

## **Detailed 100 in DA HOOD Course Description**

We will be beginning at Clackamas Lake Ranger Station. The only road section is at the start and finish, getting out and into the Ranger Station.

You turn left out the Ranger Station onto Hwy 42 and go North around the corner to the intersection with Hwy 42/Hwy57. Continue around the corner to the right as if you are going back toward Hwy26. You will see the Joe Graham Horse Camp on the right and very shortly after that you will see the PCT sign on the left. There is a large PCT sign and arch on the right side of the road but that is access to the south bound PCT which you will use later.

You will continue North on the PCT for 14 miles to Frog Lake where you cross Hwy 26. The trail is dusty and full of roots, be mindful. There are two other Aid Stations in this section, Little Crater Lake which is 6.1 miles out that is carry-in water only and Rd58 which will have drop bags and is at 9.1 miles out from the start. Frog Lake is the North bound turn-around. Just before Frog Lake AS you will cross Hwy 26 (and back as well) – watch for the cars. You will be returning to the start area the way you just came but heading south. The whole course is on the PCT except for one A/S at 55 miles, which you will be required to go off trail 3/8 mile coming and going. Do not take Timothy Lake trails, we will mark those with the flour.

Your return trip will take you through Rd58 and Little Crater Lake A/Ss back to Hwy42 and the Joe Graham Horse Camp. The south bound PCT continues on the other side of Hwy 42. There will be an A/S here with your drop bags. There is NO PARKING for crews near Horse Camp and road shoulders! We are requiring you to carry a flashlight out of this A/S. It doesn't matter how fast you think you can get to mile 55, next point that has drop bags. Please take a flashlight with you. This is an Ultra and things don't always go according to plan.

Continuing south on the PCT you will get to Red Wolf Pass in 4.5 miles and Warm Springs Meadows in another 5.5 miles. The race runs through 26 miles of Warm Springs Indian Reservation. They have given us permission to access their land for A/Ss only. Please no crews driving out to those A/Ss. Your runner will be disqualified if you are found on these roads, Thanks for your cooperation. You will be crossing logging roads and other dirt roads, stay on PCT – find a trailhead at the other side of the road, either right across or a dozen yards either side of it.

The next Aid Station is the Pinheads. This A/S is also not accessible to crews because of the narrow one way roads. Less than a mile beyond there is a pretty good view. There is a 10 mile section after the Pinheads that have no roads accessible by us. You will see two roads but we can't use them. We will have water hiked in at whatever points the volunteers have energy for, and Lemiti creek AS is a floating one, that can either be or not be. Please plan accordingly.

Up until now all the A/Ss have been on the trail. The up coming A/S, Olallie Meadows Campground (Mile 55 and Mile 75), is an off trail A/S. You will see signs telling you to take the side trail 3/8 of a mile down to the CG. You will also have to do this on the way back. There are two more Aid Stations, Olallie Lake and Breitenbush Lake to go through before turning around and heading to the finish the way you came. All other A/Ss are on trail with no more side trips. Pacers can be picked up at mile 55, 65, or 75. There are

responsible for their own transportation to and from an AS. Parking at both points is limited, please follow the signs.

The section between Olallie lake and Breitenbush is rocky and technical, be prepared. It might be the most technical trail you will see at this race. It also may get cold. In general, nights in Oregon in the mountain area are pretty cold, about 30F, carry enough clothes to stay warm and keep moving.

Pacers picked up at mile 75 have to go all the way to the finish. This is Reservation land with very limited access. Do not try to drive to Warm Springs Meadows, Red Wolf Pass or Pinheads. They are for Aid Personnel only. Your runner will be disqualified if you are found on these roads.

At Approximately mile 100+ you will take the Miller trail off the PCT to the left and follow it to Hwy 42 passing the closed Clackamas Lake CG in the process. There will be glow sticks and markings to indicate the turns. From Hwy 42 you turn right on to the road and take it .1 miles to the entrance to the Ranger Station and the FINISH!!

Congratulations. You just made about 102.5 miles on the most pristine trails of PNW. Pick your drop bags at the finish before 12pm Sunday, as we are not storing them or sending them out. Now go home and bask in your glory!