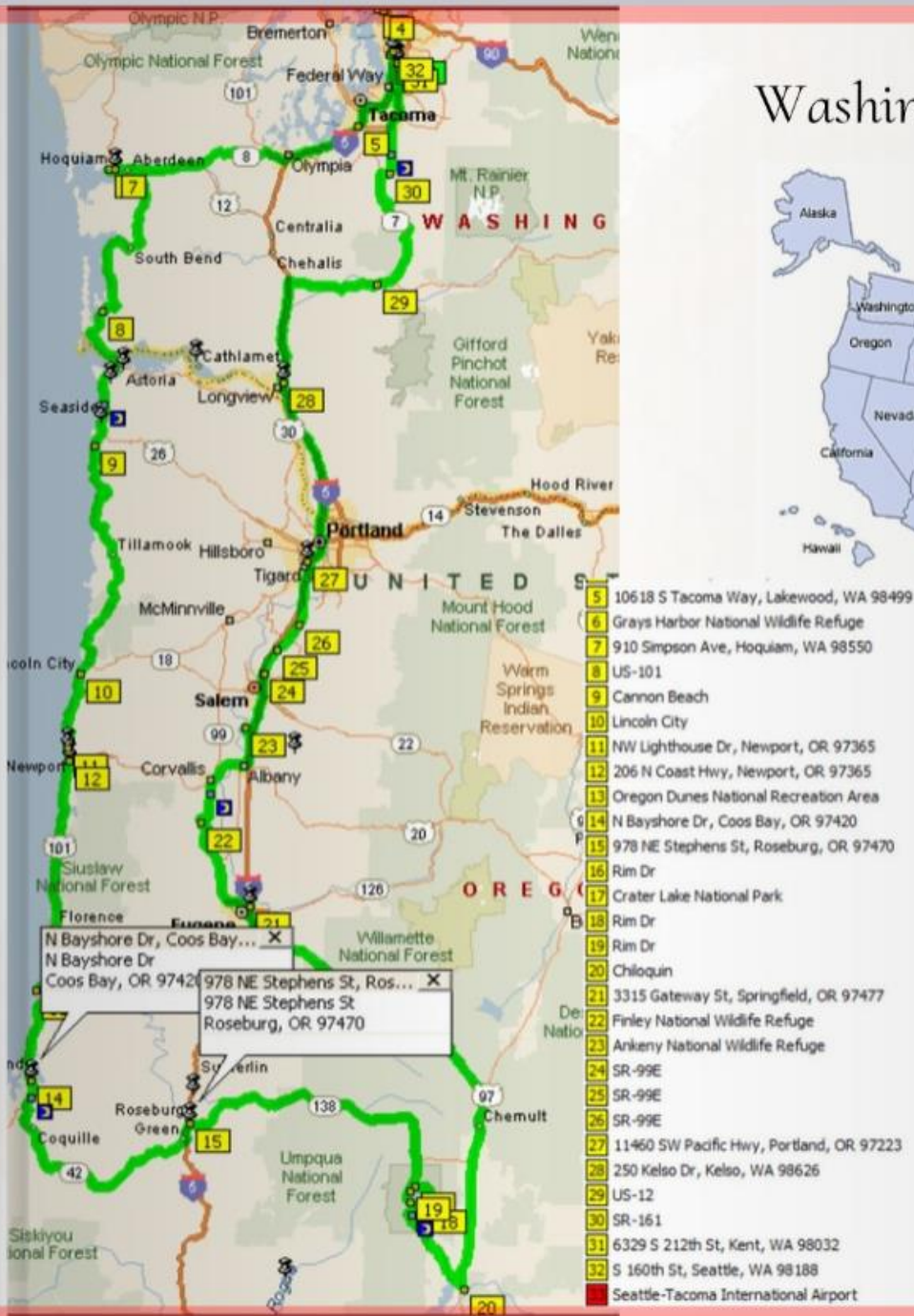


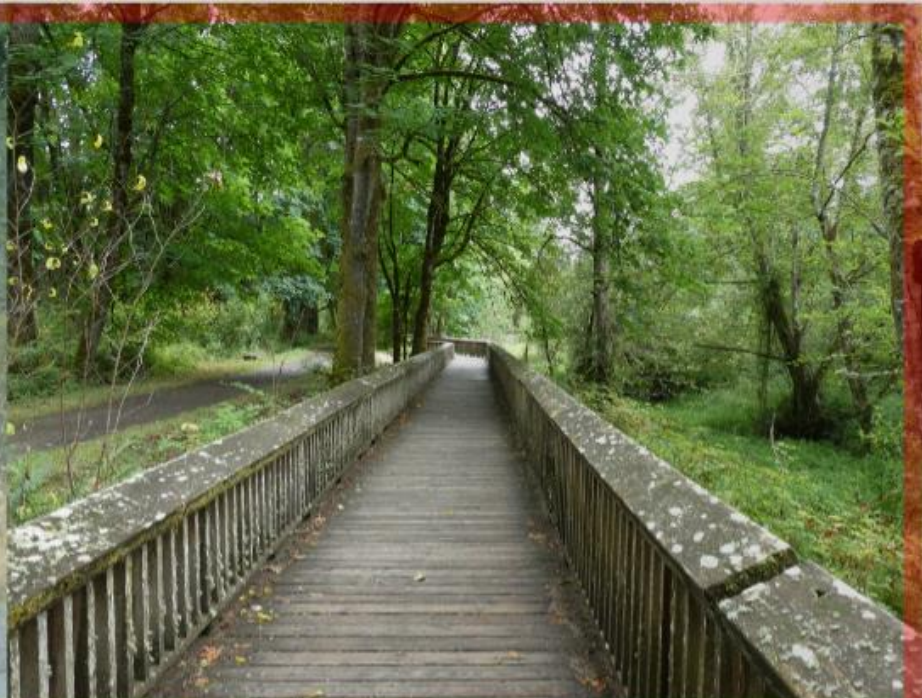
Washington to Oregon, roundtrip August 9-19, 2019



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Crater Lake, Oregon



Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge



Hammond's flycatcher



Kinnikinnick



Snowberries

Blackberries



Hawthorn





Pacific tree frogs
on cattails



Gadwall

Townsend's chipmunk







Grays Harbor National Wildlife Refuge

Osprey

Yellow-faced bumble bee





White-tailed deers take an evening stroll along Ocean Shores Boulevard,
Ocean Shores, WA





