

## **Hell's Backbone Off-Road Tour**

### **Wednesday July 18th – Leaves campground at 10:00am**

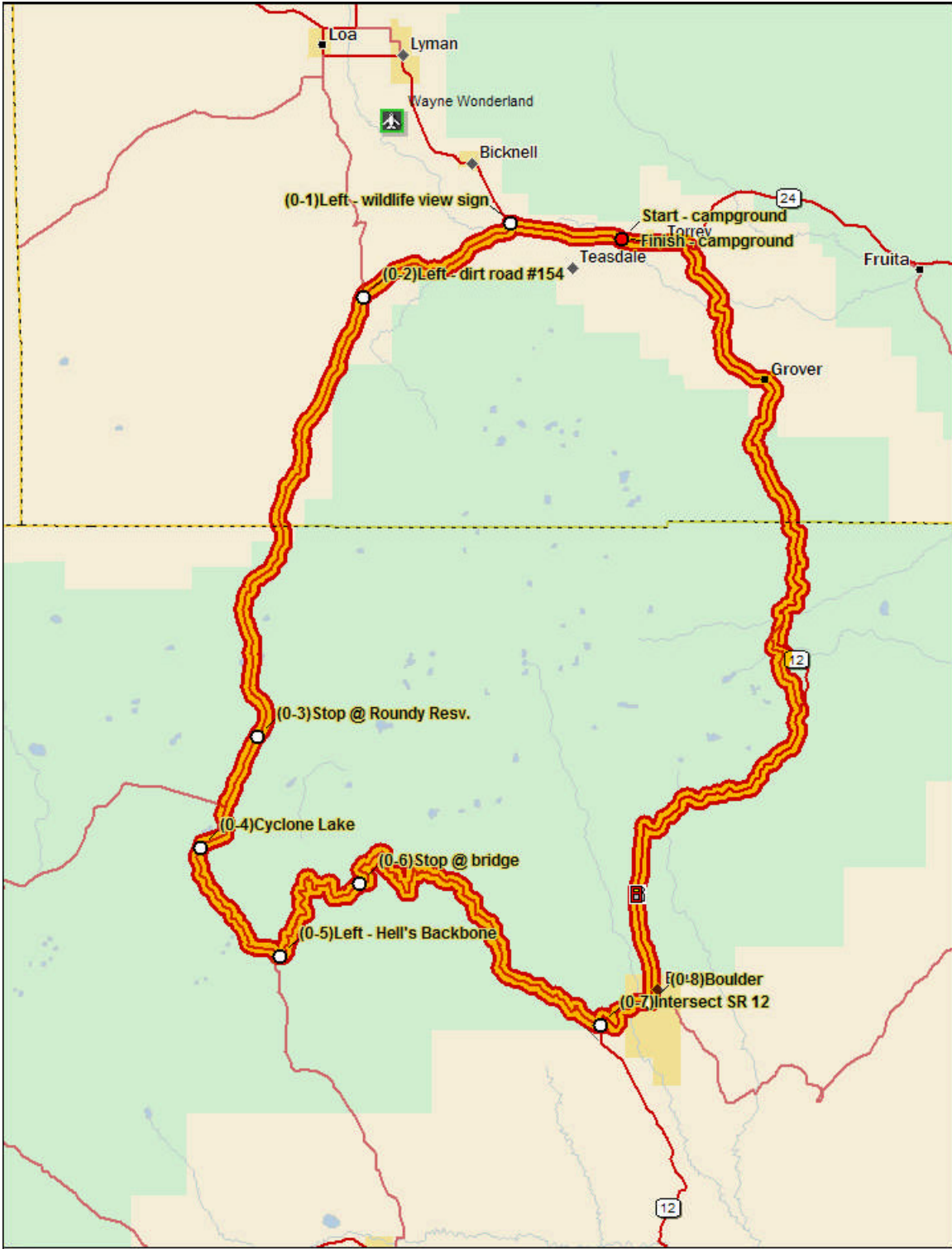
This tour includes some of the most spectacular views of Utah backcountry, from water fowl marshes to open high plains, along the Aquarius Plateau. The road twists through beautiful spruce forests and past small lakes. There are antelope, deer, cattle and small animals along the way. We go around Box Death Wilderness that features some really rugged areas, with sheer drop-off on both sides of the road for about a mile. The narrow bridge on Hell's Backbone was built in 1935 to complete the first road to Boulder.

### **Ride Instructions:**

Riders meeting at 9:30. Sign-up ends at this time.

It is 65 miles to Boulder, 55 of which is unpaved. The paved road back is 33 miles.

1. From the campground, head west on SR 24.
2. Turn left at mile 3.5 on to paved road at the wild life viewing sign.
3. Proceed 3.5 miles up paved road to Boulder Top – Escalante sign, where dirt road starts (Posy Lake Road #154).
4. At mile 22.8 stop for a short rest at Roundy Reservoir.
5. Pass Cyclone Lake at mile 28. Nice area but keep going.
6. Junction to Hell's Backbone – stay left on road #153.
7. Stop at Hell's Backbone Bridge at mile 43.7.
8. Intersect SR 12 at mile 57. Turn left and go 3 more miles to Boulder. Gas and food. Tour ends here.
9. It is 33 miles along SR 12 back to the campground in Torrey.



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