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Lower Columbia Road Trip Itinerary

Description:

Dig deeper into the storied landscape of the Columbia River with Confluence. On this three-day tour, from the Sandy River Delta to the confluence of the Columbia and the Pacific Ocean, leaders in tribal lifeways and sovereignty, archaeology and ecological stewardship share their work and perspectives on the history, heritage and experience that contribute to an evolving story of the Columbia River. Explore, consider and converse at sites along the river selected for their capacity to illustrate rich, enduring stories of place. Themes include Columbia River history, tribal sovereignty and survivance, evolving land ethic and designing for social change.

Trip dates: July 13-15, 2018

Friday, July 13

4:00 - 6:00 pm- Check in, greetings and dinner at The Historic Cedar School, Troutdale, OR.

Speakers:

- Colin Fogarty, Executive Director- Confluence
- Greg Archuleta, Lifeways Educator- Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde
- Michael Karnosh, Ceded Lands Program Manager- Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde.
- Bill Weiler, Restoration Project Coordinator-Sandy River Watershed Council

6:30 - 8:30 pm- Sandy River Delta/ Confluence Bird Blind walk

Speakers join us for a walk and talk through the delta, highlighting natural features, sharing pertinent stories and discussing the ever-evolving landscape and ecology of the delta.

Saturday, July 14

9:00 - 11:30 am- Confluence Land Bridge/Fort Vancouver Tour, Vancouver, WA.

Speakers:

- Lillian Pitt, celebrated Columbia River Artist
- Christine Dupres, Cowlitz Tribal Council Member, Folklorist and author of *Being Cowlitz: How One Tribe Renewed and Sustained Its Identity*
- Doug Wilson, Archaeologist- Fort Vancouver National Historic Site

We will start near the banks of the Columbia and head over the Land Bridge with Lillian and Christine, discussing how landscape builds identity, exploring the effects of dislocation and disassociation, and ways to reclaim identity. Once over the bridge we will be joined by Doug and have a deep dive into the colonial archaeology of Fort Vancouver.

11:30 – 1:00 pm- Lunch at the Eatery at the Grant House, Fort Vancouver

1:00 - 4:00 pm- Travel to Bay Center, WA

4:00 - 7:00 pm- An evening with the Chinook Nation. We are extremely fortunate to have been invited to join Chairman, Tony Johnson, and other members of the Chinook Nation to enjoy a salmon bake, song and dance and walk down to the old village site.

Evening accommodation options include camping at the Bay Center KOA, the Seaquest Motel in South Bend or heading towards Long Beach/Illwaco-Cape Disappointment options for Sunday morning's tour at Cape Disappointment.

Sunday, July 15

10:00 am -12:00 pm- Visit Confluence at Cape Disappointment

Speakers:

- Aaron Webster, Interpretive Specialist - Cape Disappointment Washington State Parks
- Colin Fogarty, Executive Director- Confluence

12:30 pm- Depart for Vancouver

3:30- 4:00 pm -Arrive in Vancouver. If carpooling with Confluence, we plan on returning travellers to Fort Vancouver. Please contact Courtney to discuss alternatives.

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