View from route 101, Washington

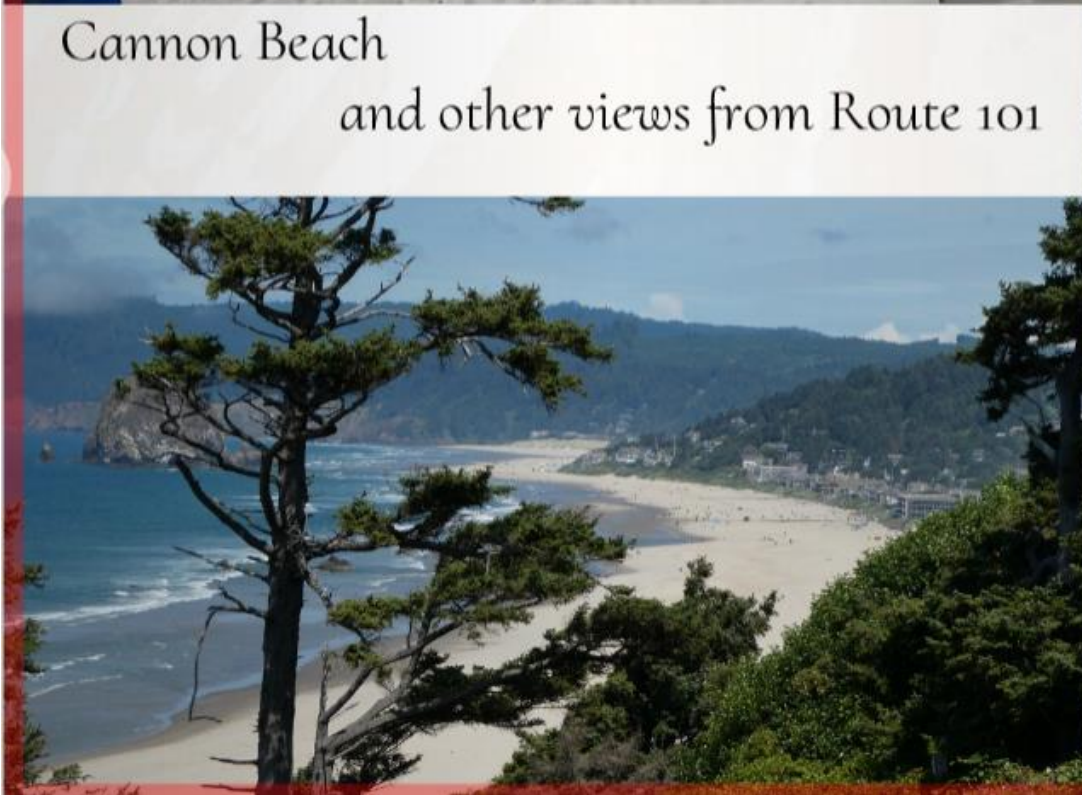
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Cannon Beach
and other views from Route 101

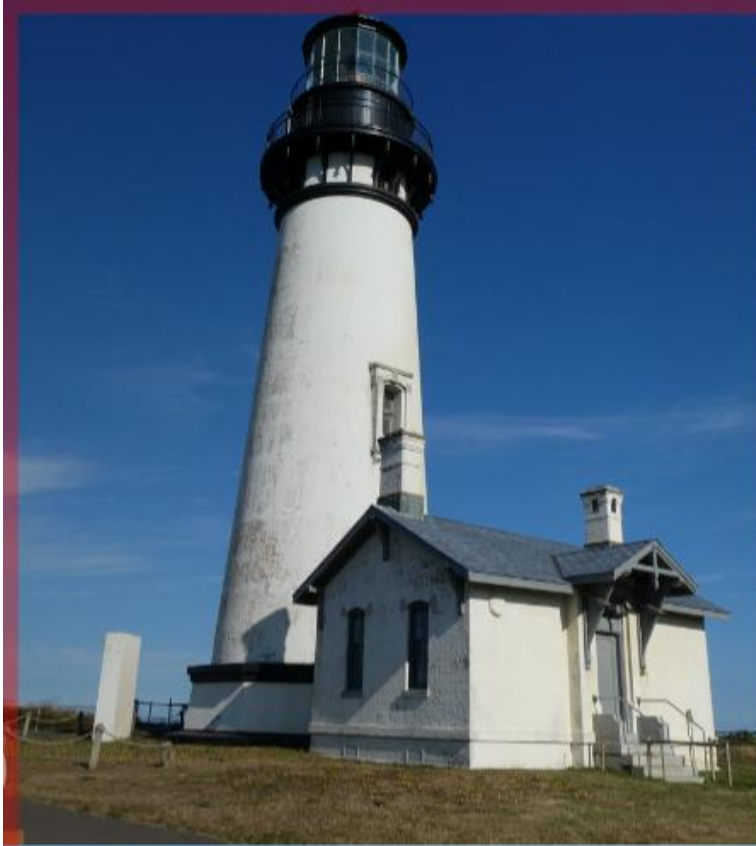




Through Nehalem . . .

. . . and continued Southbound along Route 101





Yaquina Head,
Bald eagles & a Gray whale





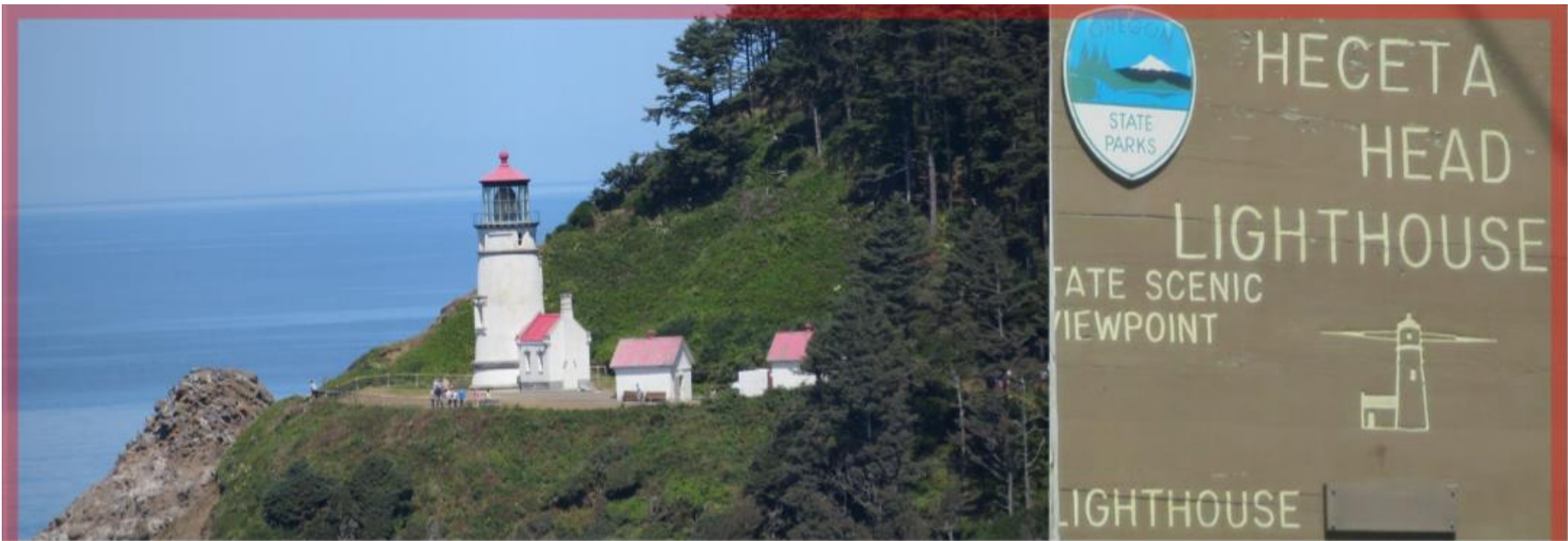
Yaquina Head, Guillemot & Brandt's Cormorant





