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# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **HOOD TO COAST = RUNNERS ON HIGHWAYS**

Friday, August 26 and Saturday, August 27, 17,000 runners and walkers will travel along several Oregon Department of Transportation highways as they make their way from Timberline Lodge to Seaside in the annual Hood to Coast Relay. A large array of support vehicles are also involved in the event and will be entering and exiting highway traffic throughout the two-day event. The roads under ODOT jurisdiction that are used in the event are Timberline Road (Highway 173), Mt. Hood Highway (U.S. 26), U.S. 30, Highway 47 and Highway 202.

### **Current Construction Projects**

In addition to the usual challenges participants face in this relay, a number of highways along the route have construction projects currently under way. ODOT and its contractors are making every effort to minimize the effects of these projects on event participants and supporters. **Motorists are urged to use caution when overtaking and passing runners, walkers and support vehicles and to pay special attention when traveling through construction zones.**

### **Increased Enforcement**

State, county, and city police agencies along the relay route will have visible patrol enforcement presence. U.S. 26 between Timberline Road and Gresham will be worked extensively by Oregon State Police, Clackamas County S.O. and Sandy Police Department. Anyone observing a dangerous driver is asked to contact Oregon State Police dispatch at 1-800-452-7888 or 9-1-1. For more information on the Hood to Coast Relay, including the full course map, visit: [www.hoodtocoast.com](http://www.hoodtocoast.com)

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