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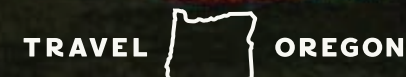
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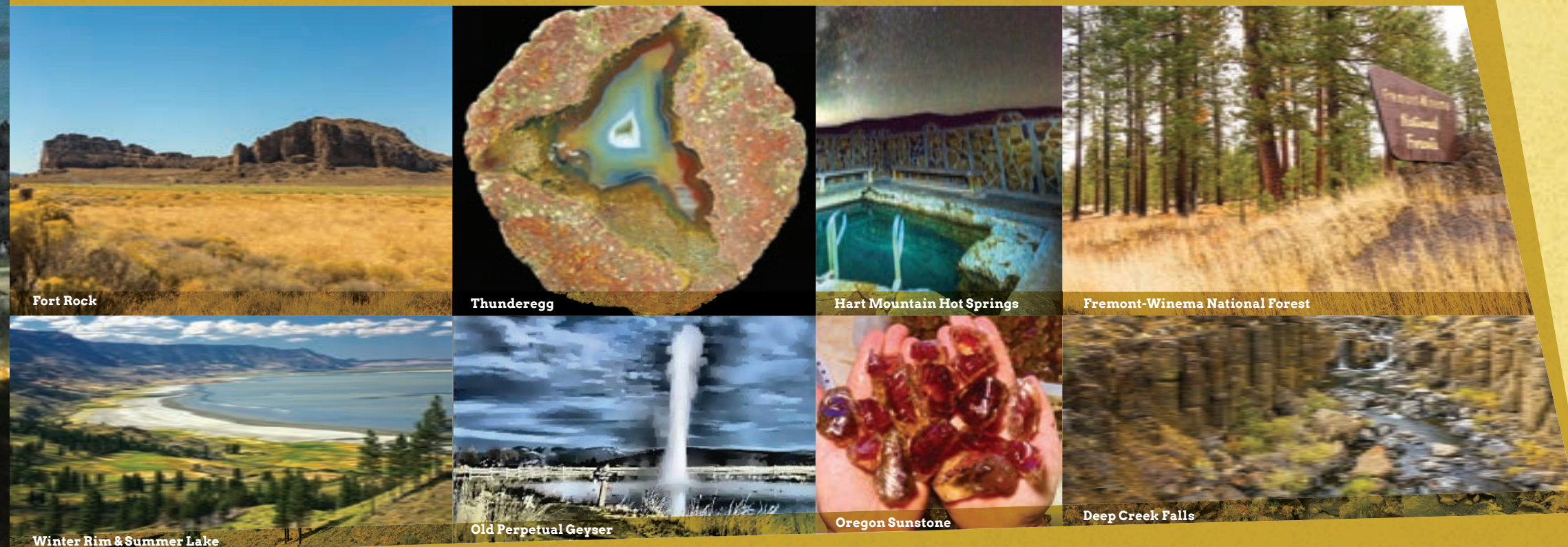
For the curious at heart, some of the best adventures involve learning, observing and a few hands-on activities. Lake County's phenomenal geology offers opportunities for the inquisitive adventurer! Mountain ranges, volcanic features, the highest and longest fault escarpment in Oregon (Abert Rim), geothermal features including hot springs and geysers, ancient lakes, and features carved over millions of years of wind, rain and snow. Pick up a guidebook and brush up on geology terms. At the end of a day of geologic adventures, **KICK YOUR BOOTS OFF AND STAY AWHILE.**

Explore!

As the sun rises over the horizon, there is a glint under the sagebrush. That twinkle in the high desert dawn is Oregon's State Gem - the Sunstone! Treasured all the way back to the area's first inhabitants. The stones were picked up by curious pioneers and today can be found in jewelry produced by area artisans. For those wanting to capture a little piece of the sun, visit Lakeview District Bureau of Land Management Sunstone Collection Area. In North Lake County, explore & enjoy the tower of Fort Rock and then hike into the depths of Crack in the Ground. South of Lakeview, near Crane Creek, the volcanic legacy of the area has deposited Thundereggs. These ordinary, baseball-sized rocks each hold unique & colorful blends of minerals which are exposed

when the rocks are cut and polished. Just like Lake County, if you scratch beneath the surface, there is something extraordinary waiting to be discovered!