Views from Route 101, Neptune North, and . . .





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One of the many bridges we crossed along Route 101 Oregon Dunes, Silt Coos





North Bend



McCullough Memorial Bridge, North Bend





Sandy Creek Bridge built 1921



Room 117 at Howard Johnson's, Roseburg



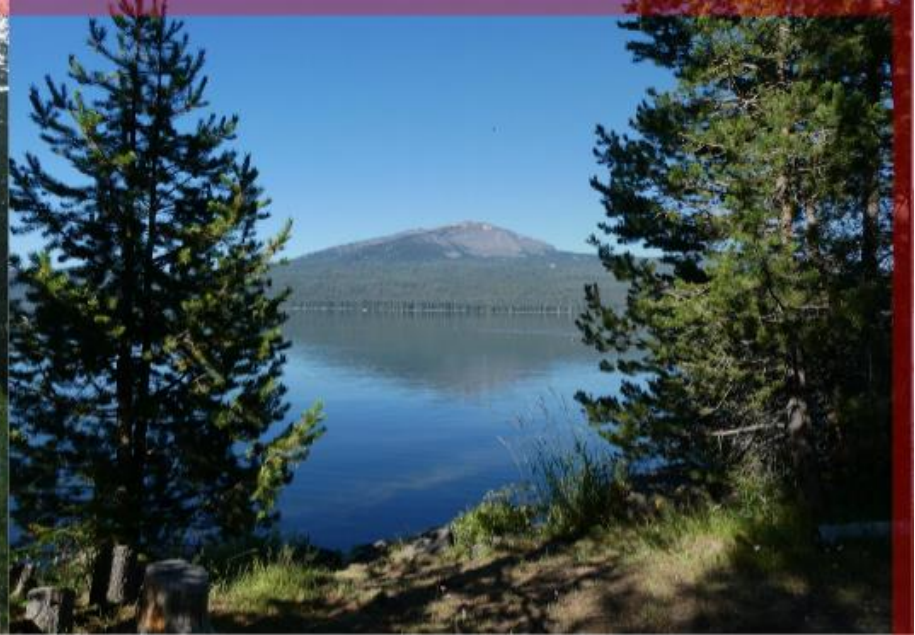
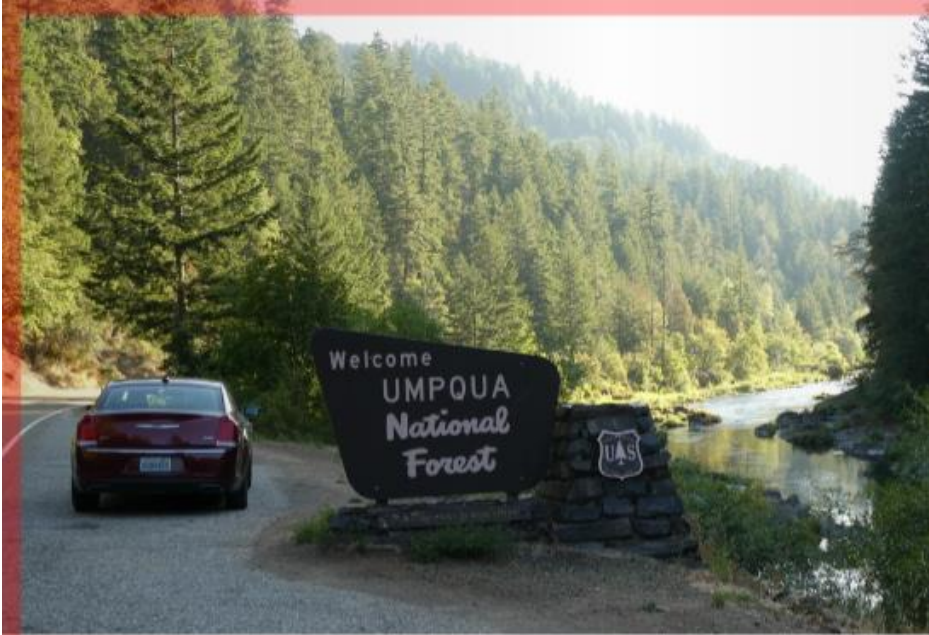


