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Chant Title and Author: I'm a Frontier Wagon Train By Laura Curry and family

I'm a frontier wagon train  
Rumbling across the plain.  
I only go 10 miles a day,  
To reach the coast is a long, long way.

Chorus: I'm a train-bump, bump  
          I'm a train-bump, bump  
          I'm a covered wagon train-bump, bump

They filled me with supplies they need  
For work to do and mouths to feed.  
Flour and salt and guns and tools,  
Some precious books 'cause there are no schools.

Chorus

In front the oxen trudge along,  
Two to a yoke with legs so strong.  
People walk along the side,  
Only the old and the sick may ride.

Chorus

The plains are dusty, dry and bleak.  
Floating on rivers makes me leak.  
Many mountains must be crossed  
Before it snows or we'll be lost.

Chorus

At night I form into a ring,  
The campfires cook and the people sing.  
Circled wagons help protect  
Against the dangers we expect.

Chorus

When we finally reach this long trail's end  
Each pioneer will call me "friend".  
From Missouri to the great Northwest  
We pulled our weight, now we get to rest.

Additional instructions/melody/tempo etc.: