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Guides



**North Sioux
City/McCook
Lake Trail**
South Dakota



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underpass. Past the underpass, the trail turns north to follow the side of Streeter Drive, paralleling the highway to the east. The trail begins following Northshore Drive at the northern end of McCook Lake, and then turns south to head into the entrance of the Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve - a 1500-acre recreation site that features its own looping trail for cyclists and pedestrians.

Connecting residents to community destinations like parks and schools, and located conveniently next to several local hotels for visitors who want to explore the area on foot, the North Sioux City/McCook Lake Trail plays an important role in both off-road transportation and recreation.

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The path begins in the south at the junction of Military Road and River Drive; continuing west along River Drive, the trail passes by a number of suburban neighborhoods and commercial sites as it approaches the highway



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States: South Dakota

Counties: Union

Length: 4.3miles

Trail end points: Military Rd. & River Dr. to
Westshore Dr. (Adams Nature Center)

Trail surfaces: Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Inline Skating, Walking

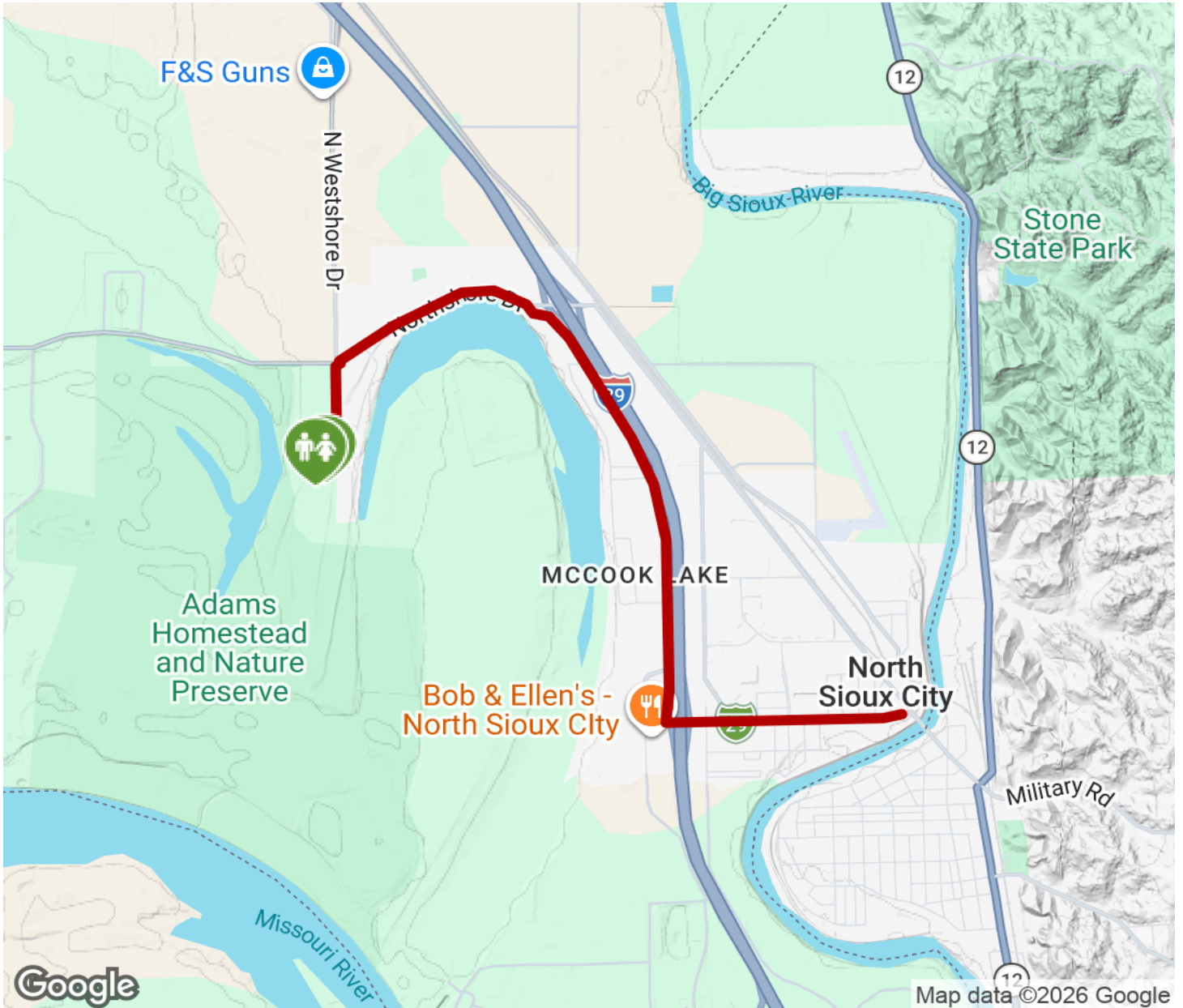
Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the northern end of the trail at the Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve, located off of Westshore Drive about a half-mile south of Northshore Drive. Additionally, one of Sioux City's public bus lines, the 5, has a stop at River Drive and Military Road.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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