Stewart Park Wildlife Area and Ponds, Roseburg
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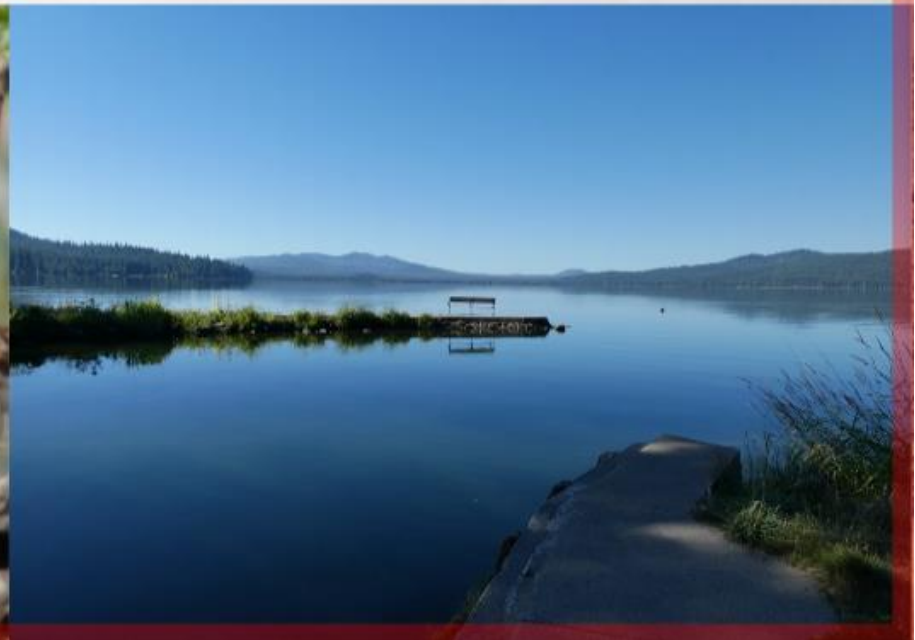
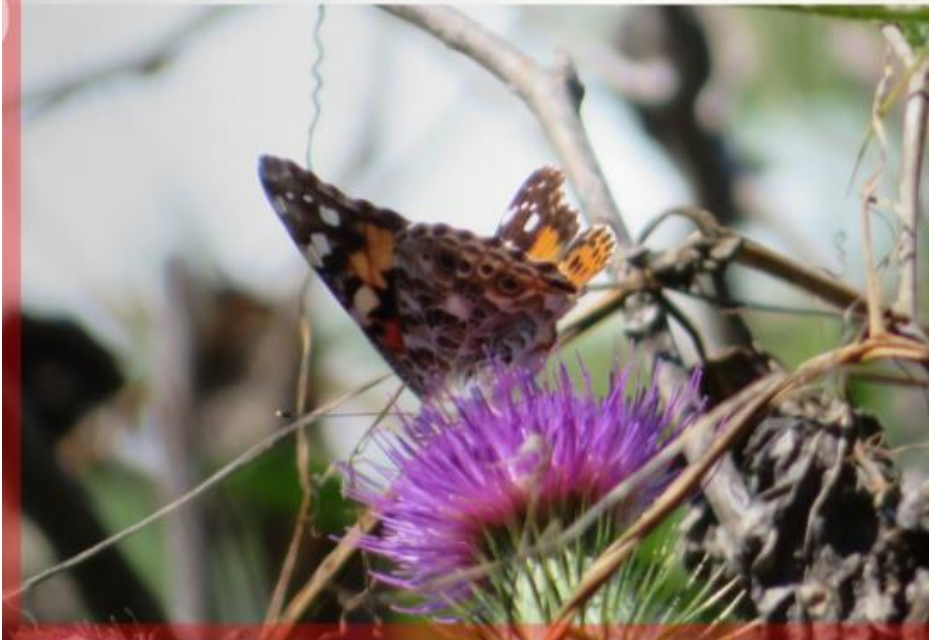


Blue sailors
Common Whitetail dragonfly





Umpqua National Forest & Diamond Lake



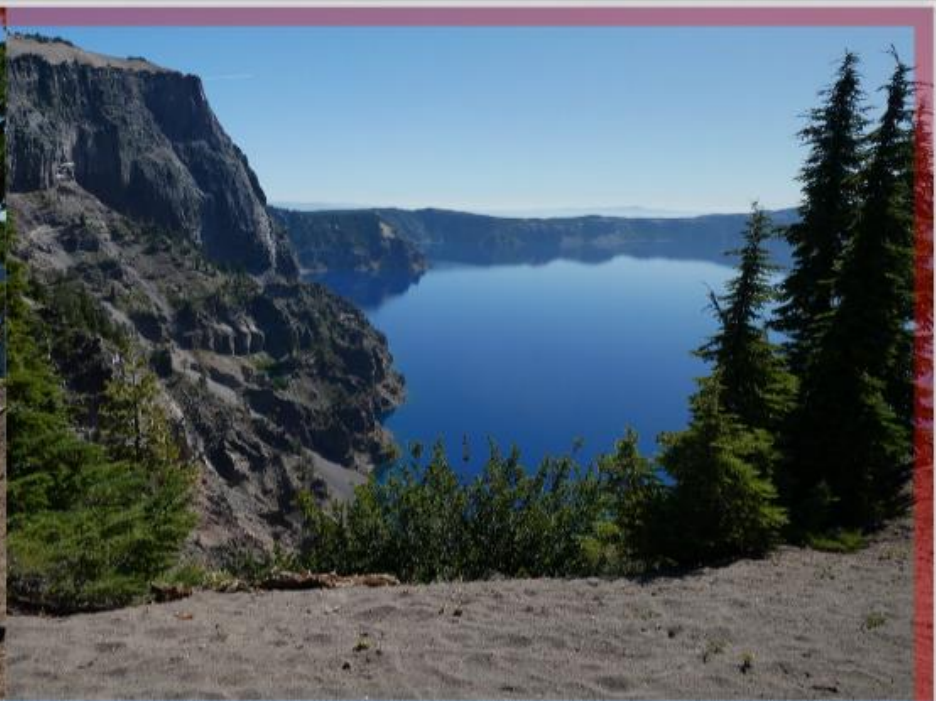
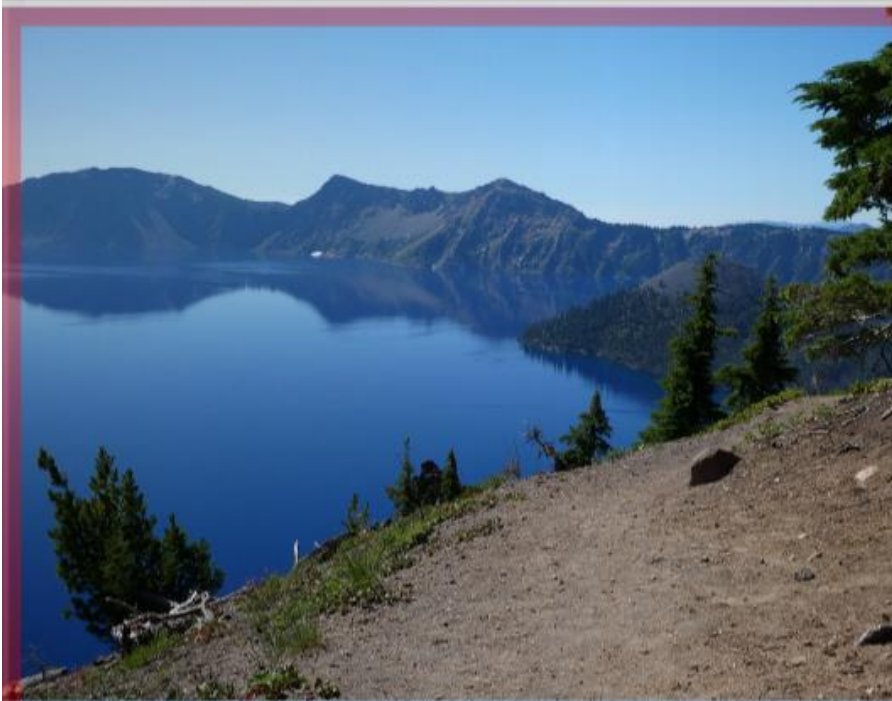


