



Hood River Harvest Ride Update

Thursday 9/15/11

Dear Harvest Riders,

Thank you checking out the Hood River Harvest Ride. We want to give you the latest information on how the Dollar Lake Fire is affecting the Harvest Ride.

As you may know from our literature, this website and our registration page, we state the following: *“IMPORTANT NOTE: The Hood River Fairgrounds serves as the Emergency Fire Camp location for the region. In the event of a large forest fire, this event will relocate to another site. Please check our website for event details in case of fire.”*

We have kept our fingers crossed every year that there would not be a fire...but this year lightning struck. The HR Fairgrounds, an ideal facility for our ride is currently occupied with around 500 fire fighters tents, equipment and gear. Here are a couple of photos that show the scene. Those on the Parkdale loop will ride by this impressive encampment.



In response, we have switched to our excellent back-up location, the historic and beautiful [Mt. Hood Town Hall](#) in the upper valley. The ride is still going to be beautiful this year. Here is a photo of the Town Hall I took today:



We expect to have the updated route maps up on the www.HRHarvestRide.com website in a day or two, along with updated camping information (see below) and any other updates. Please check back to the website several times prior to the ride on September 24 to see if there are further updates, which will be announced on our home page.

Thanks again for considering the 2011 Harvest Ride and hope we get to see you on September 24, 2011!

Regards,

Peter Cornelison

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Ride Director



Campers Note: Camping will not be on site but at [Toll Bridge Park](#), which is 1.3 miles south from the Mt. Hood Town Hall on Highway 35 and run by HR County. The park has two bathroom buildings with showers and 86 sites-first come first served basis (it is very unlikely they would be filled in late Sept.). This beautiful campground is located along the Hood River.

You pay for camping at Toll Bridge Park when you arrive. We will contact everyone who has already paid for a camping and work out a refund, depending on how you paid. The rates are slightly less than the Fairgrounds as follows:

Partial RV hook-up	\$19
Full RV hook-up	\$20
Tent site	\$18
Tent site with electricity	\$19