



OVERLAND EXPO PNW 2026

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- 8:30 – 8:45 Introductions**
Who are we? Who are you? And why are you here?
- 8:45 – 9:00 Program Outline**
We'll share additional details about what the day will look like and answer any program-related questions you may have.
- 9:00 – 9:45 Knowing Your Vehicle**
It is very important that you understand the shape and size of your vehicle and how it fits in the environment. Knowing your vehicle can increase mechanical sympathy, reduce the likelihood of vehicle damage and ensure you are kinder to the environment (which is key to keeping trails open!). Knowing the buttons, the features, the technology, the mechanics of your vehicle is important. This session dives into these topics to help you enjoy your vehicle to the max.
- 9:45 – 10:15 How to Make Yourself One with Your Vehicle**
Having the ability to control your vehicle safely is imperative. Knowing how to place yourself in the driver's seat and knowing how to set it up for efficient and safe off-road driving is critical. Seating positions, mirrors, pedals and knowing where your tires are, the corners of your vehicle and its blind spots all help you drive your vehicle safely off road.

At this point, we will take a 15-minute break and the group will split up based off who will drive on the Overland Expo Driving Course, first. NOTE: the course offerings are exactly the same for each group, so no one will miss anything. See below for course descriptions.

Time	Group 1	Group 2
10:30 – 12:30	Overland Expo Driving Course	How Stuck Am I & Recovery Techniques
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch with Top Chef Alum Chef Chad White <i>During lunch, the instructors will be on hand to answer your questions be it about the day, but more importantly, any questions you want to ask that may not be covered in a scheduled course.</i>	
1:30 – 3:30	How Stuck Am I & Recovery Techniques	Overland Expo Driving Course
3:30 – 4:30	Tire Repair or Kinetic Energy Recovery	Safe Winch Use
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Overland Expo Driving Course

Your opportunity to spend time with the instructors driving the off-road course under expert guidance and tuition. Learning how to maximize traction, when to use your vehicles systems and how to apply the fundamentals of good off road driving techniques.

Open discussion

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How Stuck am I & Recovery Techniques

Understanding the forces and loads involved in recovering a vehicle, recovering yourself or moving objects of the trail is an important skill. We help you learn how to make simple calculations so you can choose the correct equipment and make good choices.

We look at the workflow of a safe recovery and then some recovery techniques / setups to help you effect safe recoveries.

Tire Repair or Kinetic Energy Recovery

A choice between two classes where we look at safe tire repair and jacking up of your vehicle using simple and safe tools and a look at how to use kinetic energy recovery ropes safely.

Safe Winch Use

A hands-on look at how to safely operate a vehicle mounted winch, and the associated safety and rigging equipment.

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