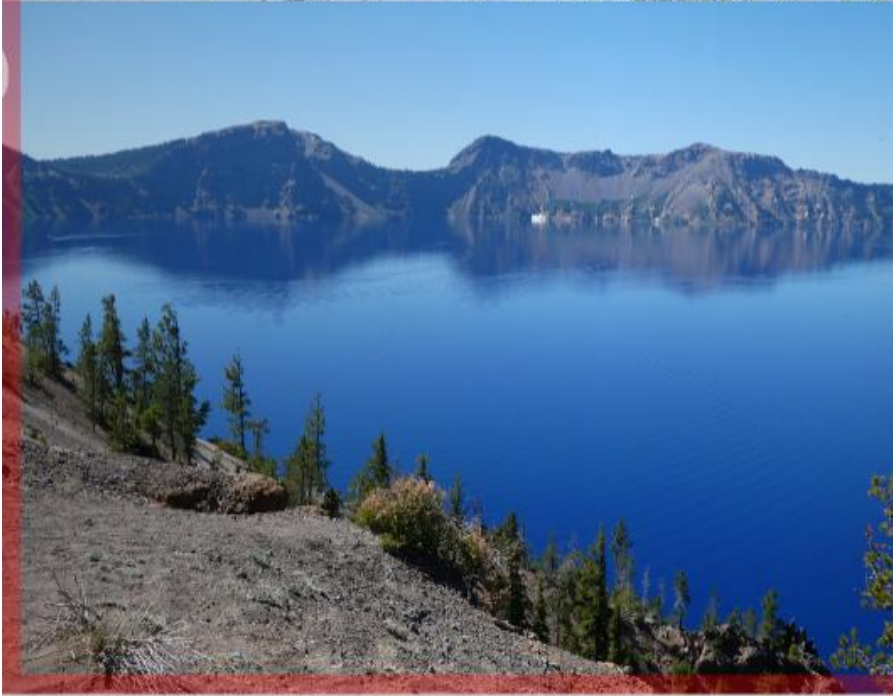
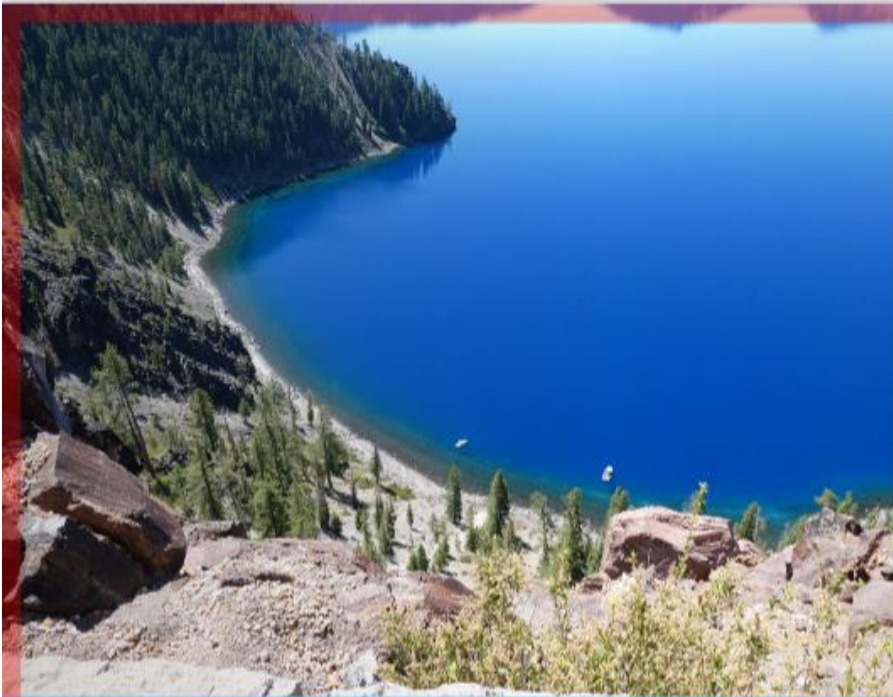
Belding's ground squirrel & Brewer's blackbird, female, Diamond Lake

