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Obama's bus tour named 'America Under the Bus Tour' by Fox viewer

President Obama is embarking on a taxpayer funded bus-tour, that just so happens to bring him to the swing states to talk to folks about growing the economy and creating jobs.

This bus tour, which is planned for August 15 -17, will bring Obama through the Midwest states. These states are identified as the "swing states," the states that Obama must win if he is to be re-elected next year. While the exact stops have not been released, the general area has been identified.

The White House is not releasing the exact locations of the tour for security reasons, and as Fox News anchors Clayton Morris, Juliet Huddy and Dave Briggs also suggested, Obama wouldn't want opponents on billboards around the area of his designated stops.

"Fox and Friends Weekend" asked viewers to email them with names for the President's bus tour. Since the taxpayers are footing the bill, the anchors believe the public should take a stab at naming the tour. The majority of the responses were either comical or condemning. Suggestions such as "America Under the Bus Tour," "The Economic Distress Express," and "Blame the Bus Tour" summed up the thoughts of the viewers.

Chris Wallace on "Fox and Friends Weekend" points out that Obama's bus tour will give him a platform for "letting people know he is feeling their pain." Is this really what the American people are looking for? The nation is looking to the president to fix these problems rather than talking about the same things again.

White House Press Secretary Jay Carney says that the president will start the tour by talking about jobs and the economy. "He is very happily getting out into the country again after a very sustained period here in Washington and he looks forward to talking to folks about growing the economy and creating jobs," Carney said, according to the [Intellectual Conservative](#).

The bus tour's destination to the battleground states was defended by Carney. "The idea that the president of the United States should not venture forth into the country is ridiculous," Carney said, according to the Intellectual Conservative.

[CNSNews.com](#) asked this question to Carney, "Is that a campaign [event](#) or a presidential event?"

Carney's answer was short, but to the point, "Negative. That is an official event."

CNSNews.com asked for a bit more detail with this question, "So it is being funded by taxpayers in battleground states?"

Carney's response was again short and to the point, "He's the president of the United States."

The theme of Obama's bus tour is, "Putting Americans back to work," in an attempt to jump-start the economy, but somehow this seems old, with nothing new added to make this attempt any different today than it has been in the past. The job creation and "jump-starting" the economy have been targets of this administration even before they moved into the White House. This was a theme on their last campaign trail. At this point, it seems like a broken record with nothing being done to fix it.

While the bus tour is a nice gesture to get out and meet the people of the heartland, it is still not clear what this will accomplish, other than maybe some time for campaigning. After Friday's S&P lowering the nation's credit rating, the president will need to do some substantial damage control. While the fingers are pointing at Congress, and even at the S&P when trying to hang the blame on someone, it did happen under Obama's watch.

"In the coming months I'll continue also to fight for what the American people care most about, new jobs, higher wages and faster economic growth," Obama said. This is a message he will carry with him on the bus and to the backyards of the people in the Midwest, but this saturated verbal goal needs action. [Chris Edwards](#), an economist with the CATO Institute says "Government can't create jobs in a micromanagement sort of sense." It will take more than Obama alone to start new job creation.

As far as the reasons behind the bus tour, RNC Chairman Reince Priebus called it a campaign [move](#) rather than a work-related bus tour, even before the official word came down from the White House about the tour.

"Everything the president does right now is all political," Priebus said. "He just so happens to do, be doing a bus tour throughout the Midwest which is going to be a battleground area in the election coming up in 2012. President Obama has a nose for being involved in the campaign, but not a nose for resolving our fiscal problems in this country," according to the Intellectual Conservative.