



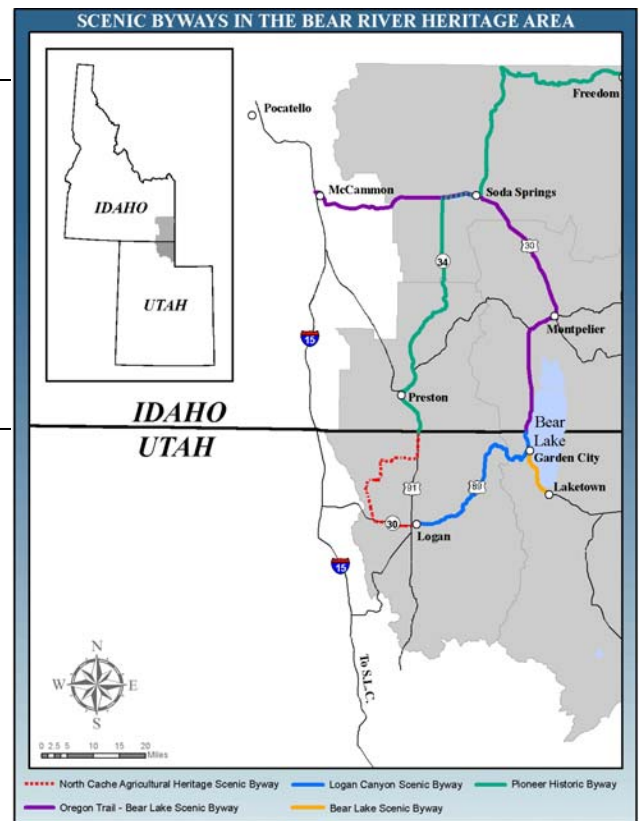
BEAR RIVER HERITAGE AREA “BLESSED BY WATER, WORKED BY HAND” SCENIC LOOP TOUR

Enjoy this driving loop through Northern Utah and Southeastern Idaho. Experience scenic Logan Canyon, Bear Lake, historic trails followed by early emigrants, and the natural and agricultural vistas.

Time to allow: Two days

Build an itinerary at www.bearriverheritage.com

On the website, look for the links to the self-guided tours of historic barns of northern Utah and southeast Idaho under the “About Us” tab. You can print stories of historic barns along the route to compliment this itinerary.



#1 – Logan Canyon National Scenic Byway – Utah

This byway highlights the natural beauty, recreational opportunities and cultural history of the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest. Start on 400 North (US Hwy 89) in Logan. Travel east to the mouth of Logan Canyon. Continue on the Logan Canyon National Scenic byway to Garden City. www.byways.org/explore/byways **Distance:** 40 miles

Cache Valley Visitors Bureau and Gift Shop –

Historic Courthouse, 199 North Main, Logan.

www.tourcachevalley.com 435-755-1890

Logan Ranger District – 1500 East Hwy 89. Gift shop, maps, guides to recreation and camping in Logan Canyon.

Tony Grove Lake – Fishing, canoeing, swimming and camping. Easy walking trails around lake, trail heads for more extensive hiking. (Milepost 480.8)



Beaver Mountain Resort and Beaver Creek Lodge – Winter sports, picnic sites, horseback riding and lodging. (Milepost 486.8)

Bear Lake Overlook – Stunning vista of Bear Lake and the region. Visitor information and restrooms facilities, tour bus, RV and auto parking. (Milepost 492.8)

Bear Lake – Picnicking, birding, biking and walking trail, ice fishing, cross country skiing. www.bearlake.org

#2 – Oregon Trail-Bear Lake Scenic Byway – Idaho

A trek through early western history, this byway starts at the Utah-Idaho border near Fish Haven, Idaho. It features the historic architecture of the region, lake and agricultural vistas, and historic pioneer trail history. From Garden City, follow US Hwy 89 north and east to US Hwy 30 at Montpelier; continuing north through Bennington and Georgetown to Soda Springs. At Soda Springs, continue west on US Hwy 30 to Blazer Highway (old Hwy 30). You will see the sign for Old US Hwy 30 at the intersection of US Hwy 30 and State Hwy 34. Visit Bancroft and Chesterfield then continue west on Hwy 30 Lava Hot Springs and McCammon at I-15. Some sites open seasonally. Go to www.seidaho.org for more information. **Distance:** 111 miles

Minnetonka Cave – Guided tours while hiking the 444 cave stairs.

Bloomington Lake – Turn at the sign to Bloomington Canyon in the town of Bloomington.

Bear Lake National Wildlife Refuge – Shorebirds, waterfowl, songbirds and birds of prey. Access from St. Charles, Paris or Montpelier. www.fws.gov/bearlake



Paris Tabernacle – Free guided tours of early Mormon meeting place, Memorial Day to Labor Day. Paris museum right across the street.

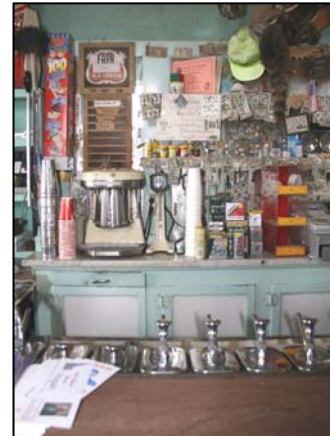
National Oregon/California Trail Center – 320 North 400 East, Montpelier. www.oregontrailcenter.org

1917 Enders Hotel – 76 South Main Soda Springs

Antique Gift Shop, Enders Museum and Geysir View dining room.

Toolson's General Store – Old Hwy 89, Bancroft. Homemade shakes and drugstore commodities. Down the street, refreshments at "The Bar".