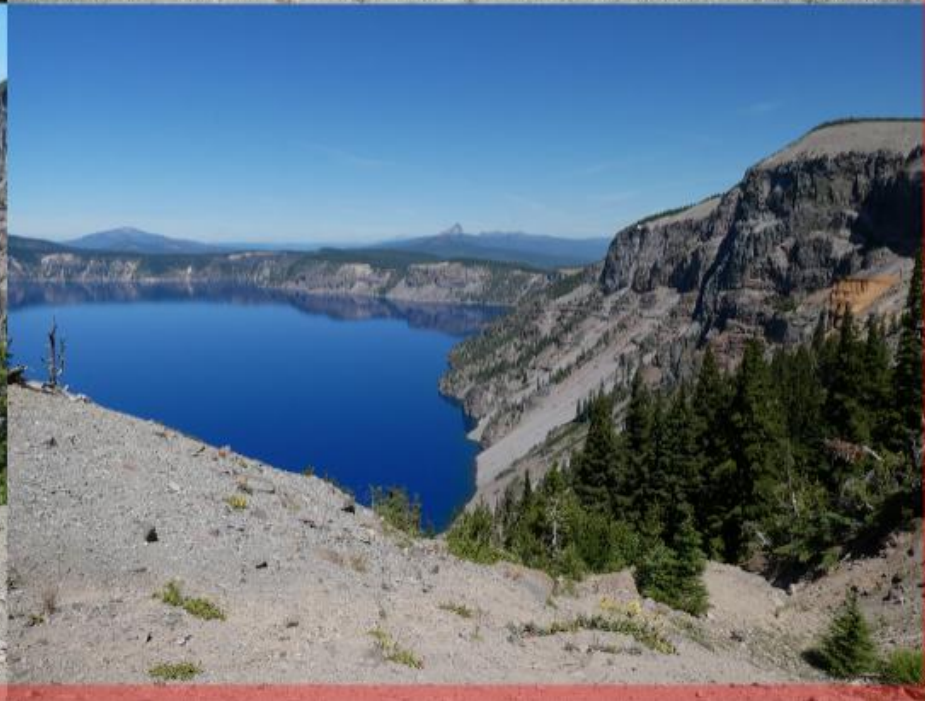
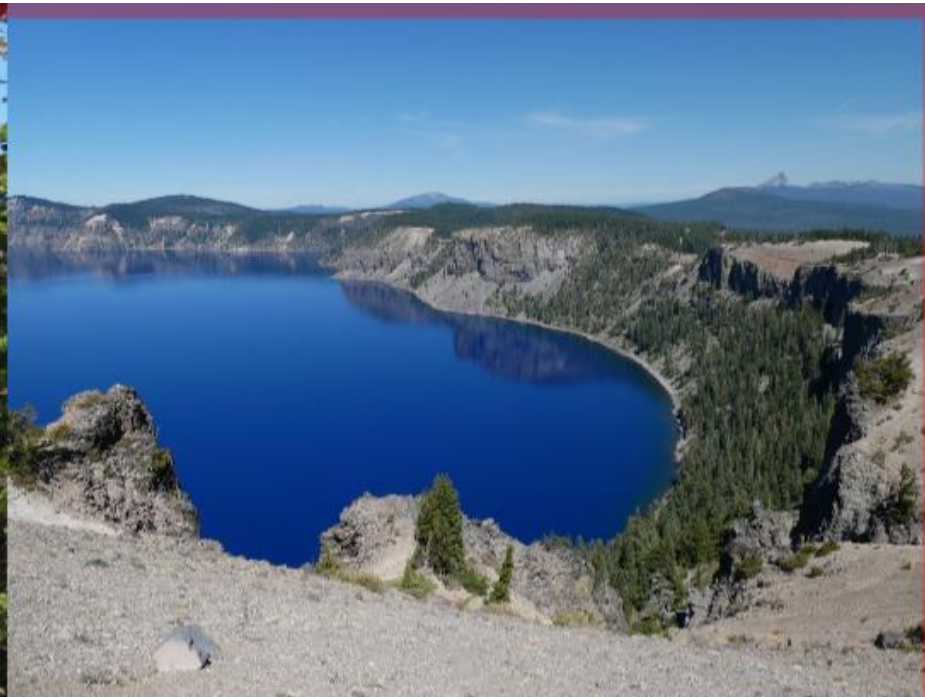
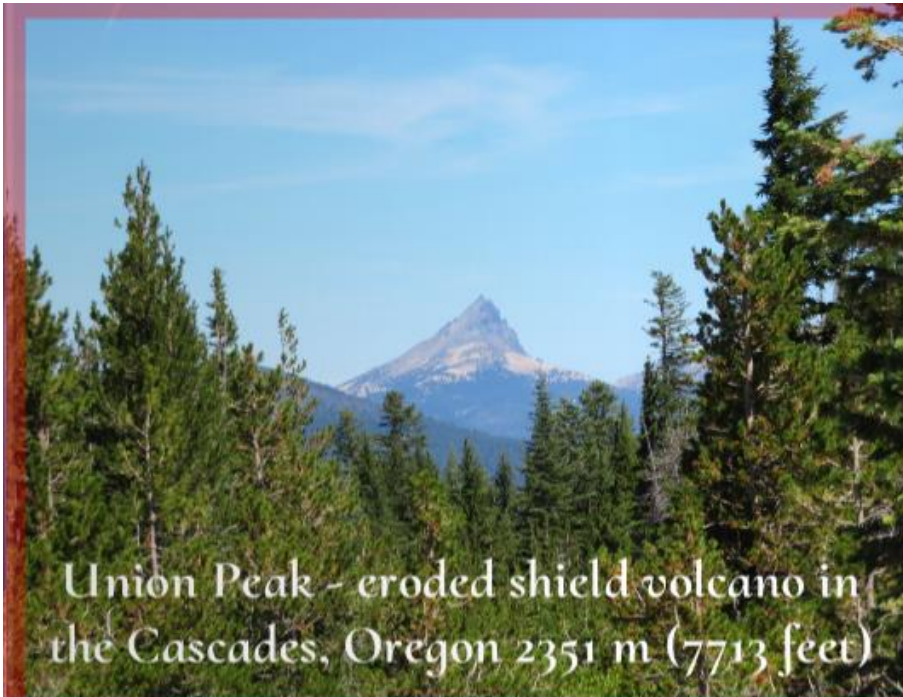


Crater Lake National Park











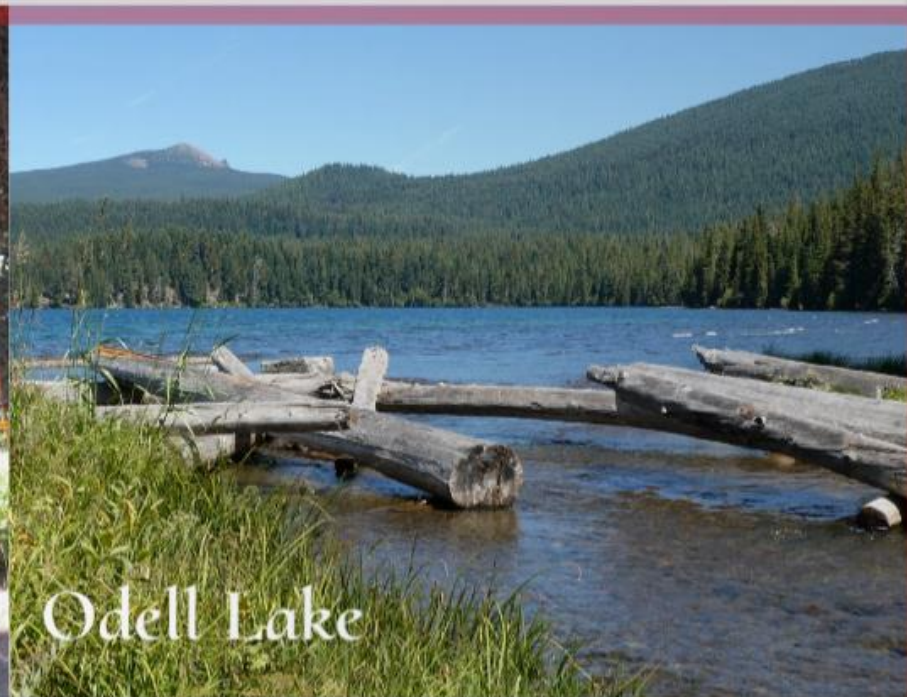
Clark's nutcracker, Steller's Jay, Carolina Locust





