

Hitch Tasks for Wilderness Rangers

Pre Hitch:

- ✓ Have what you need: radio & spare battery, cell, paperwork, gear, LNT literature, rehab/garbage supplies, etc. See List.
- ✓ Inspect vehicle
- ✓ Tailgate Safety

During hitch:

- ✓ Check in three times per day (AM, at Noon, and out each day)
- ✓ Safety First (on the road and on the trail)
- ✓ Public contacts re LNT (give out materials)
- ✓ Seek Outfitter Guide contacts/inspections (file report)
- ✓ Law Enforcement contacts as necessary
- ✓ Report abandoned campfires to Central Oregon Dispatch
- ✓ Clean & Shrink fire pits
- ✓ Rehab illegal fire pits
- ✓ Reduce campsite size
- ✓ Remove weeds
- ✓ Report fires
- ✓ Assist with Search & Rescue
- ✓ Assess user created trails and obliterate as appropriate
- ✓ Trail work if time allows (note needs)
- ✓ Incident Reports completed daily for all CFR violations
- ✓ Complete Daily & Encounter Reports, as you go.

ASAP After Hitch:

- ✓ Check out with Dispatch
- ✓ Fuel & Clean Vehicle & Fill In Log (808's are due on the 20th of every month)
- ✓ File Daily Reports & Encounter Logs
- ✓ File Incident Reports
- ✓ File Outfitter Inspection Forms
- ✓ File Citations (write statements)
- ✓ File Wilderness Permits
- ✓ File Tailgate Safety form
- ✓ Charge Batteries
- ✓ Replenish Permits and other items in "vehicle box"
- ✓ Download & Share Photos
- ✓ Share trail conditions with all front desks & trail crew
- ✓ File Timesheet
- ✓ File Travel Voucher
- ✓ File Vehicle Inspection
- ✓ If time, sharpen tools, prep for next hitch, straighten cache, wilderness reading..