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On behalf of the of the Bend - Fort Rock Ranger District of the Deschutes National Forest, we welcome you to the 50,000 acre Newberry National Volcanic Monument. Set on the awe inspiring Newberry Volcano, the Monument offers countless unique recreational opportunities and awesome scenic views which take you into the heart of one of the most intriguing volcanoes in the Northwest.

This year marks the 20-year anniversary of the dedication of Newberry as a National Monument. We encourage you to celebrate this 20th season by slowing down and truly engaging with all that this extraordinary Monument has to offer you. Whether you choose to experience Newberry by car, boat, horse, bike, RV, or boots, consider taking the time to learn about this unique volcanic landscape, the wildlife, and the rich history of Newberry at one of our visitor centers or by enjoying one of our many interpretive tours, talks and trails.

As we recognize the 20th Anniversary of the designation of Newberry Volcano as a National Monument, we visited with Dr. Stuart Garrett, who served as Chairman the Citizen Committee that led the effort to get Newberry designated as a National Monument. About 30 citizens initiated the process by meeting with local communities to develop a shared vision for Newberry Volcano prior to the designation and then pursued the National Monument designation until it was completed.

Why did you, and others, work so hard to protect Newberry Crater? What inspired you to engage in its protection?

It became apparent to a number of us that really appreciated Newberry Crater for its naturalness and fishing that there was a lot of interest in geothermal energy and private development in the crater. We tried to figure out a way to protect the area but not preclude geothermal development. We wanted to work with both the local community and geothermal interests. We decided that pursuing a National Monument designation was the best way.

My interest began when I took geology classes at Central Oregon Community College and was introduced to the fascinating world of Newberry Crater. I also enjoyed the great hiking, camping, and fishing in the area.

What was the original vision for Newberry National Volcanic Monument? What do you hope visitors will say about it on its 100th anniversary?

The monument has met the goals that we wanted for it. It has provided a high level of protection of the natural values and has been well-received within the community. If you look at the economic input of recreation and tourism at NNVM over the past 20 years, it has generated millions of dollars. We didn’t want to turn it into Disneyland, we wanted to preserve its naturalness. I think the Deschutes National Forest has done a good job of keeping it natural.

I would hope that people would say there were some wise people in the 1980s who worked hard to preserve it. I would hope that people would still enjoy its geologic wonders, plants, and wildlife.

What would you tell a first-time visitor to Newberry National Volcanic Monument? What do you want them to experience?

If you look at Newberry Volcano as a whole, it is the biggest volcano in the state of Oregon. For the National Monument designation we picked out the highlights, Lava Butte, Newberry Crater, and a wide ecological slice of the area. All portions that we chose for the designation, is what we picked for the public to appreciate and enjoy.

How do you think people can best take part in preserving the remarkable resources of the monument?

I think that those visiting it should take only pictures and leave only footprints. I think people have mostly done a good job of taking care of the area and there hasn’t been too many abusive activities. There are some places that are just precious enough, like Newberry. It is a functioning ecological resource and when people go into it they find serenity. Like when they are sitting by a stream or in a forest. As we become more urbanized and industrial, places like Newberry are going to become more important and precious.
Taking the Pulse of Newberry Volcano

Newberry Volcano viewed from the north. Seismic data below photo is from the lone monitor on Newberry operated by the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network.

This summer the U.S. Geological Survey’s (USGS) Cascades Volcano Observatory (CVO) plans to install eight long-term volcano monitoring stations at Newberry Volcano. A 2004 USGS assessment of monitoring networks at 13 major Cascade volcanic centers, found Newberry to be one of the volcanoes “most in need” of additional monitoring.

Two factors contribute to Newberry’s status as hazardous—its relatively recent eruptive activity (the 1300 year old Big Obsidian Flow), and its proximity to human population centers. Currently, only one seismic station exists on Newberry Volcano. USGS considers a lone seismic station inadequate for providing timely warning of a volcano’s reawakening.