Golden Mantel ground squirrel - Crater Lake National Park





Odell Lake



Odell Lake

giant log beside
our rental car



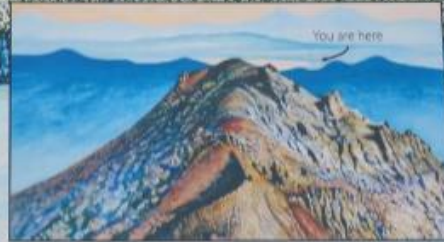
Crystal Lake
Pink-Faced
Jewel Beetle
(*Buprestis lyrata*)

Diamond Peak

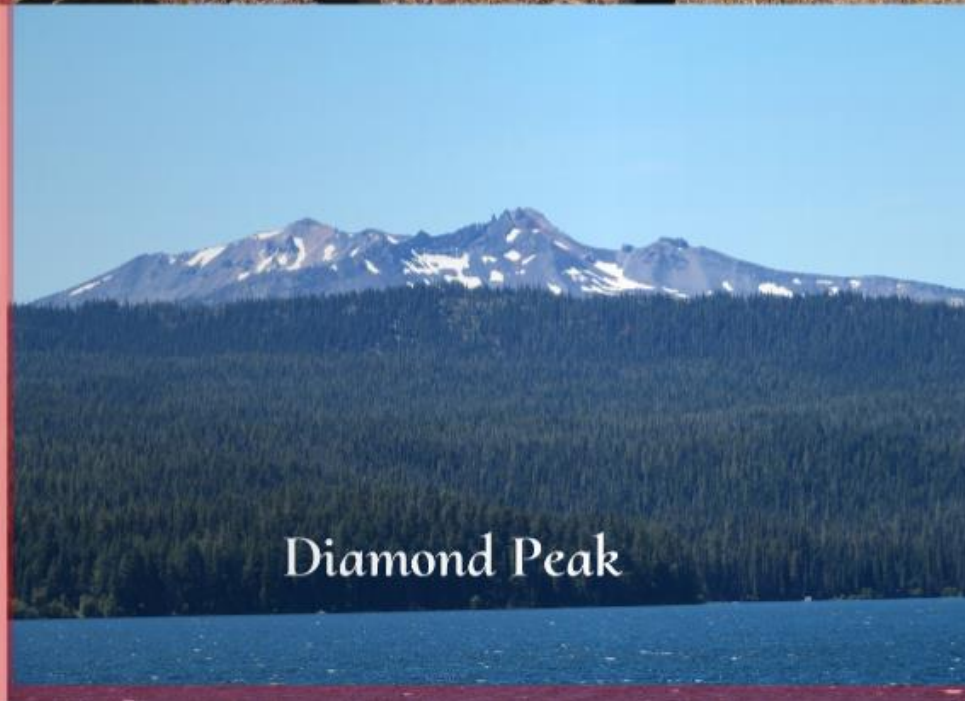


Diamond Peak rests on the crest of the Cascade Range and rises above Odell Lake at an elevation of 8,744 feet. The peak is thought to be a now extinct shield volcano, formed slowly over time from layers of fluid lava flows. The summit has been dramatically carved into multiple cirques from the ebb and flow of thousands of years of glacial action.

Diamond Peak is the centerpiece of the Diamond Peak Wilderness, which is home to dozens of isolated lakes, and is the scenic thoroughfare for the Pacific Crest Trail. The Diamond Peak area offers solitude for hiking and horse packing in the summer, and over 4,000 vertical feet of back country skiing in the winter.



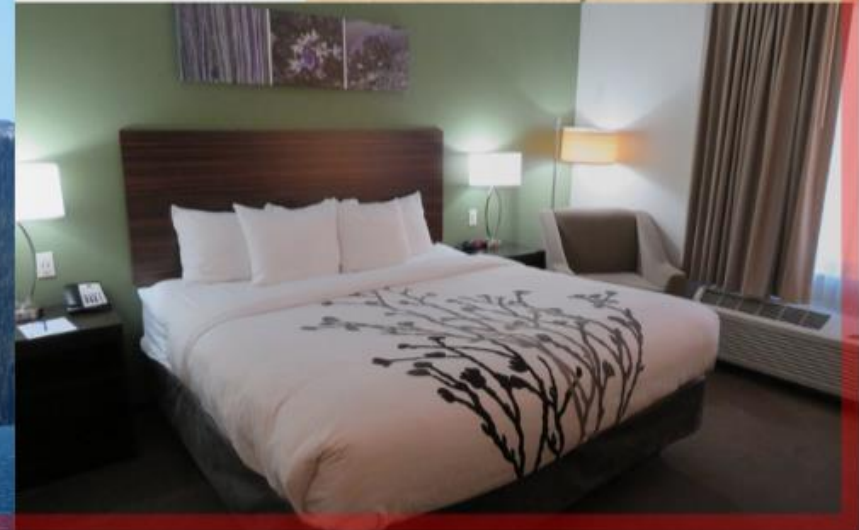
Looking back at Odell Lake from the summit of Diamond Peak.



