



Salmon Watch 2017 Directions to Field Trip Sites

SALMON RIVER #2: From Portland take Highway 26 east through Sandy. Proceed on Hwy 26 through Welches. About one mile past the stop light in Welches, turn right onto Salmon River Road, just past the “Zig Zag” sign (there is a Subway restaurant on the corner; there are also signs pointing to “Green Canyon Campground” and “Welches Grade School”.) Proceed approximately five miles on Salmon River Road. Just past the Green Canyons Campground, you’ll come to a bridge. Park on the left side of the road, in the turnout immediately before the bridge. The trail-head sign reads “Old Salmon River Trail #742”. The trail extends uphill on the upstream side of the bridge.

Please allow approximately 1.5 hours driving time from downtown Portland.

ZIG ZAG RIVER: From Portland take Highway 26 east through Sandy. Proceed on Hwy 26 through Welches. Go past the Zig Zag Ranger District (on your right). Continue on Hwy. 26 until you come to the Skyway Bar & Grill Restaurant on your left (address: 71545 E. Highway 26, Rhododendron, OR). Turn left onto the road immediately before the restaurant (as you are heading east). At the “T” in the road, turn right so you are proceeding on the road behind the restaurant. At the metal barricade, park. The class will either meet at the end of the road beyond the barricade, or there is a wood gate that leads to a path into the woods down to the river.

Please allow approximately 1.5 hours driving time from downtown Portland.

EAGLE FERN PARK: From Portland, take I-205 South to Estacada/Mt. Hood exit #12 and merge right onto Highway 212/224. Proceed 3.2 miles through Clackamas to the Rock Creek junction, where 212/224 splits. Keep right and follow Hwy 224 south towards Eagle Creek. At the junction of Hwy 211 stay straight on Hwy 224, following the highway and signs for Estacada. Continue approximately 10 miles and turn left onto Wildcat Mountain Road (sign reads Dover District/Eagle Fern Park). Follow Wildcat Mountain Road for just under 2.5 miles. The entrance for Eagle Fern Park is on the right just after passing the junction for Kitzmiller Road.

Please allow 1 hour driving time from downtown Portland.

LITTLE WHITE SALMON RIVER: From Hood River, cross the Hood River Bridge into Washington state (note: there is a \$1.00 toll each direction). Turn left and head west on Hwy 14. Continue approximately 7.4 miles to Drano Lake on your right. Drive past the lake. Turn right immediately after the end of the lake, follow the road to the Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery along the river and park.

Please allow 30 minutes driving time from Hood River.





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CEDAR CREEK:

From Portland, take Hwy 26 west, following signs to Tillamook. Exit onto Hwy 6 and continue for approximately 29 miles. Turn right onto Jones Creek Road toward Jones Creek Campground and Smith Homestead. Smith Homestead will be immediately on your right and has picnic shelters and restroom facilities. This is a good place to meet up with volunteers and have students use the restroom. From there, continue on Jones Creek Road past Jones Creek Campground on the left, and keep left at the fork in approximately 0.3 miles. Continue an additional 1 mile and park in the wide area on the left side of the road by the yellow gate. You'll walk down the power line access road (beyond the gate) approximately 100 yards to the bridge over Cedar Creek.

GPS Coordinates of parking location: 45.579509, -123.562729

Please allow 1+ hour driving time from downtown Portland.

EAST FORK OF THE LEWIS RIVER – Daybreak Park:

From Vancouver/Portland take I-5 north to Exit 11. At WA-502/NE 219th St., take a right. Fairly immediately, turn left onto NE 10th Street. Travel approximately 3 miles and take a right onto NE 259th Street. Continue 3.5 miles and turn left onto NE 82nd Avenue.

Daybreak Park is on your right. There are restroom facilities available.

Please allow 1 hour driving time from downtown Portland; 22 min. from downtown Vancouver.

