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Guides



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The Lee Lateral Ditch intersects with the [Signal Ditch Trail](#) on its west end, which in turn connects to the [Farmers' High Line Canal Trail](#).



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States: Colorado

Counties: Adams

Length: 4.3miles

Trail end points: York Street to 136th Ave.

Trail surfaces: Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike,Inline

Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

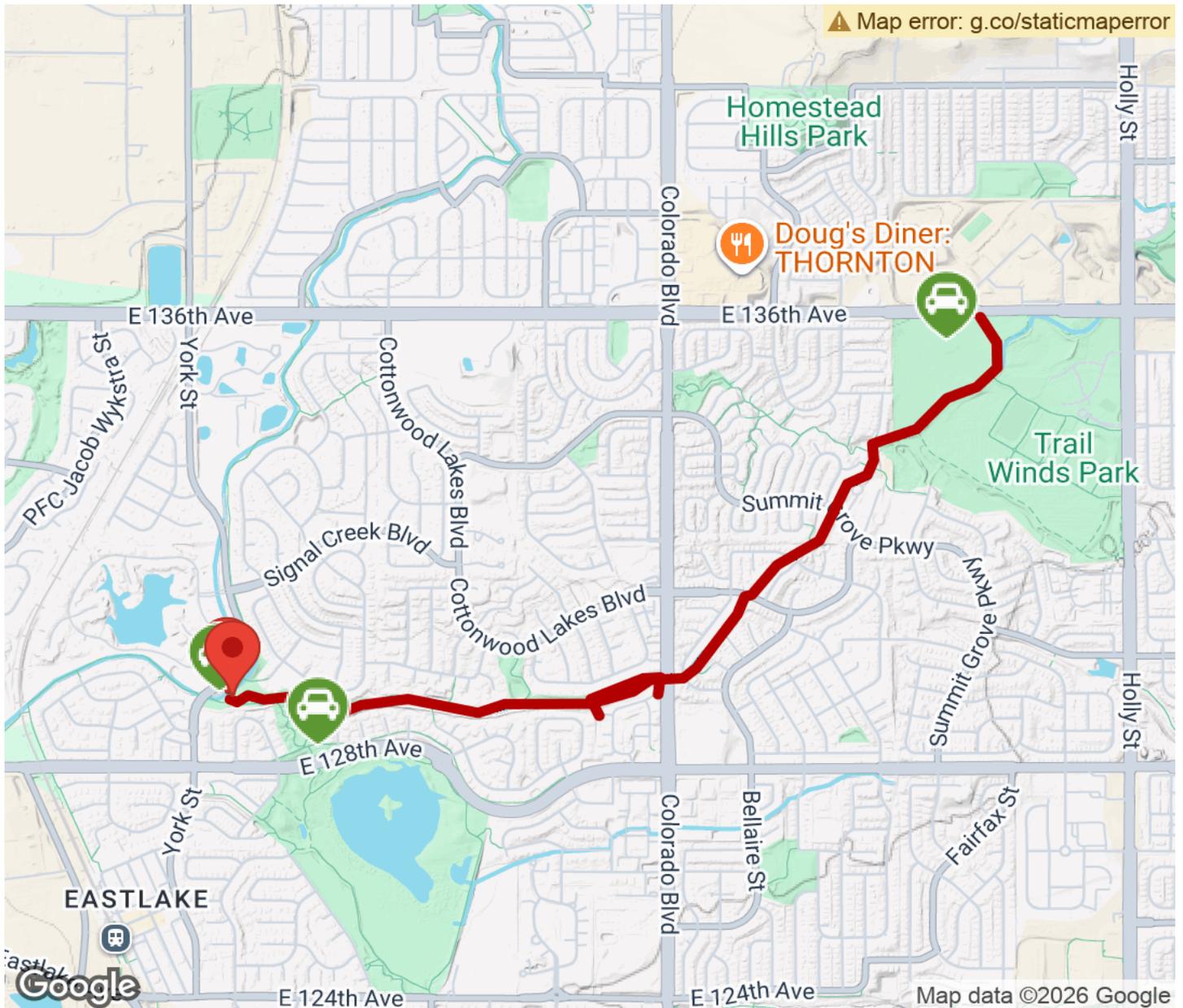
Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at either end of the trail. On the west side, park at Lake Village Park. There is a small lot on York Street where near the intersection with the Signal Ditch Trail and another off Fillmore Court, just north of 128th Avenue. On the west end, park at the Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center (5310 E 136th Ave, Thornton). The trail curves around the east end of the building into the open space behind it. There are also access points from the surrounding neighborhoods for those joining the trail on foot or by bike.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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