Diamond Peak

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Room 212
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& Suites,
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William L. Finley National Wildlife Refuge: mourning dove, beetle, blackberries



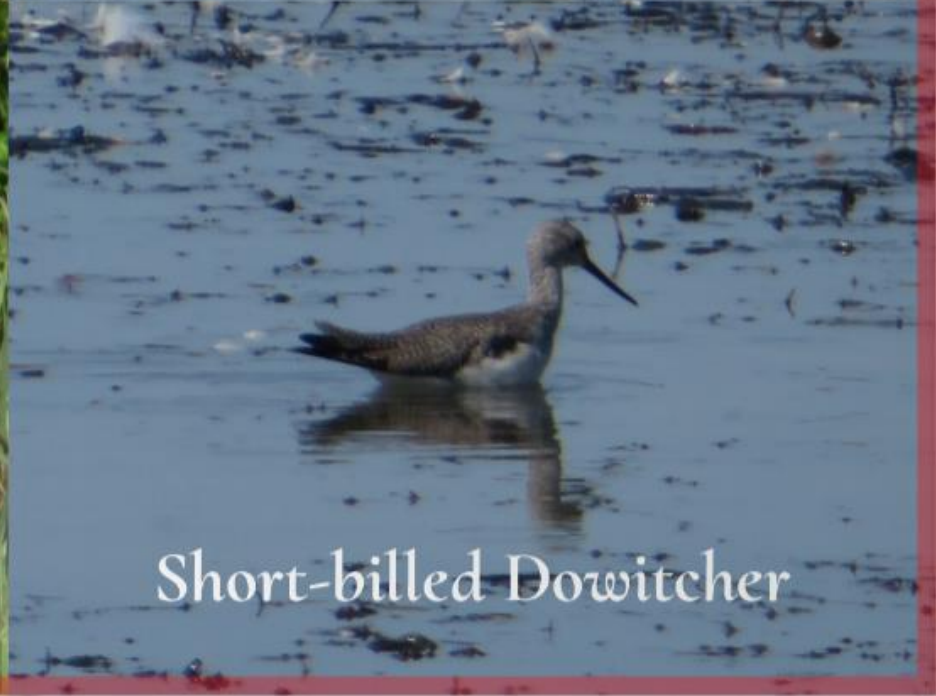


barn swallows, dragonfly, Spotted Towhee





Killdeer Plover



Short-billed Dowitcher



Portland - Oregon's largest city





Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge



Ridgefield Wildlife Nature Refuge, Washington
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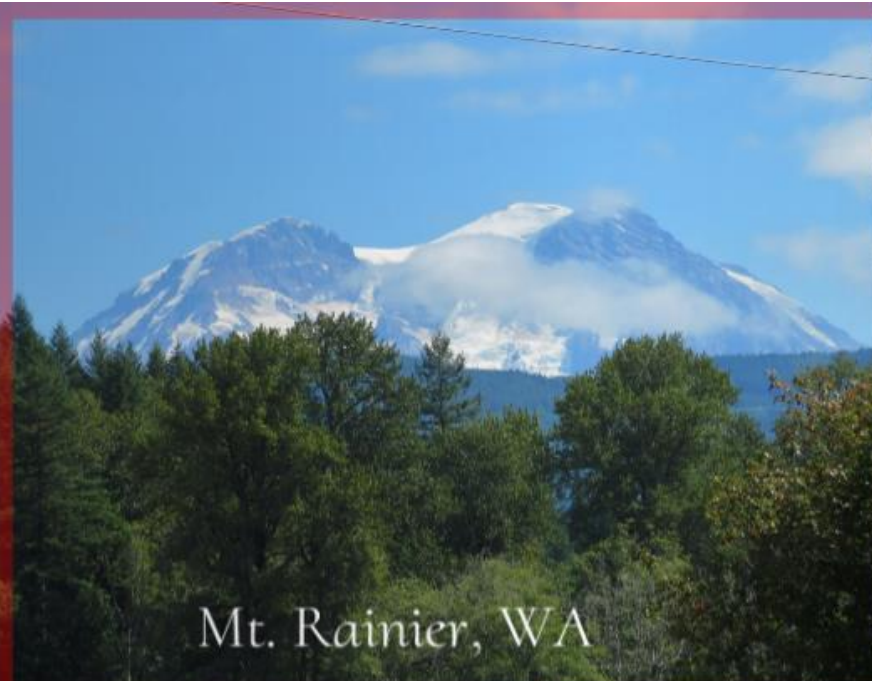




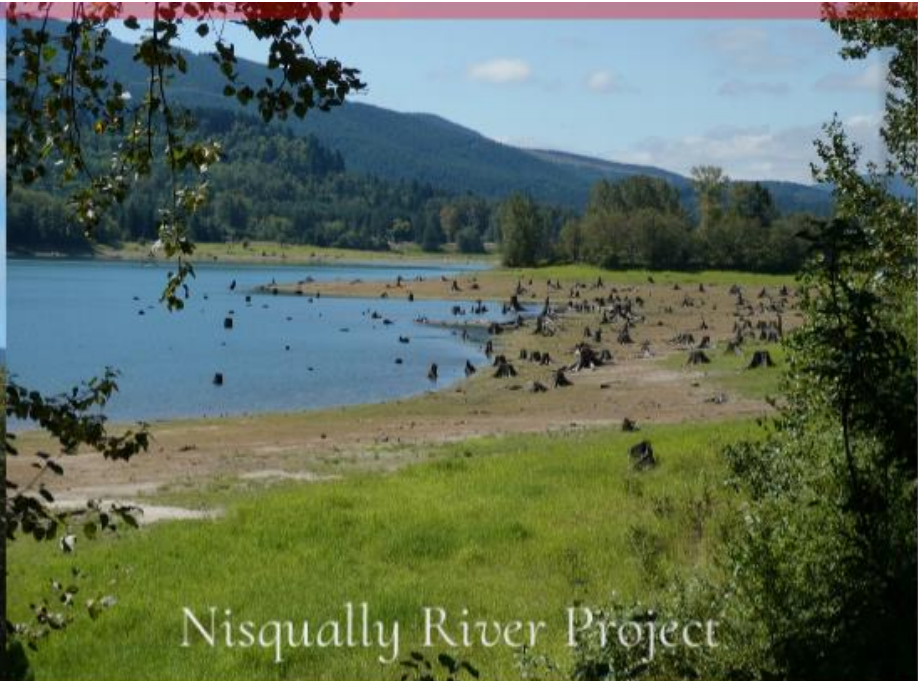
view from Route 12, WA

We spent the last night in Washington state, in suite 306 at Hawthorne Suites, Kent near Seatac airport





Mt. Rainier, WA



Nisqually River Project

MOUNT RAINIER
Altitude 14,410

This monarch of the Cascade Range has been called the Great Pyramid of the United States. No other mountain on the continent exceeds Rainier in bulk of rock masses, number of glaciers (26 active) and extent of base. Nearly all of Mt. Rainier National Park's 337 square miles belong to the mighty mountain. Geologists believe the original peak lost 2,000 feet in a volcanic blast, creating a crater three miles square. Three cinder cones grew together surrounding the crater rim. Columbia Crest the central snowy dome, Point Success to the South and Liberty Cap to the North. The British explorer, Captain George Vancouver, discovered the mountain in 1792 and named it for a fellow naval officer, Peter Regnier, now spelled Rainier.



Nisqually River Project, WA

