

## APR 30 - DESTINATION OR DIRECTION?

After four delightful days in and around Brookings, OR (and a new awning to boot!), it is time to move on. We're going to miss the coast, but other sights are out there to see.

We were advised of numerous washouts on Hwy 101 south, causing single lane bypasses, as well as a major slide on Hwy 299 to Redding, CA. We thought about taking the "easy" way - inland to Grants Pass on Hwy 199, but the thought of driving I5 south (again) did not excite either of us.

We headed south from Brookings to Eureka, following Hwy 101. A few miles north of Eureka, Hwy 299 headed east towards Redding. We weren't necessarily trying to get to Redding today, Redding was more the direction, not the destination.

We passed a few campgrounds along the way on Hwy 299, only one of which was open. We decided to continue on; it was still reasonably early in our travel day.

We climbed 2 passes over 2,000' in elevation. Attaboy Alfie!



We finally arrived at the latest slide - quite the site - but as it is Sunday, the delay was minimal. I imagine it might be a different story tomorrow.



We decided to continue on through Weaverville - a pretty town - and keep our eyes open for a suitable resting place for the night.



Finally we saw a sign for an County Park and RV parking. It was just a parking lot, by a marina, but we thought... what the hay. We're tired. Then it dawned on us - we have no way of keeping the groceries we just bought cold! Okay let's go get some ice and we'll use the cooler.

By the time we found a store, we were just inside Redding city limits! %\*\$^(!! "Let's find an RV park", and we did, just a few miles north of Redding off I5. Shady old oak trees are sure nice on a hot (30C) day like today.

We're going to exploring tomorrow.



An old 2-6-2T tank engine on the park grounds that the staff are wanting to restore.