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Guides



Fort Dodge Nature Trail

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Directly at the southern end of the trail in Snell-Crawford Park, the [Soldier Creek Nature Trail](#) begins. While that trail is paved, the Fort Dodge Nature Trail has a more natural surface, and is thus better suited for fat tire bikes. Motorized vehicles are prohibited on both trails.



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States: Iowa

Counties: Webster

Length: 2.6miles

Trail end points: County Highway D14 just west of Paragon Ave. to Snell-Crawford Park at Williams Dr. and 12th Ave. N

Trail surfaces: Cinder

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Mountain

Biking, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

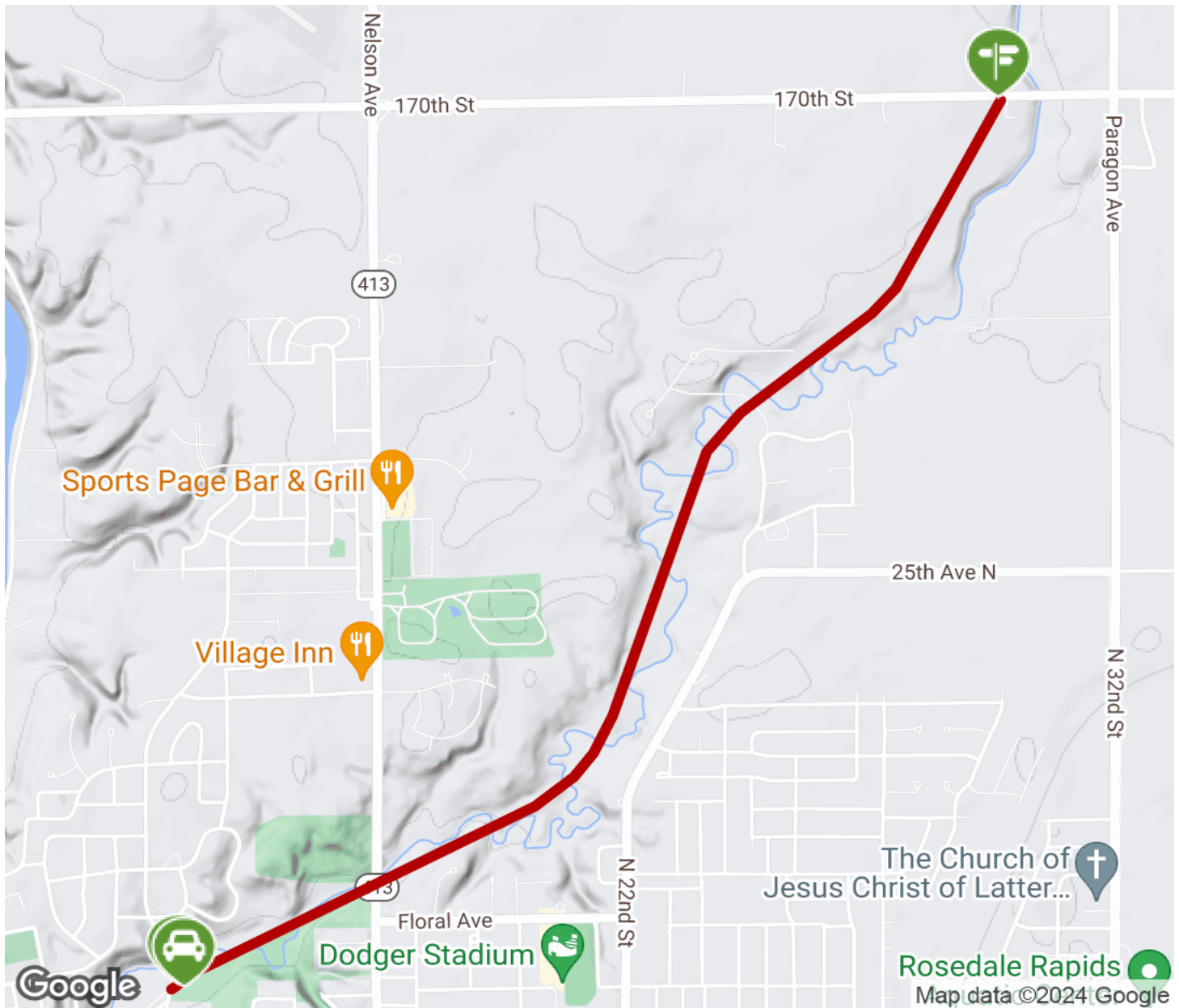
Parking & Trail Access

The sole parking lot for the Fort Dodge Nature Trail is located at Snell-Crawford Park at its southern end on Williams Drive.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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