At volcanoes such as Newberry, earthquakes and ground deformation can be symptoms of subsurface movements of magma, gas, and fluids. Often, volcanic reawakening can begin subtly, with many earthquakes of a magnitude less than 1.0, and with ground deformation measured in tiny fractions of an inch. Additional monitoring stations will provide baseline data that improves scientists’ ability to detect and interpret which movements are normal for the area, and which might indicate volcanic unrest. The idea is similar to your doctor having a baseline record of your vital signs, so that when one of those signs changes your doctor can interpret that change in your system and respond appropriately.

Each monitoring station features a seismometer buried in the ground and a GPS receiver. Seismometers are so sensitive that they can detect elk (or people) walking nearby, and the GPS instruments can detect ground motions of just a few millimeters. If you encounter a monitoring station during your hikes around Newberry, please do not disturb.

Visiting Lava River Cave?

Help keep Lava River Cave bats healthy by...

...visiting the WNS table at Lava River Cave and completing a registration form before you enter the cave.

...not wearing clothing, boots, or use any gear (headlamp, camera, fanny pack, etc.) in Lava River Cave that have been used in a cave or mine outside Oregon or Washington.

...limiting the amount of gear you bring into Lava River Cave.

...visiting the WNS table at Lava River Cave and complete a registration form before you enter the cave.

...disinfecting your clothing, boots, and gear worn in Lava River Cave before going in another cave on or off the Forest.

The Deschutes National Forest has over 350 caves. Many caves and mines on public lands in the midwest and eastern U.S. have been closed to visitors since 2008 to reduce the potential for spread of the spores and WNS. Please help keep caves open in the West and protect bats by not wearing clothing, boots, or any gear in Lava River Cave that has been used in a cave or mine outside Oregon or Washington.

If you plan to visit another cave on or off the Forest please follow any information posted at that cave.

For more information on white-nose syndrome, bats, and cave conservation visit these websites:

Deschutes National Forest
http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/centraloregon/

National Speleological Society
http://www.caves.org

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
http://www.fws.gov/WhiteNoseSyndrome/

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/living_with/bats.asp

Bat Conservation International
http://www.batcon.org/home/default.asp

Data from the new monitoring stations will be displayed at websites of the USGS and the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network (PNSN).

Digital information from the lone currently operating seismic station on Newberry is viewable as a webicorder image on the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network (PNSN) webpage:
http://www.pnsn.org/WEBICORDER/VOLC/NCOSHZ_UW_current.html

Learn more about webicorders:
http://www.pnsn.org/WEBICORDER/webicorder.html

Learn more about Newberry Volcano's history:
http://volcan.wr.usgs.gov/Volcanoes/Newberry

Protecting Lava River Cave Bats

Bats and White-Nose Syndrome

White-nose syndrome (WNS) is responsible for the death of over 1,000,000 hibernating bats in the eastern and midwestern U.S. since 2006. Although this new disease is still poorly understood, it is thought to be caused by a cold-loving fungus that thrives in caves and mines. Named for the white powder around the nose, the fungus can also appear on the ears, wings, and forearms or may not be visible at all. The fungus appears to cause bats to frequently wake up during winter hibernation using up fat reserves and water needed for winter survival.

There is no known health risk to humans from WNS. However, the impacts to humans from the loss of bats may be great. Bats play a crucial role in the health of our ecosystem by consuming over half their body weight each night in insects including pest species. Nationally, scientists estimate annual economic losses of $3.7 to $53 billion dollars due to an increase in insect pests as a result of the high mortality of bats from WNS and wind powered turbines.

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CVO monitoring stations similar to this one installed on Mt. Ranier are planned for Newberry Volcano. Photo: USGS/CVO

Little brown myotis close-up of nose with fungus in New York. Photo courtesy Ryan von Linden, New York Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC), 2008

Healthy long-eared bat. Photo: Diane Probasco, USFS

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Caldera Visitor Services

**Paulina Visitor Center** June 23 - September 25
Open Thursday - Sunday*
9:00am-5:00pm
*also Monday July 4 and Monday September 5
Offers DYNW bookstore, maps, and information.

