



2025

TrailLink Unlimited 

Guides



**Walterville  
Canal Birding  
Trail**  
*Oregon*



## Walterville Canal Birding Trail

Oregon

*The Walterville Canal Birding Trail is a quiet little gem of a trail, located in the unincorporated community of Walterville, just north*



The Walterville Canal Birding Trail is a quiet little gem of a trail, located in the unincorporated community of Walterville, just north of the McKenzie River outside Eugene, Oregon. The grass and gravel surface is perfect for jogging, dog-walking, and biking with the appropriate tires; the trail runs along the Walterville Canal and loops around the hilly landscape of the local reservoir. The reservoir once served as a pleasant fishing pond, but has now largely been emptied of water, transforming the ground into wetlands - and making it an ideal spot for observing a variety of waterfowl and other species of bird. For those in the Eugene area looking to escape into a more rural setting, the Walterville Canal Birding Trail offers an enticing option just a short drive away.



**TrailLink**  
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

**TrailLink.com**



# Walterville Canal Birding Trail

Oregon

**States:** Oregon

**Counties:** Lane

Length: 1.4miles

**Trail end points:** Walterville Reservoir to  
McKenzie Acres Dr.

**Trail surfaces:** Grass,Gravel

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Walking

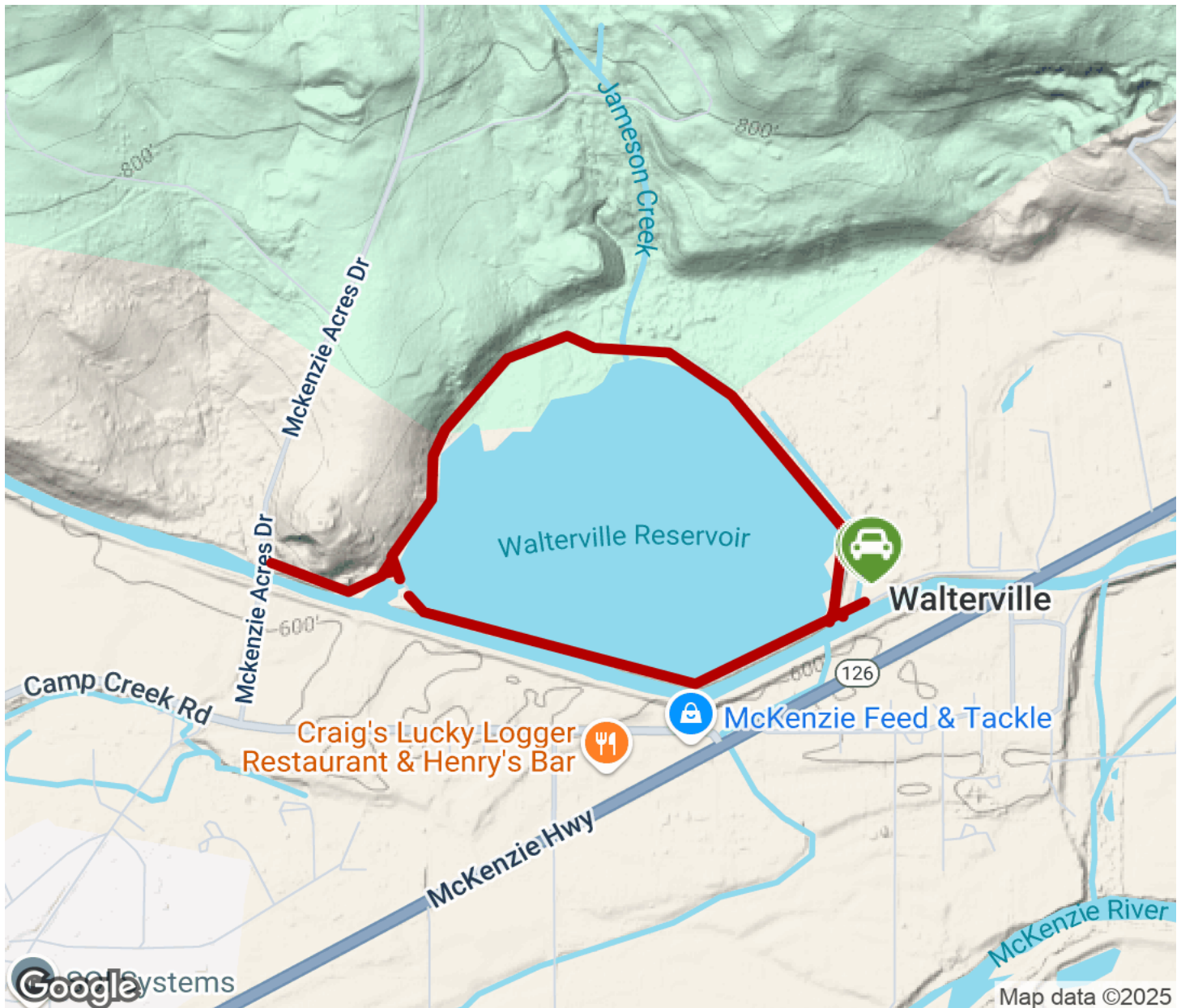
## Parking & Trail Access


A small parking lot is available at the start of the trail, located on a road that runs west off of McKenzie Highway/State Highway 126 (the road located just north of the canal). Lane County Transit also runs a bus that services Walterville.



# Walterville Canal Birding Trail

Oregon



-  Trailhead
-  Restroom
-  Parking
-  Water Fountain
-  Tunnel