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Guides



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Progress**  
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**States:** Iowa

**Counties:** Franklin

Length: 3.3miles

**Trail end points:** Gilman Street (Sheffield) to  
220th Street (north of Chapin)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Gravel

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking

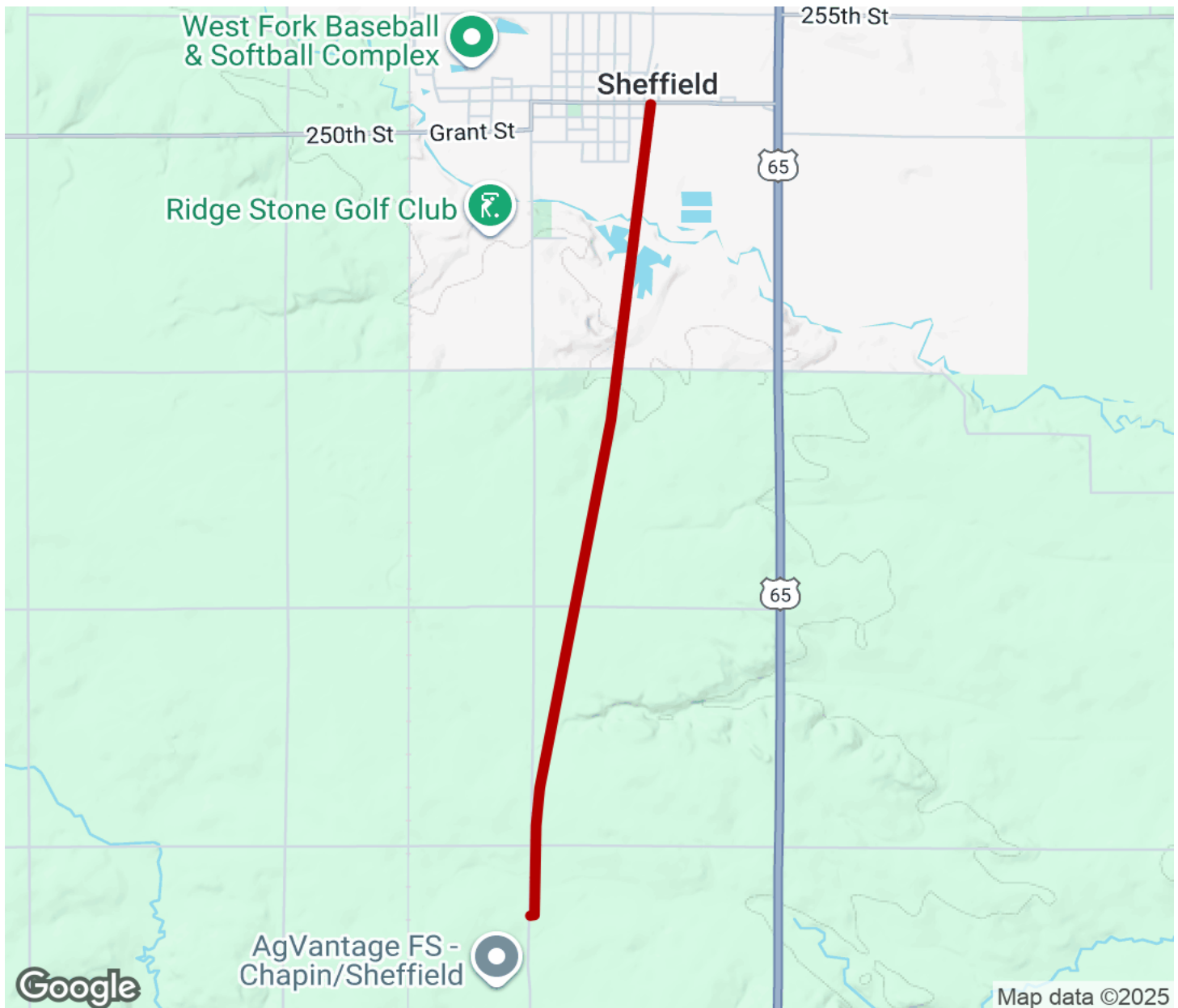
## Parking & Trail Access

There is no dedicated parking for this trail but you may be able to find nearby on-street parking on Gilman Street.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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