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Meadow Bike  
Path**  
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The Great Meadow Bike Path provides an important 1.5-mile transportation route from the main entrance of the University of California at Santa Cruz to the busy campus core. The trail is surrounded by rolling hills, meadows and tree-lined ravines, and also connects to dirt-surfaced recreational trails to explore the school's arboretum, nearby redwood forests and other attractions. The trail climbs as it heads north, but this also affords some spectacular views of the Monterey Bay.

As the paved pathway was originally constructed in 1973, plans are in the works to improve the popular trail, such as widening it in 2020.

Note that pedestrian use is not permitted.



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**States:** California

**Counties:** Santa Cruz

Length: 1.5miles

**Trail end points:** Coolidge Dr. to Meyer Dr.

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

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

**Trail activities:** Bike

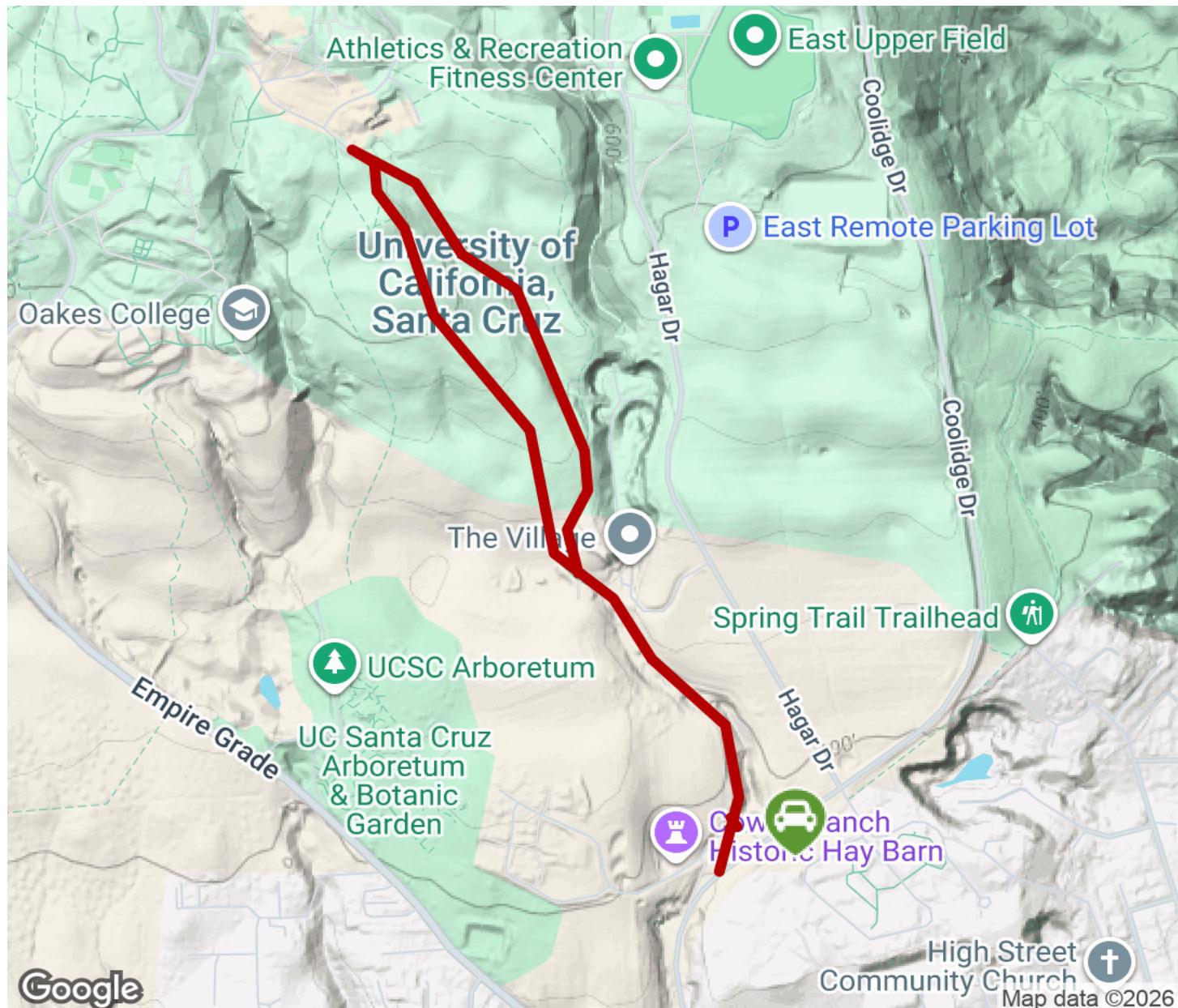
## Parking & Trail Access

If trail users wish to park on campus, one-day visitor parking permits can be purchased through the school; note that some campus parking lots are free on weekday evenings and on weekends. Please see the [University of California at Santa Cruz website](#) for details.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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