Directions for Kamiak Butte/Moscow Mountain Penstemon Foray

A. Pullman to Kamiak Butte

1. Meet on Wilson Road (off NE Stadium Way, across from WSU Martin Stadium) for carpooling
2. Turn right onto Stadium Way, continue past WSU campus downhill to junction with Grand (Hwy 27).
3. At traffic light, turn right onto 27, proceed north going straight thru the traffic light at Terre View Dr, and straight thru the round-about (traffic circle) at Pullman/Albion Road.
4. After about 9.5-10 miles, look for the sign to Kamiak Butte County Park. Turn left onto Fugate Road. Continue on Fugate Road (bearing left) at junction with Clear Creek Road in about 0.3 miles. At about 1 mile, turn left from Fugate Road onto Kamiak Butte Park Road (there will be a big sign for the park). Follow this road to the top of the hill and a large parking area.
5. Proceed up the main trail to summit. The trail is moderately steep with 4 switchbacks. We will take a leisurely pace to watch many flowers on the way. There is a great view from the summit, and yellow-flowered *Penstemon attenuatus*.

B. Kamiak Butte to Idler's Rest Nature Preserve, Moscow Mountain

6. Leave Kamiak parking lot, head downhill, back to Fugate Road. Turn right onto Fugate, continue to junction with Hwy 27.
7. Turn right (south) on Hwy 27 about 4 miles to junction with Estes Road. Turn left onto Estes Road. Continue on Estes Road, bearing right at the junction with Fallon Road in a quarter mile. Continue eastbound on Estes Road about 6.5 miles to the junction with US Hwy 95, across the Idaho border.
8. Turn right onto Hwy 95 heading south about 0.75 miles to junction with Foothill Road (first road on the left). Turn left onto Foothill Road.
9. Continue on Foothill Road about 0.5 miles to junction with Polk Street. Turn left onto Polk and continue until junction with Mountain View Road. In about 0.5 miles there is a T intersection with Mountain View and Idlers Rest Road – go straight thru the T onto Idlers Rest and continue northward to the Idler's Rest Nature Preserve Parking area (about 2 miles). The parking area is small, so some may have to park on the road, being sure to leave space for passing traffic (Idlers is a dead end street, but has homes along it).
10. Follow the Penstemon Trail up Moscow Mountain to find *Penstemon wilcoxii* and many wildflowers. Maybe *P. globosus* or *P. attenuatus* will also be present.

C. Idler's Rest back to Pullman

11. From parking lot, head south on Idler's Rest Road to T with Mountain View Road (going straight, not left onto Mtn View – though this will take you back to historic Moscow), to Polk Street (left turn), right onto Foothill Road, to Hwy 95.
12. Turn left onto Hwy 95, head south to Moscow. In Moscow, Hwy 95 splits into two one-way streets. Follow the signs to the junction with Hwy 8
13. At junction, turn right (westbound) onto Hwy 8. Continue on Hwy 8 thru west Moscow, cross the state line, head to Pullman. Look for NE Stadium Way (right turn before traffic light) to return to WSU campus.