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States: Oregon

Counties: Grant

Length: 0.25miles

Trail end points: US 26 near Dixie Summit (8 miles east of Prairie City) to Malheur National Forest

Trail surfaces: Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Walking

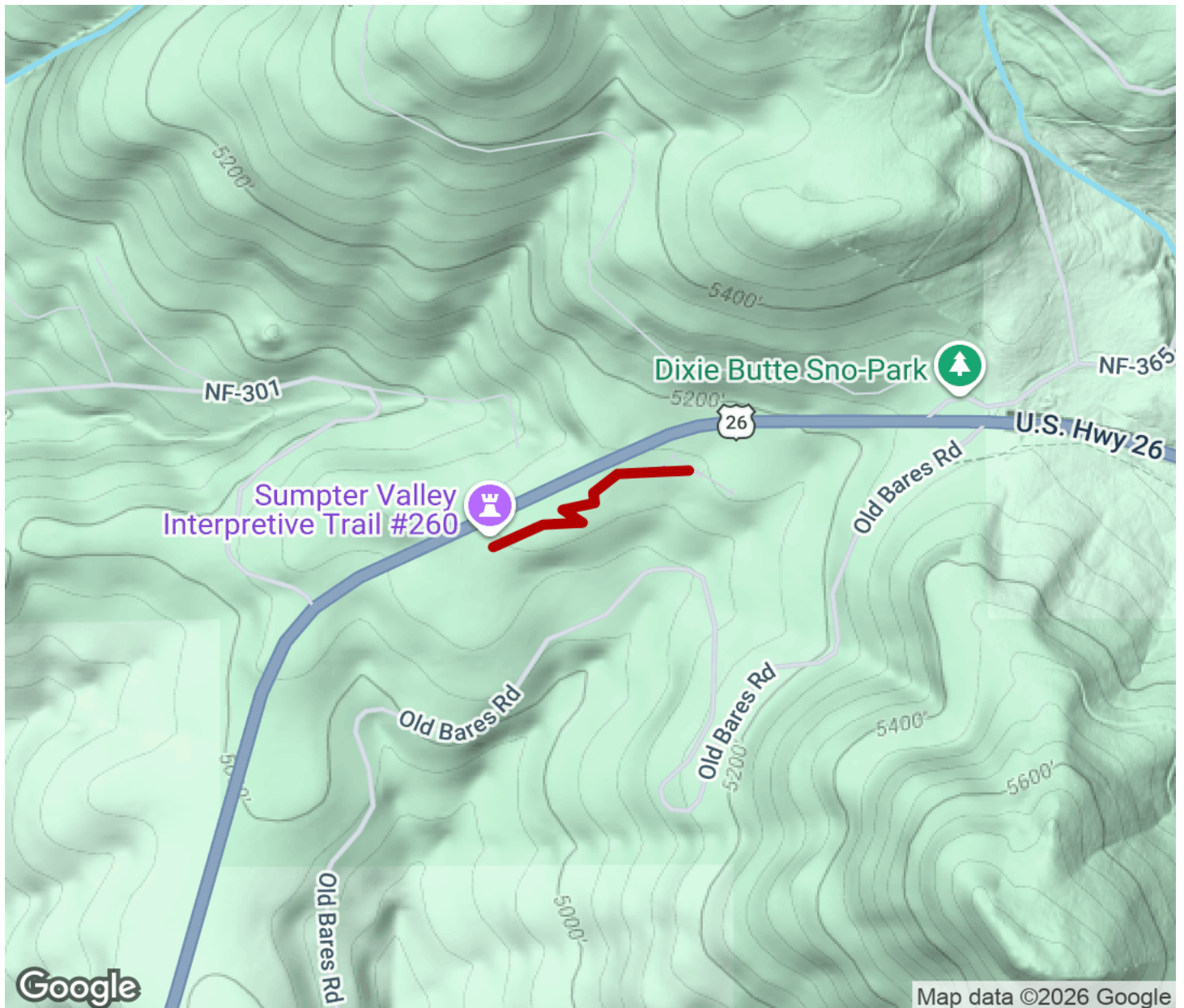
Parking & Trail Access

The trailhead is located on US 26, approximately 8 miles east of Prairie City. A paved parking area is on the right side of the road shortly before Dixie Summit.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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