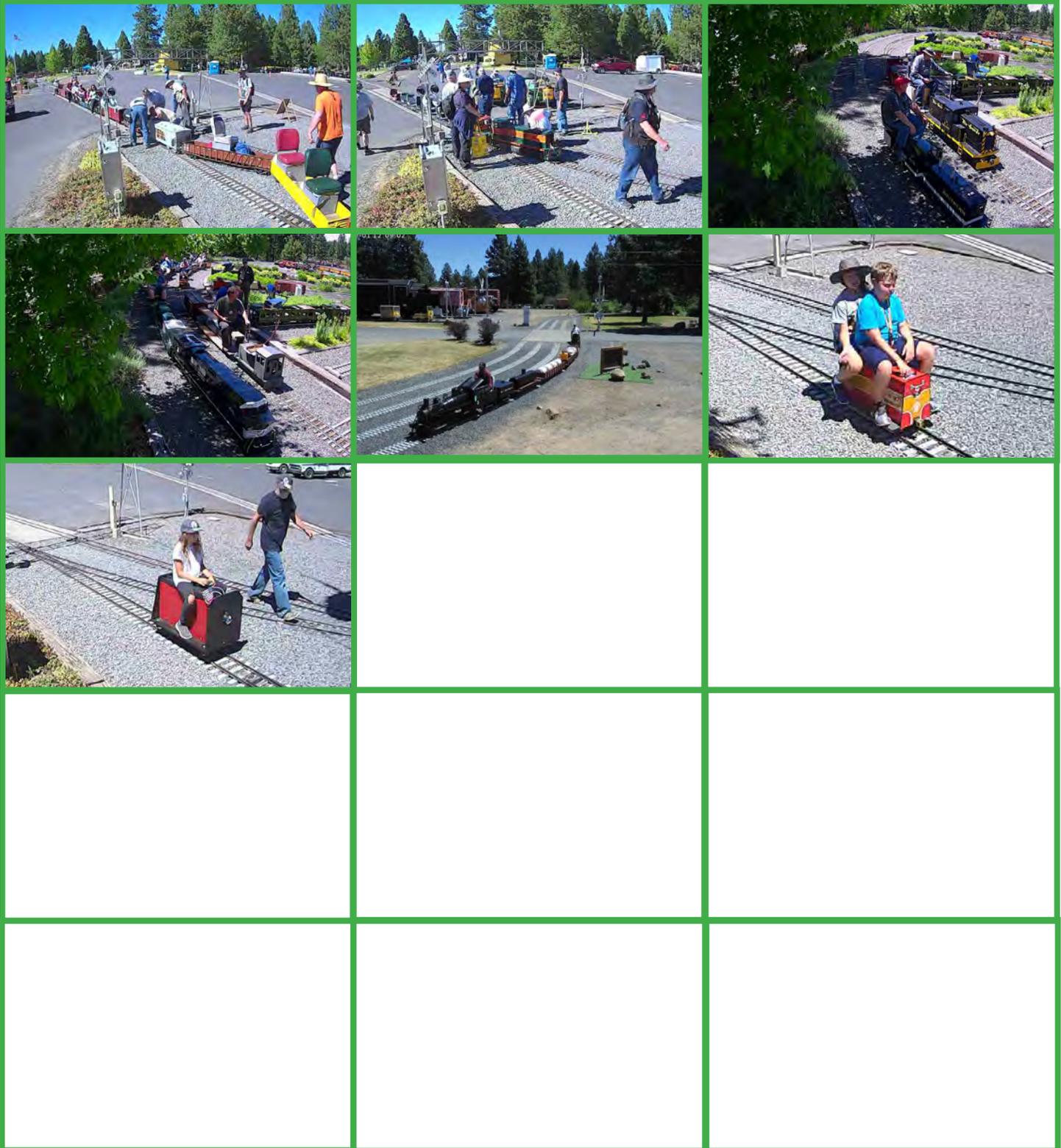
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NOTICES

Gazette PUBLICATION DEADLINE:

Submissions to the Gazette must be received by the 15th of the month of publication. The fifteenth of the month is to be the last day to submit material. Material received after the 15th of the month may be held until the following month or rejected.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Articles and ads may be submitted via a pdf file, MS WORD, Open Office, notepad, or similar text file attached to an email. **The email SUBJECT line must include your article title and a date. Please give each article a distinct file name with your name and a date.** If everyone submits an article named "article for gazette" or something similar it will often get overwritten by another article with the same name when downloading. **Articles sent as text in a email text will no longer be accepted.**

Please use a common open source FONT such as ARIAL that can be displayed in all Browsers, and is easy to read. Please do NOT use the Calibri font, as we must take the time to convert it to Arial.

If your document has an embedded image, you must also include the image separately as a jpg, png, or similar image file.

Visitors to Train Mountain:

Train Mountain is very popular and is continually attracting visitors from throughout the world. We announce that our hours are from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM Monday through Friday during the summer, and 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM during the winter. The office is closed on weekends except during meets, and then only when volunteers are available to open the office.

Our insurance advisors request that all people (members and visitors) complete and sign a liability release. If **YOU** as a member encounter visitors on the property without a visitors pass please direct them to the office so that we can insure that a release has been completed and a visitors pass has been issued.

