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Guides



**Lancaster  
Heritage Trail**  
*New York*



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the Port of New York. Trains ceased running in 1972, and the town purchased the corridor in 1984. The trail opened in 2010.

As you travel along, the leafy tree cover will occasionally open up to offer vistas of farm fields and ponds. Look for wildlife, such as deer, chipmunks, and birds. Over the course of the route, you'll encounter only three street crossings, which are well-marked and across low-volume roadways.

The trail ends at Town Line Road in the small hamlet of Dellwood, where a trailhead parking lot accommodates a handful of cars.

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Begin your journey northeast of downtown Lancaster at Walter Winter Drive, where the trailhead offers a parking lot and a kiosk with information about the trail and its history. The rail-trail was developed on a portion of the former Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, built in 1882 to haul coal from Pennsylvania's Lackawanna Valley mines to Buffalo, as well as grain from Buffalo to



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**States:** New York

**Counties:** Erie

Length: 4miles

**Trail end points:** Walter Winter Dr., 0.1 mile south of Commerce Parkway (Lancaster) to Town Line Road, 0.4 mile north of Westwood Road (Dellwood)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking, Cross

## Parking & Trail Access

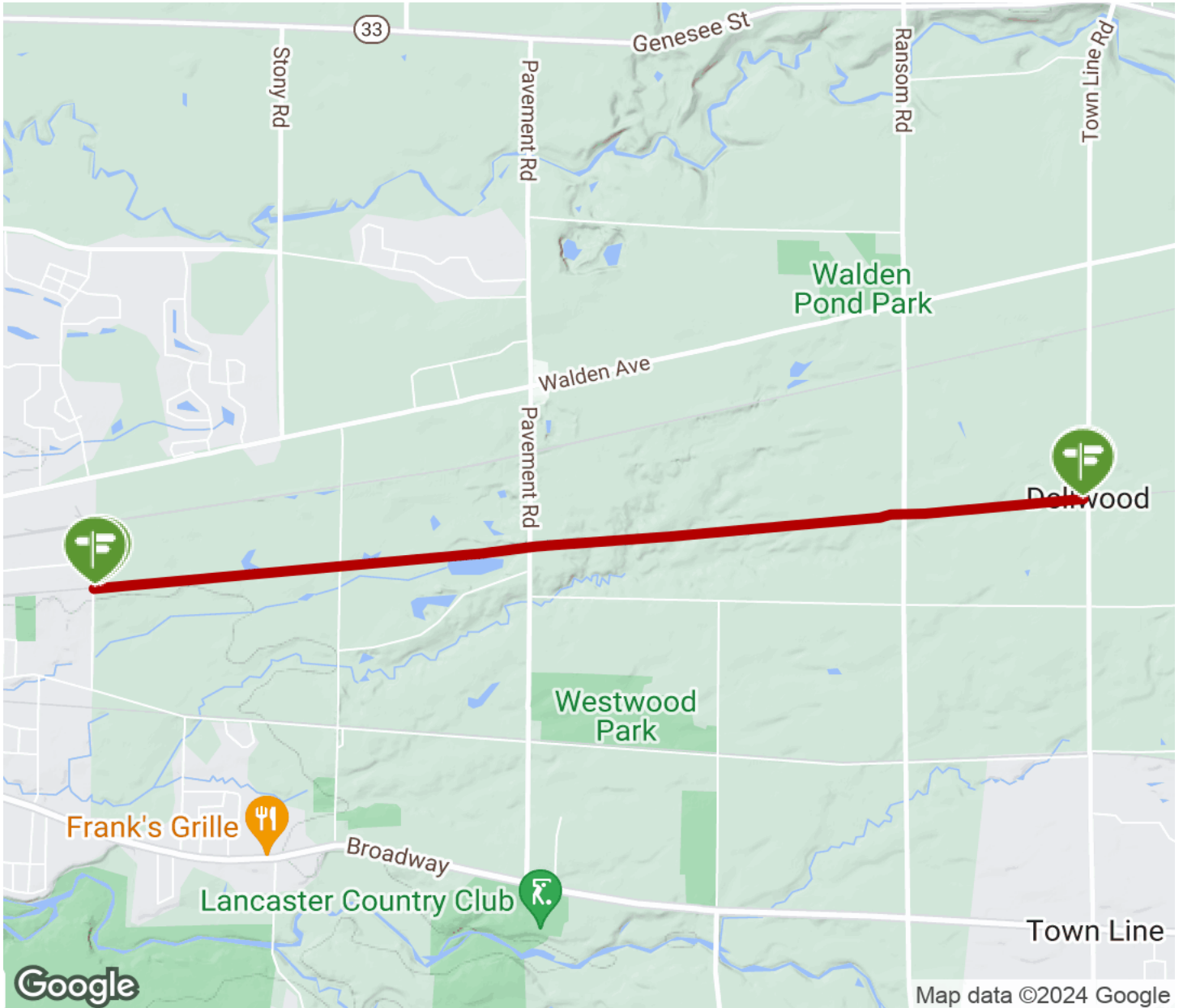
To reach the western terminus from I-90, take Exit 52E for Walden Ave. Turn right to head east on Walden Ave., and go 4.7 miles to Central Ave. Turn right and travel 0.2 mile to Commerce Pkwy. Turn left and travel 0.8 mile to Walter Winter Dr. Turn right; in 0.1 mile the trailhead parking lot will be on your left.

To reach the eastern terminus from I-90, take Exit 52E for Walden Ave. Turn right to head east on Walden Ave., and go 9.6 miles to Town Line Road. Take a right; in 1.0 mile the trailhead parking lot will be on your right.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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