



2026

TrailLink Unlimited 

Guides   



**Riverview
Recreation
Area Trail**
Iowa



Riverview Recreation Area Trail

Iowa

Connecting Waterloo's urban center with a popular recreation area that supports the local ATV community, the Riverview



and railroad bridges that link the city across the river. Another connection with the 218 Trail is available at 18th Street, allowing trail users to make an off-road loop around the western riverfront area. Continuing onward, the trail enters a more sparsely built-up area, passing along the edge of Rooftop Park where picnic tables and a playground are available for use. The terminus of the trail is a loop around Harold Getty Lake in the Riverview Recreation Area - host to a series of dirt tracks for ATV use, the park also offers parking and boat ramps to get out on the lake.

Connecting Waterloo's urban center with a popular recreation area that supports the local ATV community, the Riverview Recreation Area Trail forms a vital link in the area's multi-use trail network and offers plenty of scenic views of the Cedar River. Paralleled on the eastern side of the river by the [Cedar Valley Lakes Trail](#), the trail traverses the tree-lined western bank, providing convenient access to many popular local businesses, restaurants, and parks.

Starting in the north, the Riverview Recreation Area Trail meets up with the [218 Trail](#) via 6th Street, allowing trail users to continue further north into Waterloo's downtown and beyond to additional trails. The trail runs right along the riverbank heading south and east; looking behind you, you're provided with great views of the road



TrailLink
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

TrailLink.com



Riverview Recreation Area Trail

Iowa

States: Iowa

Counties: Black Hawk

Length: 2.7miles

Trail end points: 6th St. and Washington St.
(218 Trail) to E Mitchell Ave. east of Lowell Ave.

Trail surfaces: Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the Riverview Recreation Area in several lots around the lake: at Hawthorne Ave. and Kenyon Ave. on the northern side of the park, off of Mitchell Ave. just past Lowell Ave. at a picnic area, and at the end of Mitchell Ave. at a boat launch. The lots are easily accessible just to the east of U.S. Highway 218/Interstate 380 in Waterloo - follow Mitchell Avenue east off the highway and the recreation area will appear in less than a mile. Additional parking is available at the north end of the trail in a city lot adjacent to 6th St. and Washington St. beneath the highway overpass.



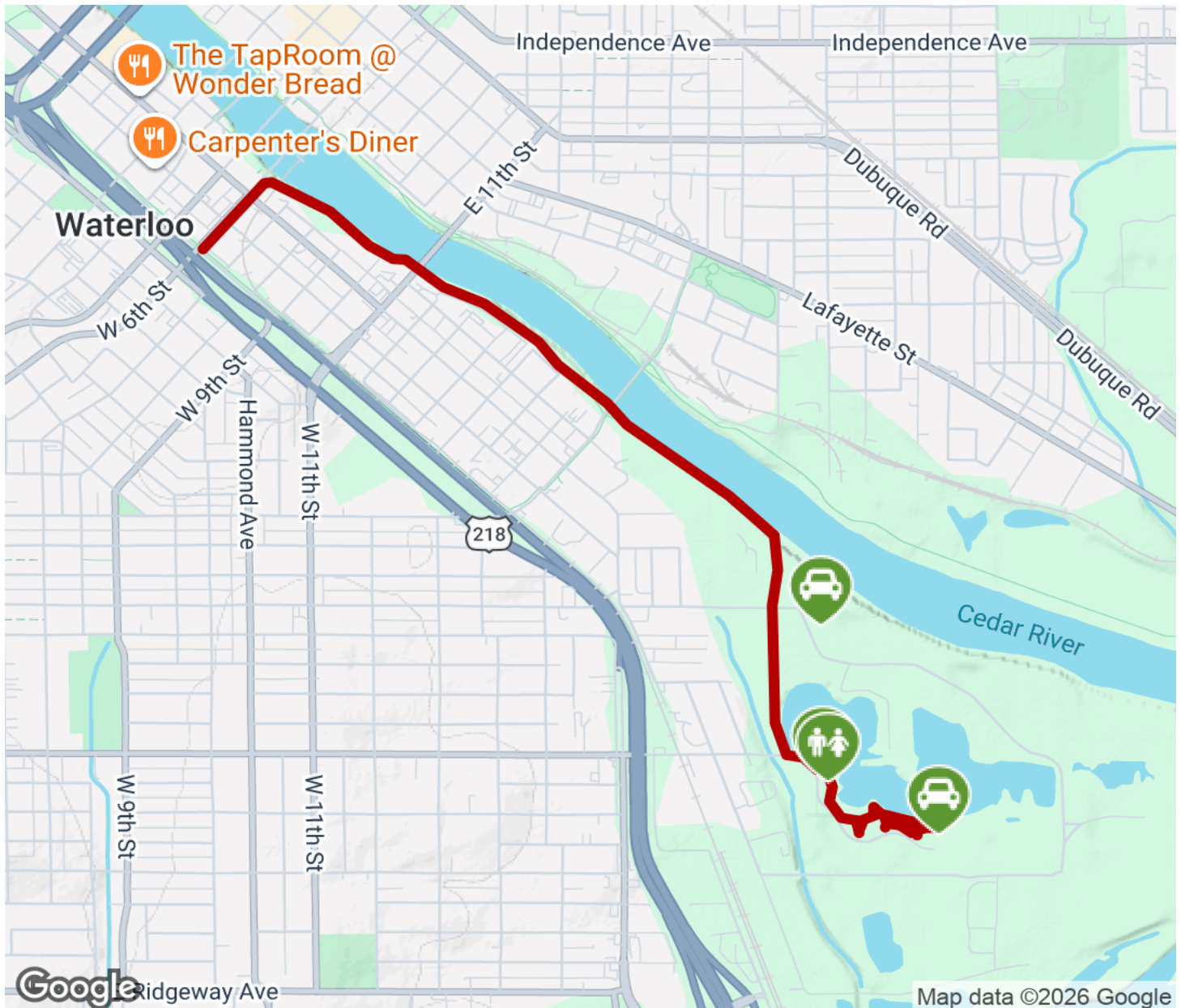
TrailLink
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

TrailLink.com



Riverview Recreation Area Trail

Iowa



Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



TrailLink
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

TrailLink.com