True Hospitality Awaits



LAKE COUNTY HOT SPRINGS & GEYSERS



Spending three nights in Lake County is an opportunity to enjoy three unique hot spring experiences, or to enjoy a thermal experience with a little more altitude & attitude. Hart Mountain Hot Springs and Campground, located on the Sheldon-Hart Mountain National Wildlife Refuge Complex managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, has scenic views and nighttime skies so dark that you can enjoy relaxing under a blanket of millions of stars. Hunters Hot Springs Resort offers lodging and a pool. Summer Lake Hot Springs outside Paisley features ancient artesian mineral hot springs with cabins and spectacular views of Winter Rim. For more information on: Hart Mountain Hot Springs, visit www.fws.gov/sheldonthartmntn; Hunter's Hot Springs Resort, call 541-947-4242; Summer Lake Hot Springs, visit www.summerlakehotsprings.com. Old Perpetual Geyser located north of Lakeview and Crump Lake Geyser north of Adel put on shows when conditions are right.

FORT ROCK

The centerpiece for this Oregon State Natural Area is the tower of jagged rock, rising out of the desert like a fortress. Managed by Oregon State Parks, this geologic feature is bigger than it looks! It's an old tuff ring set in what was a prehistoric shallow sea. Visitors can go for a hike or take a guided tour of the area to learn more not only about the geologic history but also to learn about Lake County's earliest residents.

Visit www.oregonstateparks.org for more information.

LAKEVIEW DISTRICT BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM)

The BLM has a tremendous amount of public lands featuring amazing geology! Abert Rim, Oregon Sunstones, large swaths of Oregon's Outback - there are more than 3.5 million acres to explore, with much of that in Lake County. For more information, including Sunstone collection sites and mines, please contact the Lakeview District BLM at 541-947-2177, visit www.blm.gov/office/lakeview-district-office, or stop by the office at 1301 South G St. in Lakeview.

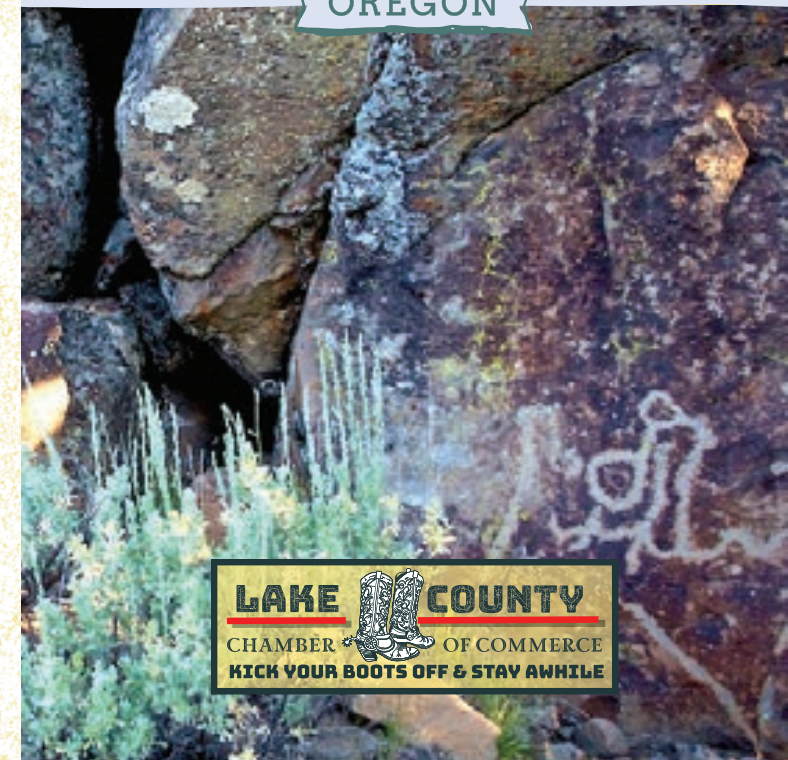
FREMONT-WINEMA NATIONAL FOREST

There are more than trees in the Fremont-Winema National Forest! With the Warner Mountains, Winter Rim, Fremont Point and the Palisades in the Gearhart Wilderness, there is something for those who want to enjoy great geology combined with fabulous recreation. Visit www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema for more information or to find a Ranger Station in Lake County.

