



SUV Maupin Loop Drive

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When I first sat down to write this, I thought of a recipe: Take four Cayennes, add two Macans, three experienced clubbers, one sort-of new and two brand-new first drive club members, and blend for our July 26th run over the Maupin Loop.

But then I thought, there would be just too many ingredients! Temperatures ranging from 57 at the start to 91 at the river for lunch; spectacular views with every turn; mountains, canyons, rivers, waterfalls, wide open spaces, and the required twists and turns for a fun PCA drive. This one had them all! And let's not forget a little bit of

history thrown in.

Before this drive I listened to club members talk negatively about this drive because of the seven miles of unpaved road. Worried about rock chips or window chips, or otherwise damaging their cars. Of course everyone is entitled to believe what they wish, and treat their car as they wish, but I am here to tell you that Jeff Gasparitsch does a great job of mitigating this.

I can say without hesitation that this was one of the best drives I have been on in my time with ORPCA. Kudos to Jeff for leading a great drive! See you all out there. ■