If **YOU**, as a member, open the gate and allow visitors to pass through - **YOU** are responsible to see that the release has been completed, and **YOU** are liable for them until they sign a release. Releases are available in the mailboxes near the office for those times the office is closed. There are also releases available in the kitchen and in the back shop.

If you do not want to, or do not have the time to, ensure that the releases are completed - then please graciously explain that the train park is closed to visitors and that the open hours are normally (Winter - 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM)(Summer - 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM) Monday through Friday. To arrange other hours visitors should call the office at 541-783-3030.

Join Train Mountain now!!

Please Use the Online App to Register or Join-- <https://trainmtn.org/tmrrmembers/>

Train Mountain is a NO SMOKING Facility

During recent events, many Members and their Guests have been ignoring this policy. There are only three designated smoking areas at Train Mountain:

- (1) Outside the front of the Backshop**
- (2) Outside the east door of the Hall of Flags**
- (3) Outside the Motor Pool (Maintenance Building)**

Due to the high fire danger at Train Mountain during the summer, we have zero tolerance for anyone smoking outside one of the designated areas.

There is NO SMOKING anywhere out on the track!

Members, Guests, and Visitors that continue to violate the Train Mountain Smoking Policy may be asked to leave.

What is Amazon Smile?

In a nutshell, it is a way for Train Mountain to receive 501c3 donations from Amazon.

According to Amazon: AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

When you go to Amazon Smile, choose Train Mountain Institute as your charity. In order for this to work, you must always start from Amazon Smile. Then all else is the same, your account, wish lists, etc. Also available is a direct link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-4031025> for the TMI account.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. I found that just about everything I purchased lately is eligible.

If we can get a large number of Train Mountain supporters to take advantage of the Amazon Smile program, this could result in sizable donations to Train Mountain.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Gate Code

Due to security concerns, the Gate Code for the Train Mountain Main Gate may be changed at any time without notice. Any Member planning to arrive at Train Mountain when the Office is closed will need to contact the Office prior to arrival to ensure they have the current Gate Code.

The Gate Code was changed on July 12, 2018

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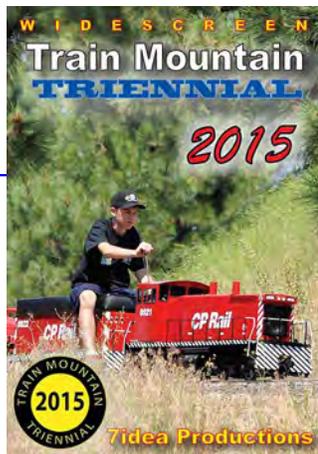
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2015 Triennial Video is available now!

The 2015 Train Mountain Triennial video from Aaron Bentsen at 7Idea Productions is now available through the [Train Mountain on-line store](#) or the main office at Train Mountain. Give them a call at 541-783-3030 and get a copy on the way to your place. It's \$29.95 for the video and free shipping and handling lower 48, \$6 S&H for all others. A most enjoyable video shot by a true video artist and of course our favorite subject, Train Mountain!



Our good friend Jim over at Discover Live Steam has placed ads for us on his terrific website, thanks Jim. discoverlivesteam.com Did you see the great article and front cover story from the November / December 2015 issue of Live Steam and Outdoor Railroading? It is a great article covering the 2015 Triennial. and the great gang of folks that hang around the place and put on terrific live steam train meets. Pretty cool! web: livesteam.net



The 2018 Triennial video will be released in the Fall of 2018, hopefully in October.

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 1/4 Page: \$40/month or \$400/year
 1/2 Page: \$70/month or \$700/year
 Full Page: \$125/month or \$1250/year

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 One eight scale brand new replica
 It runs on steam and generates enough
 electricity to run your lights. It comes with a
 regulator and original installation instructions
 from 1982 by builder Francis Moseley.
Contact Al Taylor - 360-798-6753
mralf2x@gmail.com

Meade 12" LX200GPS - \$2500

**Schmidt-
 Cassegrain
 Telescope
 with Autostar
 II Hand
 Controller.**

Tracking System does
 not work, but may just
 need tune-up or repair.
 Have paperwork for
 repair contact.

Contact Al Taylor
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Crater Lake Junction Travel Center

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The Crater Lake Junction Travel Center opened for business in 2010, and is owned by the Klamath, Modoc and Ya-hooskin Tribes. Open 24 hours a day and located just next door to Kla-Mo-Ya Casino as you enter, this travel center offers competitive fuel prices and many convenience items.

Travelers can fuel up with gas, diesel, or propane. Stop in for a snack or soda, or grab a quick meal featuring Mexi-Go or Mountain Fresh Pizza. Free Wi-Fi, a comfortable lounge with large screen TVs, laundry and shower facilities, and ATMs are all available.

Make sure to ask for a Crater Lake Junction Travel Center rewards membership card so that you can earn points for each purchase and visit. Your earned points can be applied toward future purchases.

Truckers, ask about trucker services and benefits for each visit. Convenience items and truck accessories are for sale, along with many useful daily provisions.

Crater Lake National Park

Crater Lake National Park is located off Highway 62, just 34 miles from Kla-Mo-Ya Casino and the Crater Lake Junction Travel Center. After playing and fueling up, discover the world-famous beauty and amazing history of Crater Lake. Groups and parties, ask about casino shuttle service for your outing or adventure.

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