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Walnut Creek Trail

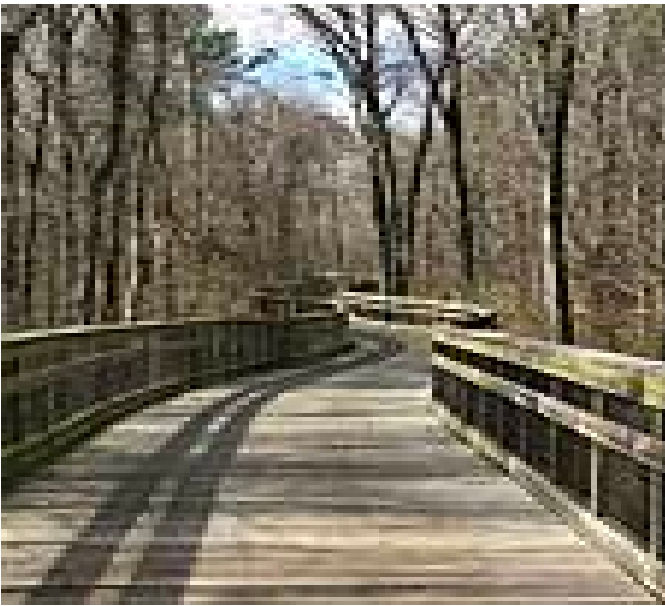
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The Walnut Creek Trails spans more than 19 miles on an east-west route through Raleigh. Only its western end, through Lake Johnson Park, is unpaved.

The trail affords stunning views of Lake Johnson, wildlife viewing (turtles, waterfowl, numerous bird species), a unique stand of big leaf magnolia (in Lake Johnson Park), access to the Walnut Creek Wetland Center, and passage through areas of large loblolly pine. In addition, the trail passes recreational parks, running adjacent to a state farmers' market, amphitheater, and swimming pools.

Increasing its value for both transportation and recreation, the Walnut Creek Trail links to other trails in the area: [Rocky Branch](#), [Little Rock](#), and the [Neuse River Trail](#).

Closure Notice: From July 1, 2023 until December 31, 2023, sections of the trail between Rock Quarry Road and Sunnybrook Road (between mile markers 5 and 6.25) are closed. Check the [City of Raleigh's trail page](#) for the most up-to-date information.

The trail is closed between Rock Quarry Road and I-440 until through May 31, 2023 due to the Walnut Creek Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. Closed between mile marker 3 1/4 and 6 1/2, the trail has a four-mile detour using Britch Ridge Drive, Poole Road, Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard and Raleigh Boulevard. Please note that this is a sidewalk only detour. [The map for the detour can be found here](#). Additional details can be found on the City of Raleigh's [trail closure page](#) and on the [trail project page](#).



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States: North Carolina

Counties: Wake

Length: 18.1miles

Trail end points: Lake Johnson Park to Neuse River Trail

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Fishing, Wheelchair

Accessible, Walking

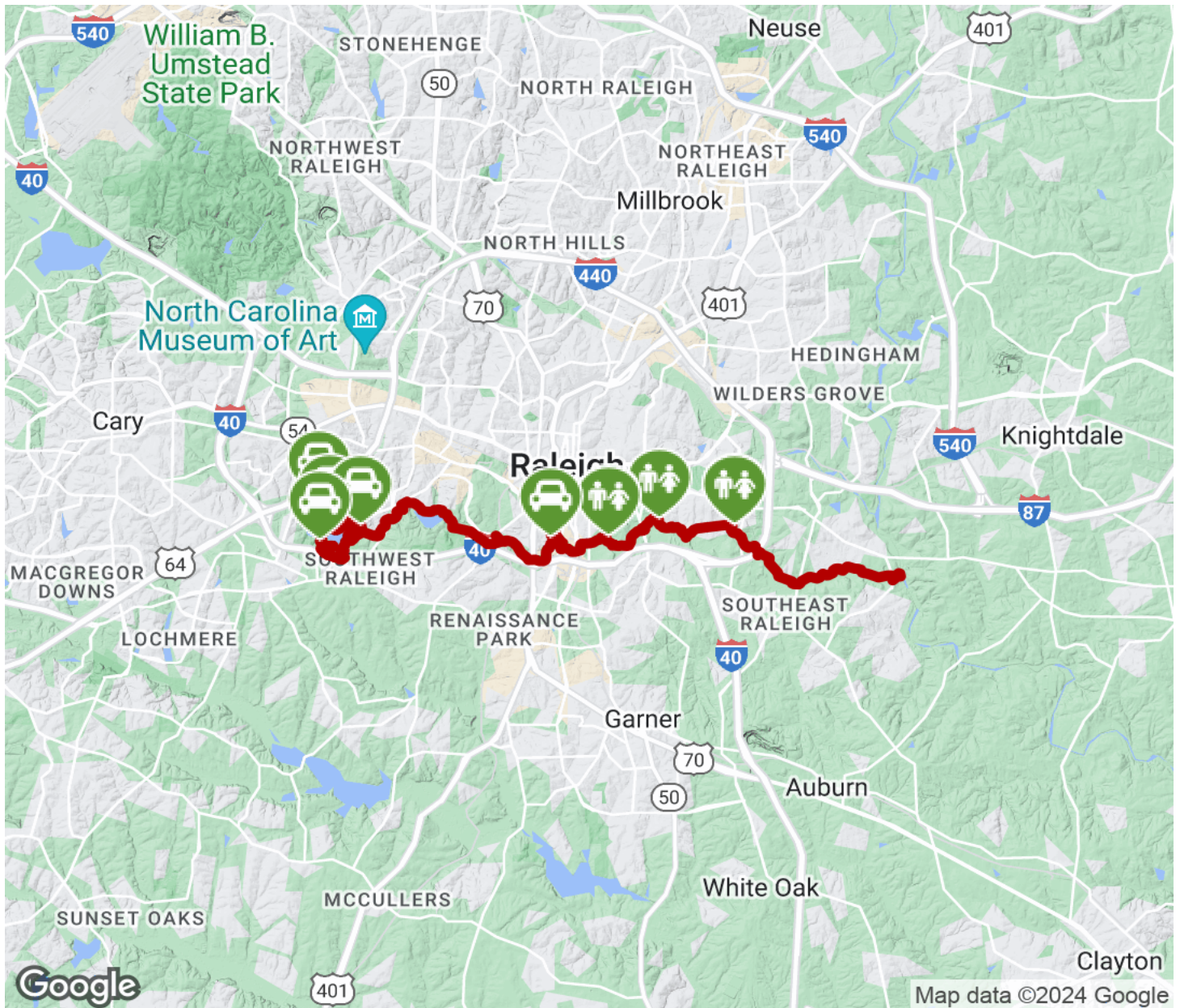
Parking & Trail Access

On its west end, parking is available in Lake Johnson Park (4601 Avent Ferry Road). Mid-trail, you can park in Eliza Pool Park (1600 Fayetteville Street).



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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