

Sometimes my photos suck – too much distracting shit in the background, a strip mall or a bunch of cars – so I use this blur to bring the stuff I'm interested in to the fore. If the images look like miniature toy-train layouts? Seems perfect for a tiny issue of BODYSLAM. —MC

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6.1 SKATEPARK
DREAMLAND



BATTLE GROUND, WA



NEWBERG, OR



HAILEY, ID





KUNA, ID

A small town outside Boise, Idaho has a rad little Dreamland snake-run park. You tear down the thing carve through the snake's head bowl and work your way back up where you can spine or flyout transfer back to the top. I really don't have much use for a snake run any more. I skated plenty of them in the old days and a couple of the newer ones. That's the kind of think you build when you

equate skateboarding with bobsledding or motocross. Kuna does it right though – turns at speed combined with vert-style transitions. Working back upstream you have a spine or flyout option to get back to the top. What more could you want from a snake run? Totally worth a stop on the way to Hailey or points east.

WEST LINN, OR

This park was Built by Grindline. I heard some of the Dreamland guys felt like Grindline snuck in an built an Oregon park under the radar and there was some bad feeling about that. They're all building stuff together these days. And Dreamland has done several projects in Washington Best thing about the

park is all the pool coping. The neighbors hate the park. It's in the middle of a big housing development. One time they called the cops on *some adults who were cursing and making a lot of noise*. I think they were hearing us encouraging our friend Chuck. The cops came and watched for a while and found peaceful adults enjoying some skateboarding.



PIER PARK, PORTLAND, OR

After years of delays, the city agreed to let Skaters for Portland Skateparks and Dreamland rebuild the skatepark in St. Johns. The big bowl/pipe complex is scary and amazing. A 20-foot diameter full-pipe

with a side roll-in through a four-foot wide mouse hole is flanked by 9.5 and 11.5 foot deep bowls with tile and pool coping. The park also features two smaller bowls and a banked street area. The skatepark re-opened Oct. 14, 2006.





DONALD, OR

When Dreamland built the left kidney, the population of Donald was 450. How did such a small town get such a rad park?

Some people find the bowl hard to skate but if you can get over the steps you're all set. The bowl gets repainted every so often. These days it's done in the colors of a John Deere tractor. There have been recent additions to the park by a concrete

contractor with no skatepark experience. The resulting lump of shit doesn't mess up anything that was already there and adds a couple of lines that would have dumped you in the gravel in the past but it's rough and bumpy and the character of the park has changed. The Donald skatepark has lost some dignity.



LINCOLN CITY, OR

Home of Dreamland skateparks and a super-cool town council that has seen two expansions to the original Dreamland park. The long promised connection between LC1 and LC2 is supposed to happen later this year. The locals are as rad as anyone

you'll ever skate with. Definitely "Sons of Red." It's like Burnside with a sea breeze. There can be a "locals only" vibe sometimes but if you are getting intimidated, there's plenty to skate. Move your session to the Cradle section or give the stairs a try in the Amoeba pool replica.

AUMSVILLE, OR

An early Dreamland park and one of their best. Used to be open 24 hours and has lights. I Three of us on a road a few years ago pulled into Aumsville at midnight and found a dozen people skating under the lights. We sessioned until about four in the morning and then pulled our cars way

to the back of the park and slept. We saw a police officer in the morning who told us there was no camping but that he had decided to let us sleep. More recent visitors to the Oregon Trifecta found the the law much less accommodating and park hours have been shortened but it's still one of the best skateparks around.

