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Guides



**Bud
Hendrickson
Nature Trail**
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States: Wisconsin

Counties: La Crosse

Length: 1.2miles

Trail end points: Gillette Street to Oak Street

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike,Inline

Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

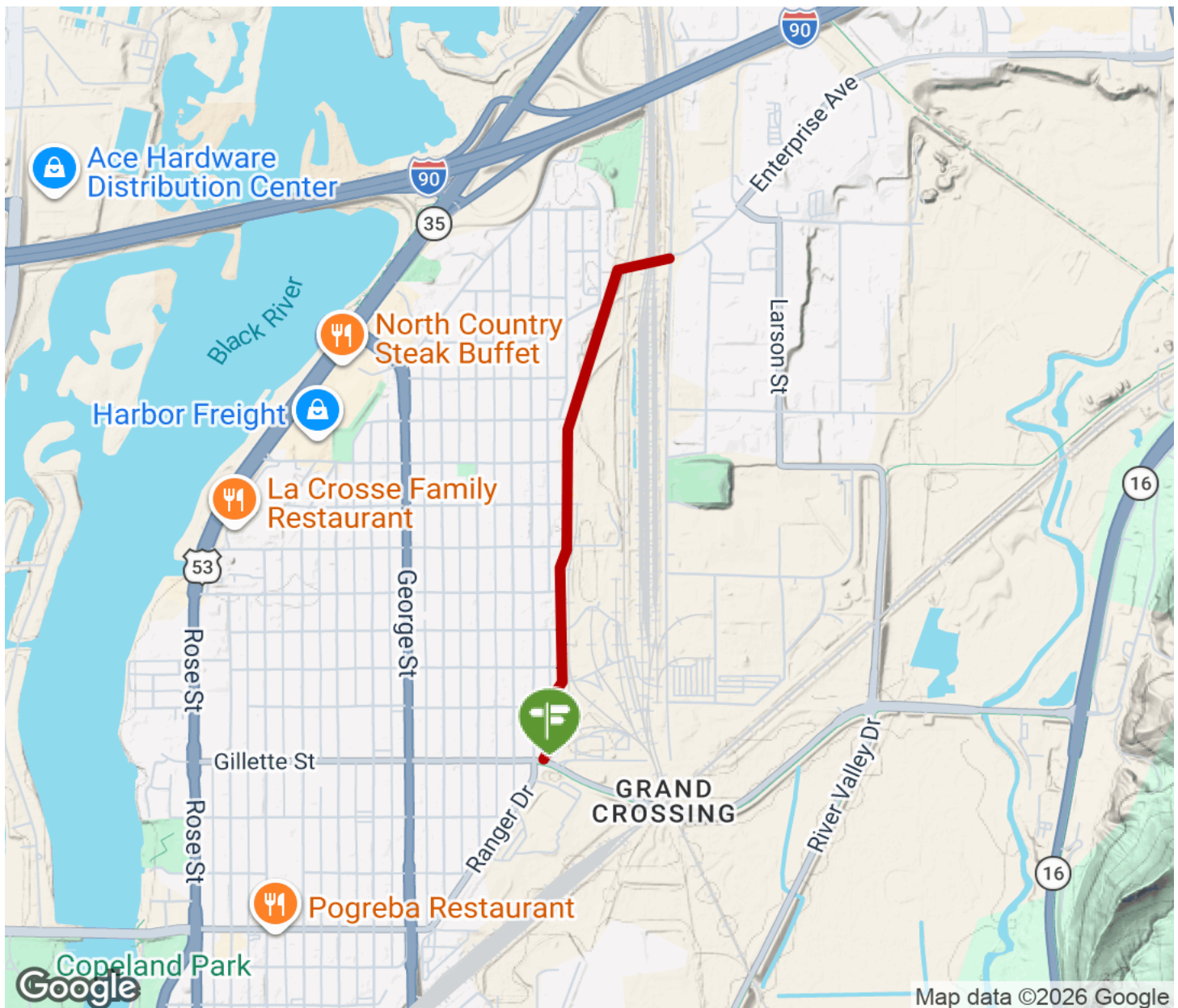
Parking & Trail Access

The trail's start point is located at approximately 1604 Gillette Street, La Crosse. There is no dedicated parking for this trail. Residents of the adjacent neighborhoods can access the trail on foot or by bike.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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