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COUNTY GEOLOGIC FEATURES

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Explore LAKE COUNTY

Geology in Lake County rocks! Shaped through the millenia by the power of volcanoes, earthquakes, shifting tectonic plates, wind, water, heat and cold - the county is now a wonderland of stunning mountains with breathtaking vistas; expansive valleys, dry lakes and wet meadows; treasure troves of special minerals - some below the surface while other jewels sparkle in the sagebrush; majestic tabletop mountains resembling ancient inhabitants laying down to rest; cracks carved in the ground and smatterings of boulders sprinkled across the landscape.

The area begs to be explored - offering wild adventures for kids of all ages! Whether it's enjoying the expansive landscape from a roadside, climbing mountains for a view extending from Mt. Shasta to Mt. Bachelor on a clear day, or digging in the dirt for a sunstone or elusive thunderegg, there is something for everyone. Lake County invites you to check out the spectacular geology that is its cornerstone. Take some time to gather some knowledge, make sure you have the right permits and gear, and get in touch with your inner rockhound.



Grab Your Gear

Make sure you have the right supplies:

- ◆ Plenty of food & water.
- ◆ Layers of clothing - light & heavy.
- ◆ Hat, sunscreen & sunglasses/protective eyewear.
- ◆ Proper footwear for traveling over uneven terrain - like hiking boots with good tread.
- ◆ Rock hammer, bags for collecting in permitted areas.
- ◆ Binoculars - you never know what you'll see!

Let's Go

Safety Tips for the Oregon Outback:

- ◆ Tell someone where you are going and when you plan to be back.
- ◆ Make sure to have a full tank of gas, battery is charged and the vehicle is in good working condition.
- ◆ Have maps available & know how to navigate - do not rely on mapping apps. The high desert can be disorienting, even for locals.
- ◆ Your cellphone may not work here! Cellphone coverage can be spotty and even nonexistent in some areas. Brushing up on classic outdoors and survival skills is advised for when technology isn't working.
- ◆ Stay on designated roads & trails. If roads are wet & you are leaving ruts or can see tracks in the rearview mirror, turn around or stop & hike.



Amazing Journeys



NORTH LAKE COUNTY

Fort Rock - Silver Lake - Lost Forest - Crack in the Ground - Hole in the Ground - Sand Dunes - Fossil Lake - Derick Cave - The Devils Garden - The Blowouts - Winter Rim - Picture Rock - Mitchell Cave - Sycan Marsh - Carlon Village - Dead Indian Ridge



DREWS & QUARTZ MOUNTAIN

Palisades in the Gearhart Wilderness Area - Petroglyphs at Sprague River Park - Mitchell Monument Historic Site



WARNER VALLEY

Poker Jim Ridge - North Warner Viewpoint - Hart Mountain - Hot Springs on Hart Mountain - Petroglyph Lake - Long Lake - Sunstone Collection Area - Doherty Slide - Beaty Butte Potholes & Petroglyphs - Plush Cave - Deep Creek Falls - Crump Lake - Hart Lake/Wetlands - Narrows - Crump Geyser



PAISLEY & SUMMER LAKE

Summer Lake Hot Springs - Paisley Caves - Winter Rim - Picture Rock - Fremont Point - Slide Mountain - The Diablos (mountains that change color) - Connelly Hills - Abert Rim - Coglen Buttes - Chewaucan River



GOOSE LAKE VALLEY

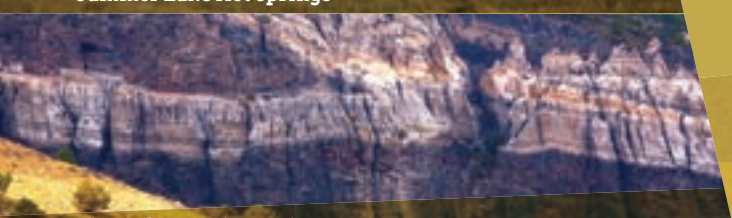
Goose Lake - Crane Mountain - Thundereggs - Old Perpetual Geyser - Hunters Hot Springs - Black Cap

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

There are some great places to find a piece of Lake County's amazing geology to take home! However, rock collectors should be aware of rules, regulations and land ownership before collecting. Some areas require permits - even on public lands - and there may be fees associated. Check with local rockshops, as well as federal land agencies like the Lakeview District of the Bureau of Land Management or the Fremont-Winema National Forest, to learn about areas for rock collecting and rules and regulations.



Summer Lake Hot Springs



Pinnacles at Winter Rim



Abert Rim



Sunstones