## **Breitenbush Retreat Directions & Map**

**Do NOT use Mapquest, Google Maps or GPS directions!** They will not direct you all the way to the retreat center. You may get lost in a dangerous area without cell phone service. It's OK to use GPS to get as far as Detroit, Oregon, if you are coming from the direction of Salem (not if you are coming via Estacada).

Check current road conditions online before you set out in case your route is affected by construction, potential wildfires or other factors.

## Main route from Western Washington, Oregon and California:

- 1. Take I-5 to Salem.
- 2. Take exit 253, and head east toward Detroit Lake and Bend on Hwy 22.
- 3. In Detroit, after crossing the Detroit bridge, turn left onto Forest Service Road 46 (FS46), and head north.
- 4. Drive about 9.1 miles on FS46. Just past Cleator Bend Campground, take a right onto the single-lane Cleator Bend Bridge.
- 5. The road is gravel after the bridge and has three forks in its 1.5 miles. Take a left at every fork to reach the parking lot. There will be signs to guide you.
- 6. If you need gas, there is a gas station in Detroit with a self-service option. Prior to Detroit, the last best place to get gas is Mill City on Hwy 22 about 20 miles before Detroit. (There is a gas station further along in Gates, but we're told the hours are unreliable.)

The "back way"/alternate driving route (via Estacada) was closed for nearly three years due to wildfire damage. This route (Hwy 224 and 46) re-opened June 27, 2023, for the summer. If you plan to go this way, confirm current road conditions/closings in advance, and note there are no services and no cell phone service between Estacada and Detroit.

## Alternate route (the "back way") from Washington:

- 1. Take I-5 toward Portland.
- 2. Before you reach the Washington/Oregon border, take exit 7, and head south on I-205.
- 3. After entering Oregon, take exit 12A toward Damascus, via east SR-212 & SR-224, and follow signs to Estacada. Stay in the right lane.
- 4. In about 3 miles, when SR-212 and SR-224 separate, take east SR-224 to Carver/Estacada, and head to Estacada. (If you need gas, fill up in Estacada. There are no services and no cell phone reception between Estacada and Detroit.)
- 5. Continue on SR-224 for about 59 miles, following signs toward Detroit. (SR-224 is also known as Forest Service Road #26 and #46.)
- 6. Pass the sign for Breitenbush Campground, and continue for about 0.7 miles.
- 7. Coming up quickly around a turn, take a sharp left onto the Cleator Bend Bridge.
- 8. The road is gravel after the bridge and has three forks in its 1.5 miles. Take a left at every fork to reach the parking lot. There will be signs to guide you.