Chesterfield – Restoration of early 1900's town. Turn north at Bancroft. www.chesterfieldfoundation.org



#3 – Pioneer Historic Byway

Turn south at State Hwy 34 from US Hwy 30 just west of Soda Springs, travel south through Grace and Thatcher, following the route of the Bear River. (A scenic leg of this byway also follows State Hwy 34 at Soda Springs to Freedom, Wyoming.) At Preston, follow US Hwy 91 south to the Idaho-Utah border. The Pioneer Historic Byway ends at the town of Franklin. **Distance:** 127 miles

Maple Grove Hot Springs – State Hwy 34, located along the Bear River at the North end of Oneida Narrows reservoir in the scenic Oneida Narrows canyon. www.maplegrovehotsprings.com



Bear River Massacre Site –

Commemorative overlook marks the spot of the 1863 massacre of over 250 Shoshone Indian people. From Preston, travel 2.5 miles northwest on US Hwy 91.

Bob's True Value Hardware –

Old fashioned hardware & general store started as J.C. Penny store over 50 years ago. 44 South State Street, Preston, Idaho.

Town of Franklin – Historic district on Main Street highlights Idaho's first permanent settlement. www.franklinidaho.org



#4 – Cache Agricultural Heritage Scenic Drive – Utah

This drive completes a loop with the three designated scenic byways in the Bear River Heritage Area. From the Idaho-Utah border at Franklin, take US Hwy 91 south. At Richmond, turn west at State Hwy 142. Travel through Trenton, Clarkston and Newton. At Newton, turn south at State Hwy 23, go through Cache Junction. Side trips through the north end of this drive highlight a cookie factory, an ice cream factory, an apple farm and log cabin museum. The south end of the tour highlights the marshes of the Little Bear and the Bear River along US Hwy 30 and back into the town of Logan. **Distance:** 30 miles

Casper's Ice cream – Home of the Fat Boy Ice cream sandwich. 11805 North 200 East, Lewiston. Turn west on 11600 North, just north of Richmond. Travel 1 mile to the entrance on the north side of the road. Call 435-258-5219 for hours.

DragonGoose Farm and Apple Cider – Heading west from Casper's, visit DragonGoose Farm and sample fresh apples and cider in the fall. There is a rose garden, apple orchard, historic granary and home. Don't miss the Utah Champion Box elder tree, planted in 1875. Shaw Lane, the driveway to the farm goes up a hill on the south side after the bend in the road. Call ahead for appointment: 435-258-2702 or 435-760-1274 www.dragongoose.com



Pepperidge Farms – Back on US Hwy 91, just north of Richmond's Main Street, you can buy fresh cookies, crackers, and frozen foods at Pepperidge Farm outlet store. Address: 901 North 200 West (1.4 miles from the stop light at Richmond.) Look for their sign on the west side of the highway. Store info: 435-258-2491

City of Richmond – Turn east on Richmond's Main Street. Start at Carnegie Library and pick up a guide to walk the Historic District. Info: 435-258-5525 or 435-258-2092.

Visit **Rockhill Creamery** barns and taste hand crafted artisan cheeses. 563 South State Street, 435-258-1278. Open Saturdays 11am – 2 pm (No restrooms) www.rockhillcheese.com



Trenton – From Richmond's Main Street, drive west on Hwy 142 to Trenton. Look for the abandoned Merrill's Market and other historic

buildings still standing. Other interesting sites are the Trenton Feed Co-op at the railroad tracks, and south of Trenton along Hwy 23, the Trenton Cemetery, at the base of "Little Mountain."

Side trip: Lewiston DUP Museum –

Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Museum site established 1999. Located at 2668 West 2000 South, Lewiston. From Trenton, head north on State Hwy 23, turn east on 2000 South. The museum is on the north side. Call ahead for an appointment to see inside. 435-258-2512

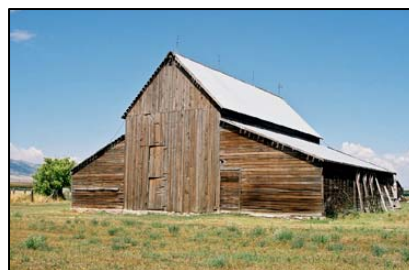


↓ You will drive over this historic bridge crossing the Bear River on your way to and from the museum.



From Hwy 23, turn west on State Hwy 142 towards Clarkston. On the way you will see a turn-off to the loop around Newton Lake and Dam. This was the first reservoir built for irrigation in western United States. In Clarkston, follow the signs to Clarkston Cemetery at the north end of town. This is the site of the Martin Harris pageant. Interpretive signs tell the story of the cemetery and pageant. Drive by the **Andrew Stewart Heggie barn**, 69 North Main.

Newton – Follow Hwy 142 from Clarkston, going south until it intersects with the town of Newton. Visit Newton Library and genealogical research center, located in Town Hall at 51 South Center. Books on women in history and migrations of pioneers. Check library website for hours or call for information. 435-563-9283 <http://home.comcast.net/~newtonlib> View the **Sern T. Peterson barn**, 175 West Main. In Newton look for the rock houses and Bep’s Country Market. Ask about the United Suffolk Sheep Association. 17 West Main is where every Suffolk Sheep in the United States is registered.



Cache Junction – Continue on Hwy 23 going south to Cache Junction. Learn about its history and all about the historic buildings by stopping in at Walton’s Feed. 5740 North 7000 West. 435-563-5301

Benson and Cutler marshes: Continue south on Hwy 23 and turn east on US Hwy 30. If you are adventuresome you can stop at one of the birding sites along the way, or

launch a canoe on the Benson Marsh before heading back to Logan. For a two hour canoe ride, check out Muddy Road Outfitters in Benson, 435-213-0504. For maps to birding and canoeing sites, check the website of the Bridgerland Audubon Society. www.bridgerlandaudubon.org

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