

**T**ravel back in time and take a walk through history.

**T**he Depression Era and World War II brought much activity to Klamath, Lake, and Modoc Country. The massive public works projects of the federal government provided direct relief for citizens hungry for work, under the auspices of the Civilian Conservation Corps and other programs of the Works Progress Administration.

**I**n the Pacific Northwest, public works projects included the development of the Columbia River Basin. Locally, men from the Civilian Conservation Corps, known as the "Tree Army," planted millions of trees and constructed roadways and buildings still in use today. Inside you will find a list of just a few special places.

**W**orld War II brought an end to the CCC, as the nation, and especially the West Coast, responded to the war overseas. There's plenty of evidence of World War II right here. Inside are a few locations of interest if you want to know more about the war at home.

**M**any of these sites are just now being developed for travelers interested in a tour of history. Please "**Tread Lightly**" and remember that the removal of objects and artifacts on public lands is strictly forbidden.

*Tread Lightly is like the "Leave No Trace" ethic of the hiker. It means that you provide the next user the same experience that you enjoyed by staying on the trail, picking up litter, practicing trail courtesy and respecting public as well as private property. It's a small but thoughtful price to pay for the well being of our outdoor environment!*

## Bonus Points

**W**ant to get deep into World War II history? Here are listed places off the beaten path for really special experiences.

- In the high desert of rural Lake County, Derrick Cave is of interest not only for its fascinating geological history but also for activities associated with the American war effort well into the Cold War years. This little-known site, once developed as a bomb shelter, is part of a wilderness study area, so please **Tread Lightly**. **Information: Bureau of Land Management, Lakeview District, 541-947-2177.**
- A number of fire lookouts in the area were used as part of the Aircraft Warning Service before the existence of an adequate radar system. Personnel stationed there kept an eye to the skies in anticipation of approaching enemy aircraft. Want to know more? Call **Prospect Ranger District, Prospect, OR, 541-560-3400**, and ask about Hershberger Peak Lookout. It's just one of several in the region.

- Travel over 4-wheel drive roads deep into the back country and view on-the-ground CCC-era conservation projects including spring developments and erosion control measures. **Information: Bureau of Land Management, Alturas Resource Area, Alturas, CA 530-233-4666.**



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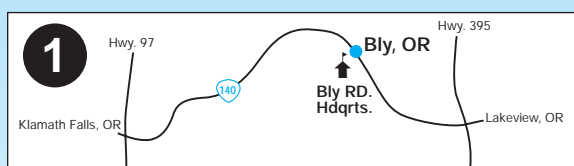
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## Civilian Conservation Corps —



### Bly Ranger Station

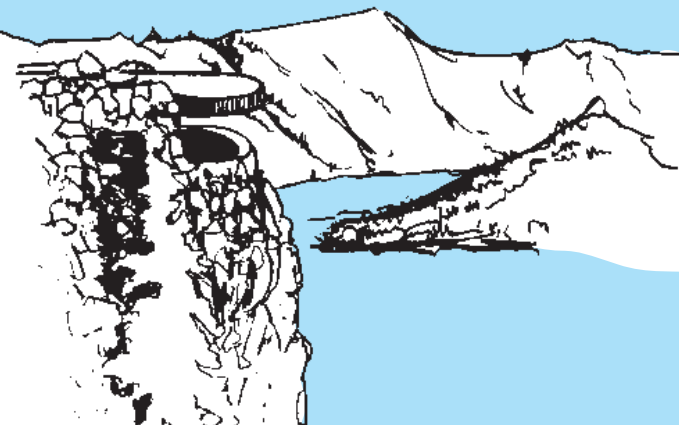
*Bly, OR, on Hwy. 140, 53 miles E. of Klamath Falls, OR.*

This rustic compound, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps between 1936 and 1942. Take a short self-guided tour and examine the distinctive stonework of the Ranger's Residence and other buildings. Ask Forest Service Personnel about the site of the former CCC camp nearby.

