

# New High Gear Ride In Progress



High Gear Hot Rods has a new ride in progress in their Central Arkansas shop that promises to put a few new twists on the retro theme. The project is a 1968 Chevrolet pickup, code-named "Retroactive." High Gear has partnered with top companies, aiming to assemble one of the year's best trucks. Eventually Retroactive will be covered in a subtle green paint from Dupont Hot Hues. But first, the builders at High Gear will restore the body to pristine condition using replacement panels from Goodmark industries. They're making many subtle changes to the body while still keeping the great lines that this body style is known for. Retroactive will roll on large diameter Sugar City wheels from Colorado Custom wrapped in BF Goodrich KDW/TA-2 tires. Those rollers will be controlled by an Air Ride Technologies Big Red system with Wilwood large-diameter, four-wheel discs. The power train will be a new GM Performance Parts LS-2 housing a lumpy Comp Cams bump stick, ARP bolts, Kinsler fuel injection, and it will be all managed by a F.A.S.T. XFI computer and harness. That '60s muscle car sound will come from a complete HPC-coated Flowmaster U Build It kit and dual 50-series stainless mufflers. A Hurst shifted, TCI-prepped 4L60E transmission and stall converter will transfer the power via an Inland Empire Driveline driveshaft to a Classic

Performance Parts suspended 12-bolt rear end that houses an Auburn Gear pro-series limited slip differential to make sure both of the rear BFGs get equally punished.

Inside, the Chevy will be cool and quiet with Soff Seal weather-stripping, Dynamat sound deadening insulation and a Vintage Air Genll air conditioning system. Specialty Power Windows window and wiper systems will be used with a Ron Francis express wiring harness and Powermaster alternator and starter. We'll keep you updated with info on this hot new project as it nears completion. Once it's completed, expect to see Retroactive at many of the major shows.

