

FROM: EAST GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, MONTANA,

TO: ALASKA

AND,

RETURN TO: BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

#### Summary

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS

CANADA – FROM ST MARY, MONTANA TO TOK, ALASKA

- East Glacier National Park to Dawson Creek (Mile 0, Alaska Highway)
  - 720.8 miles, 2-Lane & 4-Lane, Mostly very good road surface and shoulders [We drove the Cowboy Trail from Cochrane, AB, to Whitecourt, AB, bypassing Edmonton, AB]
  - ALASKA HIGHWAY Dawson Creek, BC, to Tok, AK
    - 1,262.3 miles, 2-Lane, Mostly good road surface to Whitehorse, YT
    - Few Frost Heaves approaching Whitehorse, YT
    - Increasing frequency of Frost Heaves leaving Whitehorse, YT
    - Near Kluane Lake (Destruction Bay) to the Alaska Border, Frost Heaves and Construction are nearly continuous – Recommend 15-20 mph speed to arrive without damage to your coach



#### Summary

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS (Continued)

ALASKA – TOK, ANCHORAGE, SEWARD, FAIRBANKS, & CHICKEN

- 1,262.3 miles, 2-Lane & 4-Lane, Mostly good roadway surface, very narrow shoulders in places
- A lot of construction zones Several have pilot cars with wait-times up to 30 minutes [Especially near Denali National Park and between Denali and Fairbanks].

#### Summary

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS (Continued)

CANADA – FROM CHICKEN, ALASKA TO BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

- Alaska Highway and Cassier Highway
  - 1,085.3 miles, 2-Lane, Frequent Frost Heaves and very narrow shoulders on Cassier Highway, Road Construction (Usually about 35 mph or slower)
    - Also, Frost Heaves and Construction on Alaska Highway to Cassier Highway (See Previous Summary Slide)
- Yellowhead Highway and Cariboo Highway
  - 909.8 miles, 2-Lane to 6-Lane (near Vancouver, BC), Good to Very Good road surface and, mostly, wide shoulders
- TOTALS: 5,787.2 miles
  - 5,240.5 miles, highway; plus 546.7 miles, miscellaneous mond & Janet Church (G8r.Ray) & (jags1fan)

#### Summary

- CAMPGROUNDS
  - CANADA FROM ST MARY, MONTANA TO TOK, ALASKA
    - 6 Campgrounds, 20 Nights, \$736.61 CAD (~\$677.68 USD)
  - ALASKA TOK, ANCHORAGE, SEWARD, FAIRBANKS, & CHICKEN
    - 5 Campgrounds, 50 Nights, \$2,289.25 USD
    - CANADA FROM CHICKEN, ALASKA TO BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON
      - 6 Campgrounds, 8 Nights, \$275.06 CAD (~\$253.06 USD)
  - TOTALS
    - 17 Campgrounds, 78 Nights, ~\$3,219.99 USD

#### Summary

FUEL COSTS

#### **CANADA**

1,490.941 Liters, \$2,207.24 CAD: \$1.48/L
 (393.865 Gal, ~\$2,030.66 USD: ~\$5.156/Gal)

#### **ALASKA**

- 233.583 Gal, \$979.93 USD: \$4.195/Gal
- TOTALS
  - 627.448 Gal, ~\$3,010.59 USD, ~\$4.798/Gal

#### Summary

#### NOVELTIES AND UNEXPECTED EXPERIENCES

24-hours/day of daylight...daily! Although the sun does rise and set, it is only below the horizon for a few hours (about 4 ½ hours) and, in cities, the street lights don't even turn ON.

- Minimum amount of vehicle traffic. Except for the cities and towns, the highways, usually, had few vehicles per hour to no vehicles per hour.
- The number of wild animals (moose, deer, bear, etc.) roaming free everywhere...even in cities.
- Almost without exception, diesel fueling is in gas stations, not truck stops.
- The magnitude, beauty and splendor of God's scenic wonders and creation.
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St. Mary, Montana, to Cochrane, Alberta

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS – 205.9 miles

US Route 89 – Montana to the Canadian Border (~20 miles)

- Good roadway surface and shoulders
- Highway speeds
- **Border Crossing** 
  - Agents are very courteous
  - Cost to transport one shotgun through the country is \$25 CAD; permit is valid for 60 days
  - Delay: ~20 minutes
- AB Route 2 Canadian Border to Cochrane, Alberta (~186 miles)
  - Very good roadway surface and shoulders
  - Highway speeds
  - In Calgary, Alberta, relatively heavy traffic...Calgary is a typical big city

St. Mary, MT, to Cochrane, AB

CAMPGROUND

Bow RiversEdge Campground

Stay: 12 Nights

Cost: \$428.40 CAD (~\$394.13 USD)

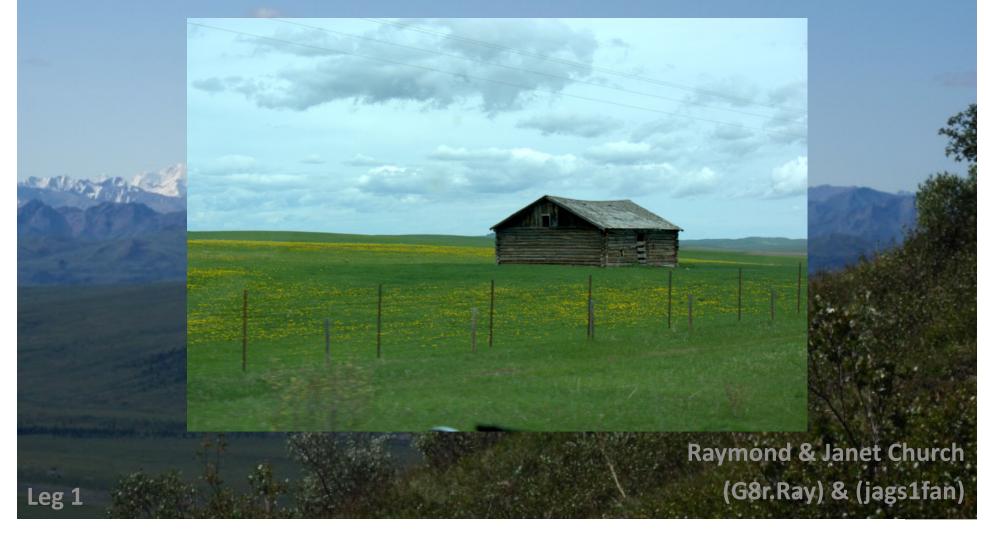
Site: Pull through, level; but tight maneuvering

Full Hook Up (FHU): 50A/30A, water, sewer (all good)

Free WiFi

St. Mary, MT, to Cochrane, AB

PHOTO ADVENTURE



St. Mary, MT, to Cochrane, AB



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Leg 1

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Cochrane, AB, to Whitecourt, AB

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS – 253.3 miles

AB Route 22 – Cowboy Trail & AB Route 43

- Good roadway surface and shoulders
- Highway speeds
- A few small towns along the route

#### CAMPGROUND

- Sagitawah Campground
  - Stay: 1 Night
  - Cost: \$35.70 CAD (~\$32.84 USD)
  - Site: Pull through, level
  - Full Hook Up (FHU): 30A, water, sewer (water okay)
  - Sewer Connection: Additional \$4.00 CAD

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Leg 2

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#### Whitecourt, AB, to Dawson Creek, British Columbia

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS – 261.6 miles

AB Route 43 & BC Route 97

- Good roadway surface and shoulders
- Highway speeds
- Several small towns along the route

#### CAMPGROUND

- Northern Lights Campground
  - Stay: 2 Nights
  - Cost: \$90.00 CAD (~\$82.80 USD)
  - Site: Pull through, level
  - Full Hook Up (FHU): 50A/30A, water, sewer (water okay)
  - Free WiFi
  - Pilot fuel station within 2 miles of campground; accepts major credit cards at pump single tank at a time for fueling
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Whitecourt, AB, to Dawson Creek, BC

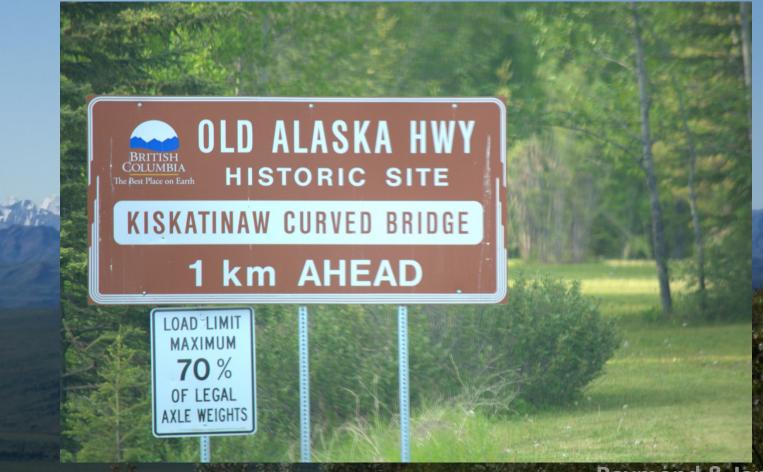
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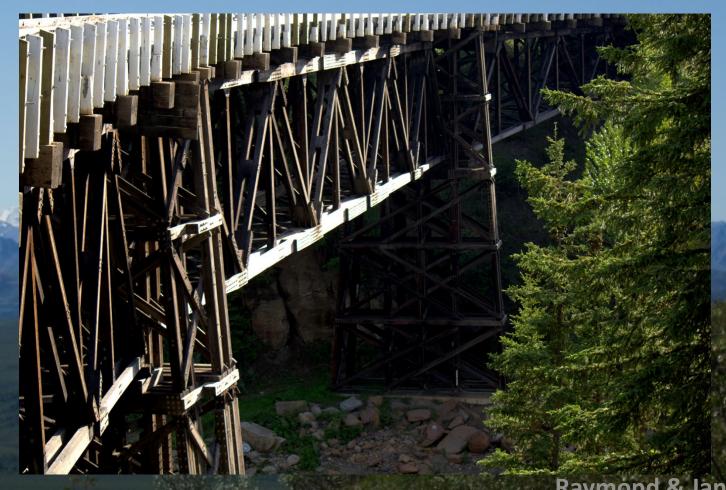
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#### Dawson Creek, BC, to Ft Nelson, BC