**Information: Bly Ranger District, 541-353-2427.**

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# WORLD WAR II SITES & CCC PROJECTS



# Klamath, Lake, & Modoc Country

Southern Oregon & Northeastern California

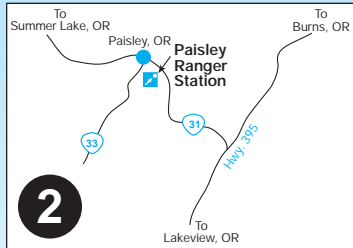
### Paisley Ranger Station

Paisley, OR, on Hwy 31.

Built in 1939 by local experienced men and the CCC, under the supervision of the U.S. Forest Service. The rustic style of architecture as seen in these buildings is typical of the period. Visitor information is available.

A dugout canoe, built by CCC workers from a local pine tree is also displayed on the grounds.

Information: Paisley Ranger District, 541-943-3114.

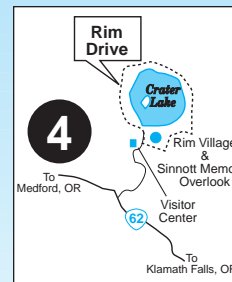
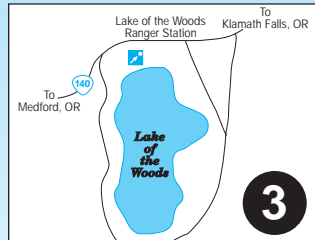


### Lake of the Woods Ranger Station

Hwy 140, 33 mi. W of Klamath Falls, OR.

Ranger Station and seven other buildings were constructed between 1937 and 1939 by CCC workers. These historic wood-frame structures retain their original appearance with the exception of new metal roofs. Step inside the visitor center for displays on early Forest Service activities, and take a look at the massive stone fireplace.

Information: Klamath Ranger District, 541-885-3400



### Crater Lake National Park

60 mi. N of Klamath Falls, OR on Hwy. 97 & 62.

While the Park, established in 1902, precedes the CCC, a number of buildings and other projects were constructed by Depression-era workers. The intricate stonework typical of CCC projects can be found throughout the park in retaining walls and along pullouts. Be sure to take a look at the Rim Village Visitor Center

structure and the Sinnott Memorial Overlook.

Information: Crater Lake National Park, 541-594-2211



### Lava Beds National Monument

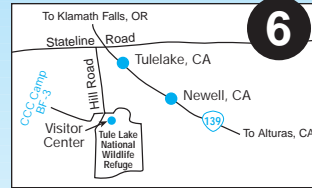
From Tulelake, CA, W 5 mi. on East-West Rd., S 9.5 mi. on Hill Rd. to Monument, S 9.5 mi. to Visitor Center.

A large part of the infrastructure of Lava Beds National

Monument was built by CCC workers from camps at Gillam Camp and Sheeey Ridge. Camp Tulelake was later used for German POWs.

Information: Lava Beds National Monument, 530-667-2282

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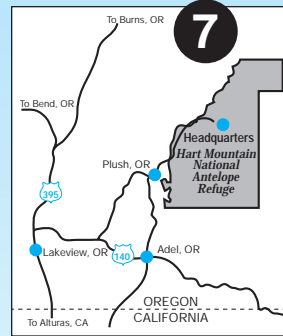


### Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge

From Tulelake, CA W 5 mi. on East-West Rd., S 1/2 mi. on Hill Rd.

As you begin to enter the Refuge, note the location of the CCC camp known as BF-3. As with the Lava Beds NM, most of the Refuge's infrastructure were constructed by CCC workers. Be sure to check out the rock walls all around the Refuge. There is a 1/3 mi. trail to a cliff-top scenic overlook.

Information: Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 530-667-2231.



### Hart Mountain National Antelope Refuge

From Plush, OR, N approx. 20 mi. on Hart Mountain Rd.

