

## ***Full-Traction Suspension Run at the 44<sup>th</sup> Moab Easter Jeep Safari!***



Full-Traction Suspension provides a variety of suspension packages and other steel components for the Jeep community. Aside from its full line of quality engineered, American-built chassis lift packages, the company has recently added Hanson bumpers and steel products to the line-up.

Full-Traction Suspension's focus is innovative products and a fully satisfied customer base. This annual Full-Traction Suspension and Hanson products day run at Moab attracts a growing list of loyal customers and enthusiastic FTS retailers.

The morning run at Area BFE featured mostly TJ and JK Wranglers with a few XJ Cherokees and extreme buggies in the mix. The afternoon JK Wrangler group, led by ProjectJK.com, brought JKs out in numbers.

I spent the day discussing product and photographing trail rigs in action. To sum it up, Full-Traction Suspension knows how to equip a TJ, JK or XJ! Here's a recap of that day on the trail...





**Moab is for early risers. Others miss the spectacular sunrises like this one at the start of the Area BFE run. The La Sal Mountains rise to 12,721 feet and provide a prominent backdrop to the slickrock and canyons.**



**Morning lineup! This year's FTS run drew many TJs and scores of newer JK Wranglers. Here, guests get ready for a day on the rocks, testing equipment and driving skills.**



**Mike Partridge heads up Advance Adapters and was a guest on this run. Mike likes to observe A/A products in action. He is readily accessible to enthusiasts and customers. The Atlas II transfer case has been very popular with this group!**



**Full-Traction Suspension's own fleet of TJ and JK Wranglers were out in force! This TJ has a full complement of FTS suspension, steel products by Hanson and a substantial amount of safety equipment. The custom built roll cage (center) did not need testing in a hard day of wheeling. Warn's winch was impressive and ready for duty. At bottom is an easily accessible trio of shifters: two for the Advance Adapters' Atlas II transfer case plus the factory console shifter for the automatic transmission. Retrofit axles with lockers add to the off-road crawling success. Well-equipped for Moab, a great rig overall!**





**Full-Traction Suspension's XJ Cherokee two-door targets an increasingly popular off-road market. Retrofit axles with lockers, big tires, a six-inch FTS long-arm suspension lift, Hanson steel products and a Warn winch have created a formidable trail runner. Used XJs can provide an affordable starting point.**



**Two Full-Traction Suspension rigs on the trail! Each readily handles the rocks. The four-door JK model (top) has become popular. They require the kind of lifts that FTS offers, as 37"-40" tires are now common on these 116" wheelbase JKs.**



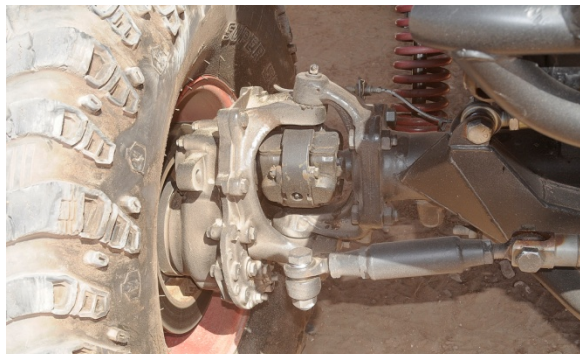
**This ZJ Grand Cherokee has been modified extensively for serious off-pavement use. A trail runner and on-highway cruiser, this is the quintessential multi-purpose machine, boasting a V-8 engine and the kind of axles, transfer case and gearing typically found on radically modified, trail-prepped Wranglers.**



**The JK Wrangler group ran in the afternoon and included the folks from ProjectJK.com. These late Jeep models have proven their mettle on the most rugged trails. Aftermarket equipment abounds, as shown with this heavily modified and lifted JK. Many owners, even those with well-equipped Rubicon packages, opt for even heavier components.**







**A growing interest in reduction and dropped front axles, mostly from military surplus sources, has created the ultimate rock-crawling setup. Primary advantage is ground clearance at the differential housing.**



**Superior Axle & Gear supplies quality ring-and-pinion sets and exceptionally strong, well-engineered axle shafts. Superior Axle's own Wrangler plies the rocks on the FTS run.**



**On the Full-Traction Suspension run and many others at Moab, the XJ Cherokee shows up in all forms and configurations. This model held its own with vehicles ten times as costly, proving the point that more money does not always equal more traction. Driving skill is still 80% of the equation.**



**This Wrangler drove all the way from Texas, a 16-hour highway stint, with a group of friends. Most vehicles on this run were fully suited for highway and off-pavement use.**



**At left is a common under-side view at Moab! When married couples ride, each drives these days...Here, the missus is driving as the husband looks on from the sideline.**



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