**Ranger Talks**  Thursday - Sunday
**Big Obsidian Flow Talk**  9:30am & 3:00pm
Guided tour of Oregon's youngest lava flow. Learn about the prehistoric and modern uses of this highly prized volcanic glass.

**Paulina Peak**  11:30am & 1:00pm
Join a ranger at the highest point in the Monument to learn about Newberry's volcanic history and potential future.

**Campfire Talks**  8:30pm
FRIDAY evenings at Cinder Hill Campground, East Lake
SATURDAY evenings at Paulina Lake Campground, Paulina Lake

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Sleep On a Volcano!

**Camping** in Newberry Caldera is managed by HooDoo Recreation. Find out about camping options by contacting HooDoo directly at:

**HooDoo Recreation**
www.hoodoo.com
Reservations: (877) 444-6777
Information: (541) 338-7869

**Lodging** in Newberry Caldera is offered by the following businesses:

**East Lake Resort**
www.eastlakeresort.com
541-536-2230

**Paulina Lake Lodge**:
www.paulinalakelodge.com
541-536-2240

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All Newberry Caldera trails are Non-Motorized. Please control and clean up after your dog.

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Minimize Campfire Impacts

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LAVA LANDS VISITOR CENTER

OPEN 9:00am to 5:00pm

Thursday-Monday 5/19 - 6/30
DAILY 7/1 - 9/5
Thursday-Monday 9/8 - 10/10

Drive to the top of Lava Butte: paved 1.75 miles

Walk the Lava Butte Rim Trail: unpaved 0.25 mile loop
Panoramic view of Newberry National Volcanic Monument and surrounding area.

Walk the Trail of the Molten Land: paved 0.75 mile loop
Signs interpreting the volcanic features provide for a self-guided tour. The existing trail is paved and is wide enough for barrier free use, but has grades that may be difficult without assistance.

Walk the Trail of Whispering Pines: paved 1/3 mile
Follow the edge of the Lava Butte flow as it winds through the shady whispering pines. Interpretive signs that discuss past logging practices, modern-day forest management.

Watch films at 10:30, 12:00, 2:00 and 3:30

Shop in the Discover Your Northwest Bookstore

Attend a Ranger Talk or Walk: 11:00am & 1:30pm

LAVA RIVER CAVE

OPEN 9:00am to 5:00pm

Daily 7/1 - 9/5
Thursday-Monday 9/8 - 30

Help keep Lava River Cave bats healthy by visiting the White-nose Syndrome table at Lava River Cave and completing registration form before you enter the cave. See page 3 of this publication for more information White-nose Syndrome.

Wear warm clothing and carry at least two light sources (only propane lanterns or flashlights please). Lanterns are available to rent from Discover Your Northwest at the site. Lantern rental $5.00.

Only certified service dogs are allowed in the Cave provided a container is carried in to remove waste.

Cave Conservation Tours  10:00am & 3:00pm (Daily)
Guided tour focusing on cave geology, ecology and stewardship. Take a close look at sand gardens, lavacicles, and other geologic formations while searching for sign of the Bushy-tailed Woodrat and Townsend's Big Eared Bat.

Lava River Cave: paved 1.75 mile
Guided tour
To view and learn more about the cave.

Lava Observation Tower: paved 0.75 mile loop
Paved trail at the summit of Lava Butte. Walk the paved and easy-to-use trail.

Lava River Cave: unpaved 0.25 mile loop
Guided tour
To view and learn more about the cave.

Panoramic view of Newberry National Volcanic Monument and surrounding area.

Procedures from our retail operations are used to fund conservation education programs, publications, exhibits, guest speakers, events and other services designed to enhance your appreciation of the area. Become a member today and receive a 15% discount at DYNW locations on public lands throughout the Northwest.