Many buildings on this Refuge bring the visitor back to the days of the CCC. Just inside the refuge boundary you'll pass the clearly marked site of a former CCC camp. Here Company 3442 carried out a number of projects including fence construction and erecting telephone lines in the area. The infirmary building is all that remains.

Further on, the refuge headquarters buildings and residences are striking examples of CCC-era stonework. Erected in 1936 under supervision of Refuge personnel. **Note**—The ascent up the ridge to refuge headquarters can be steep, hard going. Use good judgement.

Information: Hart Mountain National Antelope Reserve, 541-947-3315.

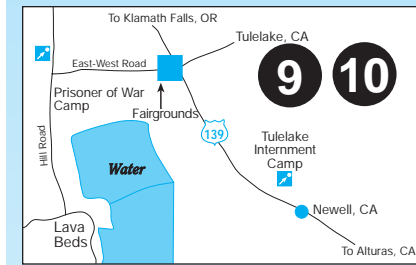
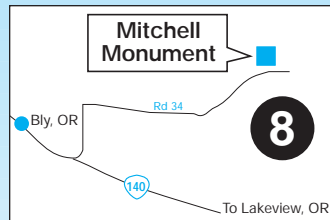
## World War II —

### Mitchell Monument

From Bly, OR, E on Hwy. 140 for 1/2 mi. N on Campbell Rd. for 1/2 mi., right on Forest Service Rd. 34 approx. 9 mi.

Weyerhaeuser Timber Company donated 22 acres to Fremont National Forest to commemorate the location of the only World War II fatalities by enemy action in the Continental United States. Pastor Archie Mitchell's wife and five school children were killed by the explosion of a Japanese Balloon Bomb on May 6, 1945. The device was one of many intended to spark enormous forest fires along the west coast as part of the Japanese war effort.

Information: Bly Ranger District, 541-353-2427.



### Tulelake/Butte Valley Fairgrounds Museum

In Tulelake, CA, just off Hwy 139.

The World War II-era "American Citizen" & Japanese citizen internment camp was in Newell

and is the focus of an extensive collection at this museum. Usually open only during the Tulelake Fair, feel free to call ahead and schedule a visit. Be sure to drive by the former site of the camp. Look for the large stone historical marker on Hwy. 139 in Newell, CA.

Information: Tulelake/Butte Valley Fairgrounds, 530-667-5312.

### Prisoner of War Camp Site

From Tulelake, CA, W 5 mi. on East-West Rd., N approx. 1 mi. on Hill Rd., to camp, S to Visitor Center.

This abandoned CCC camp was the site of a World War II German Prisoner of War Camp. While, due to safety hazards, the camp is not open to the public, it is well worth the drive and can be viewed from the county road. More information about activities of the men at the camp is available at the nearby Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center.

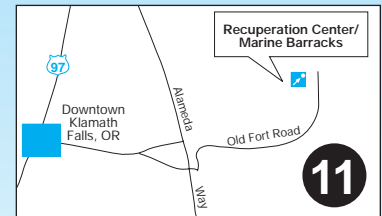
Information: Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 530-667-2231.

### Recuperation Center/Marine Barracks

From Klamath Falls, OR, N approx. 2 mi. on Old Fort Rd.

Marine veterans were stationed at this location to recuperate from tropical diseases contracted during the war in the Pacific. The high elevation and temperate climate of Klamath Falls made the barracks a comfortable home for over 5000 men. A monument now marks the site.

Information: Klamath County Dept. of Tourism, 800-445-6728.



### Lakeview Municipal Airport

From Hwy 140, 5 mi. S/W of Lakeview, OR, follow County Rd. 1-10A South.

During World War II the U. S. Navy constructed a base and air strip here to train pilots. The hangar is still in use today. Nearby are the old ammunition bunkers.

Information: Lake County Airport, 541-947-4222.

