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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Hood to Coast Relay starts Friday

Motorists share highways with 17,000 runners and walkers this weekend

The annual Hood to Coast Relay race begins **Friday, Aug. 27 through Saturday, Aug. 28**, with more than 17,000 runners and walkers using several Oregon highways. The route takes race participants from Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood to Seaside.

Motorists need to watch for runners, walkers and numerous support vehicles throughout the race route, starting Friday morning. **Please use caution when approaching or passing runners, walkers and support vehicles.**

U.S. 26 (Mt. Hood Highway) lane restriction east of Sandy

Westbound traffic on U.S. 26 near milepost 30 (east of Sandy) will be narrowed to one lane approaching the top of Cherryville Hill to provide support vehicle parking. This section is on the west end of a two-mile section of center cable barrier.

Increased enforcement

State, county and city police agencies along the relay route will have a visible patrol enforcement presence. **Anyone observing a dangerous driver should contact Oregon State Police at 1-800-452-7888 or 9-1-1.** Hood to Coast Relay information: www.hoodtocoast.com.

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