For more information, visit discovernw.org  206-220-4140
Discover Your Northwest 164 Jackson Street Seattle, WA 98104

"Our work on the Deschutes National Forest is focused on helping the Forest Service reach its full potential in conservation education and interpretive programs through fundraising, visitor center management, and volunteer coordination."

Larry Berrin
DYNW Branch Director
NNVM Education Director

RECREATION PASSES are Required at designated day use sites on the Deschutes National Forest.

PASSES ACCEPTED:

- 3-day Monument Pass* $10
- National Forest Recreation Day Pass $5
- Annual Northwest Forest Pass $30
- Interagency Annual Pass $80
- Interagency Senior Pass $10
- Interagency Access Pass FREE
- WA & OR Rec Pass w/Interagency Annual $100

PASSES are available at Forest Service offices throughout Washington and Oregon. *The 3-day Newberry National Volcanic Monument Pass is only sold at Lava Lands Visitor Center, Lava River Cave, and Newberry Welcome Stations and is good only for sites within the Monument.

BENEFITS: 95% of the revenue from Recreation Passes stays in the local area for facility maintenance, interpretive services, and ecosystem protection. These passes are your opportunity to care for our public lands and pass on your natural legacy. Thank You!

Ranger Talks are offered at Mt. Bachelor's Pine Marten Lodge by Deschutes National Forest Volunteers in partnership with Discover Your Northwest and Mt. Bachelor.

30-minute Interpretive Talks on the Pine Martin Lodge patio. Purchase a lift ticket and ride the Pine Marten chairlift up to the Lodge. Enjoy the view and learn about the volcanoes, geology, ecology, and cultural history of the region.

July 1 - Sept. 5
DAILY at 11:30am and 1:30pm

Mt. Bachelor information:
1-800-829-2442
www.mtbachelor.com
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Lava River Cave
Lava Butte
Whispering Pines Trail
Black Rock Trail
Lava Butte Lookout
Lava Lands Visitor Center
Benham Falls Road 9702
Cottonwood Exit 151

Road Segment Opens Fall 2011
Road Segment Opens July 1, 2011

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Newberry National Volcanic Monument

Points of Interest

1) Lava Lands Visitor Center offers information, interpretive exhibits, films, a Discover Your Northwest bookstore, water, restrooms, trails, and picnic tables. Vehicles less than 22’ may drive up Lava Butte for a panoramic view of the Monument and surrounding area.

2) Lava River Cave is the longest lava tube in Oregon at one mile in length. Cave visitors are encouraged to wear warm clothing and carry at least two light sources (only propane lanterns or flashlights please). Lanterns are available to rent from Discover Your Northwest at the site.

3) The Deschutes River and Benham Falls are located on the northwest border of the Monument. Picnic, walk, bike, and observe wildlife along this scenic stretch of the Deschutes.

4) Lava Cast Forest offers a one-mile self-guided interpretive trail winding across a 7,000 year old Newberry Volcano basalt lava flow. The lava enveloped a mature ponderosa pine forest taking the shape of the trees as it cooled.

5) Paulina Falls drops dramatically nearly 100 feet over volcanic cliffs. Access the Falls via a short walk from the parking lot off Road 21.

6) Paulina Visitor Center on the floor of Newberry Caldera offers local information, interpretive exhibits, and a Discover Your Northwest bookstore. See page 4 for Ranger Talk schedule.

7) Paulina Peak is the highest point on the rim of Newberry Volcano at 7,985 feet offering a 360-degree view of the surrounding landscape. The unpaved road to the Peak is open when snow-free and is not suited to trailers or motor homes.

8) Paulina and East Lakes may originally have been one large lake, much like Crater Lake, but deposits of pumice and lava divided the crater into two separate bodies of water. The lakes offer excellent fishing from late spring through fall.

9) Big Obsidian Flow is Oregon’s youngest lava flow (1,300 years old). Over 170 million cubic yards of obsidian and pumice erupted from a vent within the caldera. A one-mile loop interpretive trail guides you across a corner of the flow.