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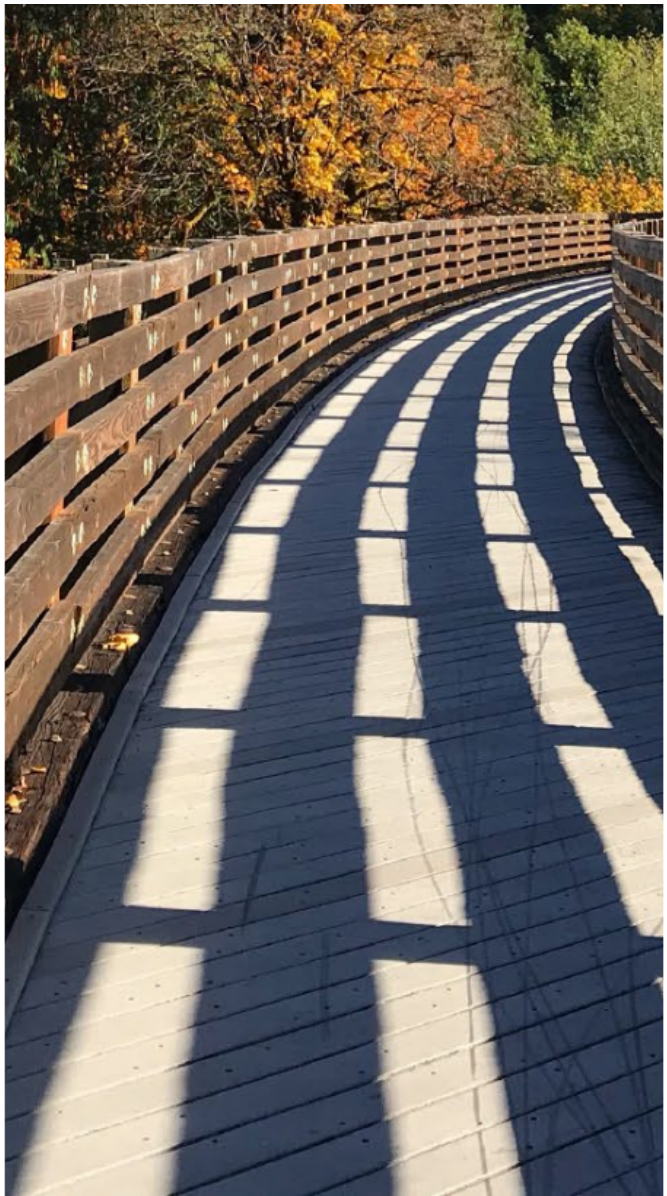

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States: Iowa

Counties: Dallas

Length: 1.6miles

Trail end points: Meredith Drive (Bob Layton Trail) to Waterford Road and 156th Street

Trail surfaces: Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

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

Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available nearby at Walnut Creek Regional Park, off of Aurora Avenue just to the west of the intersection with 147th Street. To reach the parking lot from Interstate 35/80, take exit 126 in Urbandale and proceed west on Douglas Parkway. Turn right onto NW 128th Street, and then left onto Aurora Ave/NW 42nd Avenue. Continue onto Aurora Avenue; the parking lot will be on the right.

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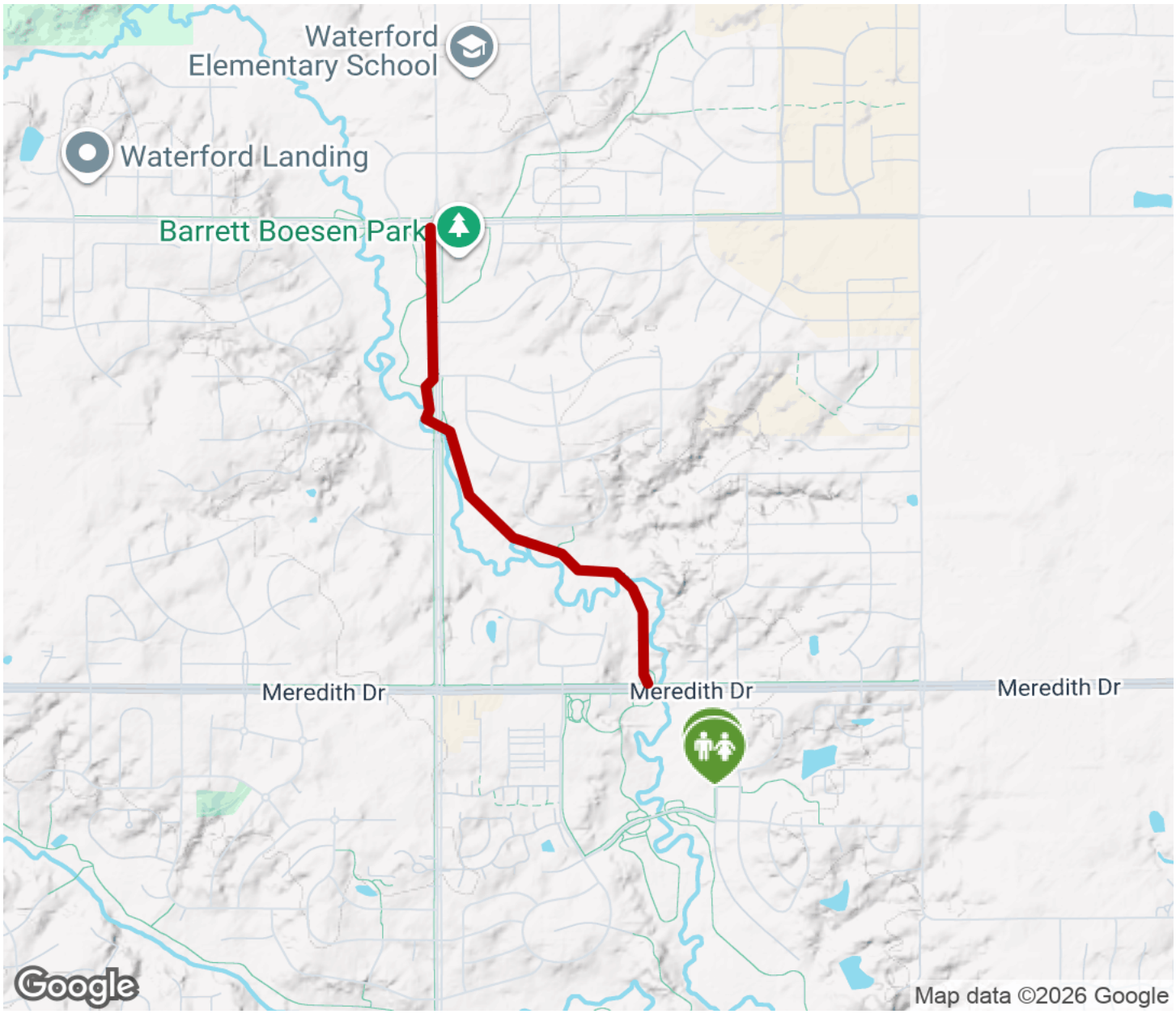

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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