- ROADWAY & CONDITIONS 281.7 miles
  - BC Route 97 & YT Route 1 Alaska Highway
    - Good roadway surface and shoulders
    - Highway speeds
    - Several small towns along the route
    - Two, long 10% downhill grades with left-hand turns mid-way down

#### CAMPGROUND

- Triple G Hideaway Campground
  - Stay: 1 Night
  - Cost: \$40.95 CAD (~\$37.67 USD)
  - Site: Pull through, level
  - Full Hook Up (FHU): 30A, water, sewer
  - Free WiFi, but only available in the office.

Ft Nelson, BC, to Nugget City, Yukon Territory

ROADWAY & CONDITIONS – 332.0 miles

CA Route 97 – Alaska Highway

- Good roadway surface and shoulders
- Highway speeds BUT WATCH FOR ANIMALS on roadway
- Few small towns along the route

#### **CAMPGROUND**

- Baby Nugget Campground
  - Stay: 1 Night
  - Cost: \$48.00 CAD (~\$44.16 USD)
  - Site: Pull through, level
  - Full Hook Up (FHU): 50A/30A, water, NO SEWER (water fair)
  - WiFi available in the office

Ft Nelson, BC, to Nugget City, YT

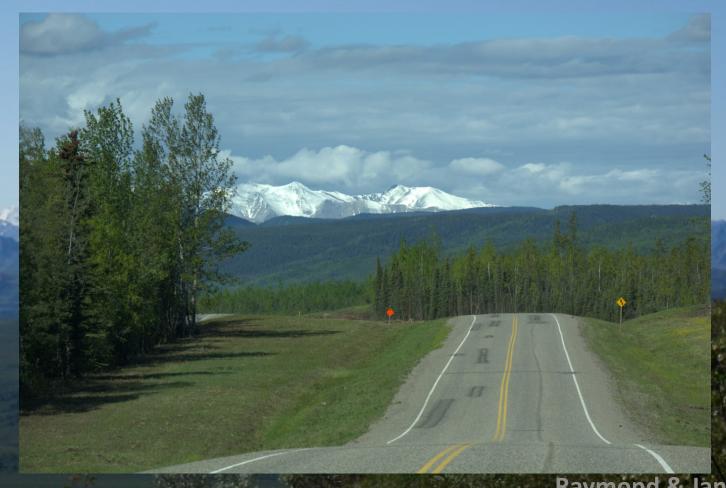
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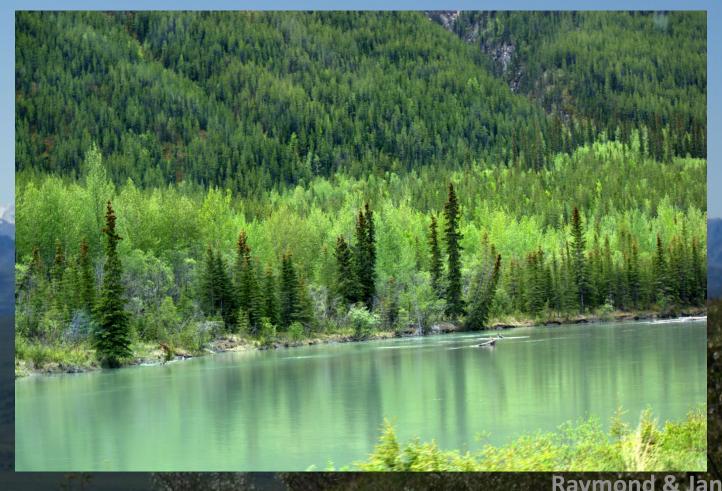
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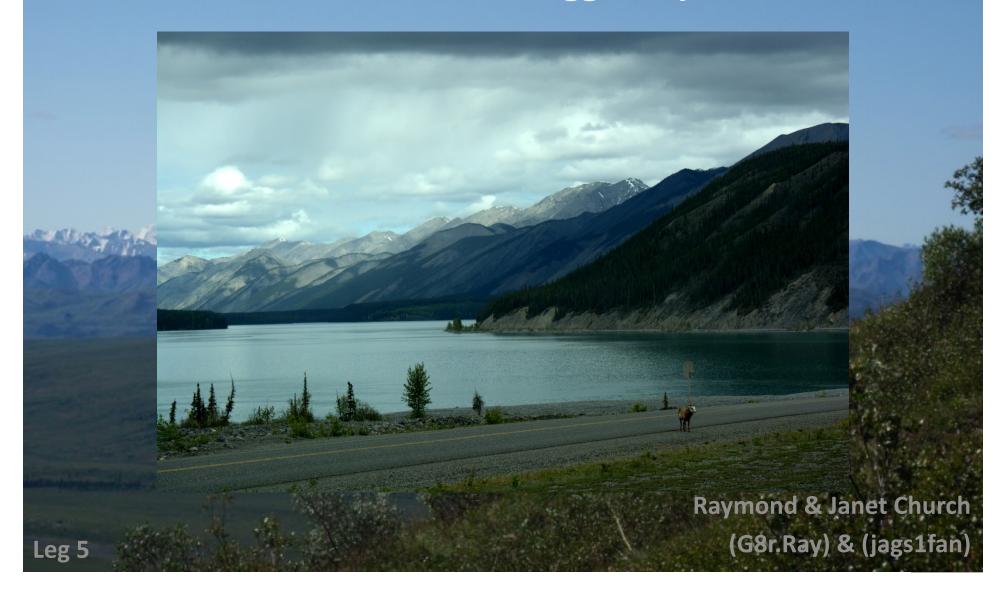
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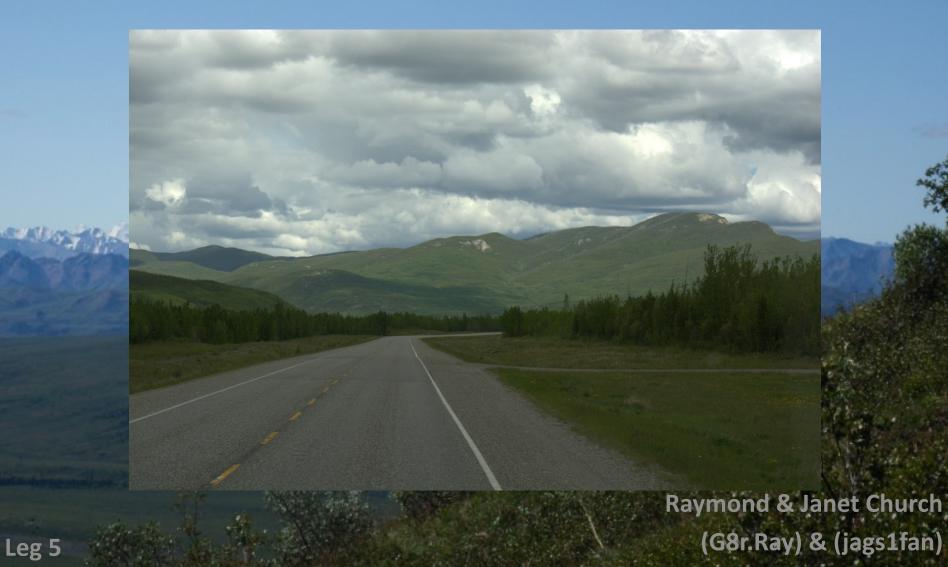
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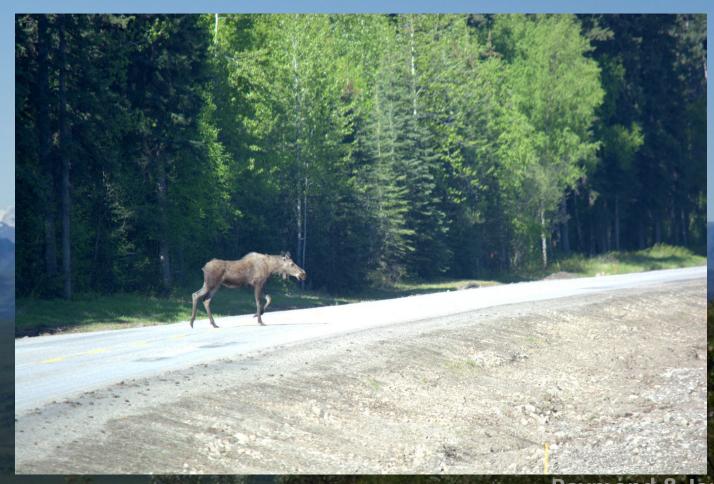
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