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Pedestrian bridges provide connections between the northern and southern shores. At the trail's western end, there is a well-protected pedestrian walkway on the Logan Street Bridge. Midway along the route, the pedestrian St. Joseph River Suspension Bridge crosses the water between the east edge of Battell Park on the northern bank and the Robert C. Beutter Riverfront Park on the south bank, where a second shorter bridge crosses a very small branch of the river that split off from the larger waterway. At the trail's southern end, a boardwalk footbridge crosses the river just before the dam and the Mishawaka Fish Ladder, which helps migratory

fish access the lower 63 miles of river.

On the northern bank, the trail begins at its western endpoint on Logan Street, where it connects to [Northside Trail](#). The 3-mile Northside Trail follows the river west to South Bend.

Heading east, the Mishawaka Riverwalk runs between Wilson Boulevard and the river. The route is lined with trees until it reaches Battell Park (301 W Mishawaka Ave), where there are restrooms, drinking fountains, parking, tennis courts, benches, a playground, and rock garden ponds. At the eastern end of the park, you can cross the river via the St. Joseph River Suspension Bridge and continue on the riverwalk in either direction.

This section has a paved concrete surface that somewhat resembles a wide sidewalk. The pathway is likely navigable for those using mobility devices and families with strollers. Winding through the park, the trail continues to head east with continuous views of the river unobstructed by trees and an even wider, smoother surface.

The trail passes the Ball Band Memorial Overlook (115 W Mishawaka Ave) and winds through Central Park (295 E Mishawaka Ave) before crossing the river via the boardwalk footbridge. Now heading west, the route continues to have unobstructed views of the water and a wide, smooth surface. The trail curves through Robert C. Beutter Riverfront Park (Riverfront Park, 120 Ironworks Ave), which has picnic tables, drinking fountains, benches, relaxing water features, pretty gardens, parking, and the Ironworks Ice Rink.

Heading west, the route includes the shorter pedestrian bridge, and the Suspension Bridge offers the option to return to the northern bank. Staying on the south bank, the trail actually crosses a thin sliver of the river to wind through Kamm Island Park (600 W Front St). Returning to the mainland, the riverwalk has a small trailhead with public restrooms, parking, benches, and river access (86 Schellinger



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**States:** Indiana

**Counties:** St. Joseph

Length: 2.6miles

**Trail end points:** Logan St, just south of Wilson Blvd to Central Park (295 E Mishawaka Ave)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt,Brick,Concrete

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Inline

Skating,Fishing,Wheelchair

Accessible,Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

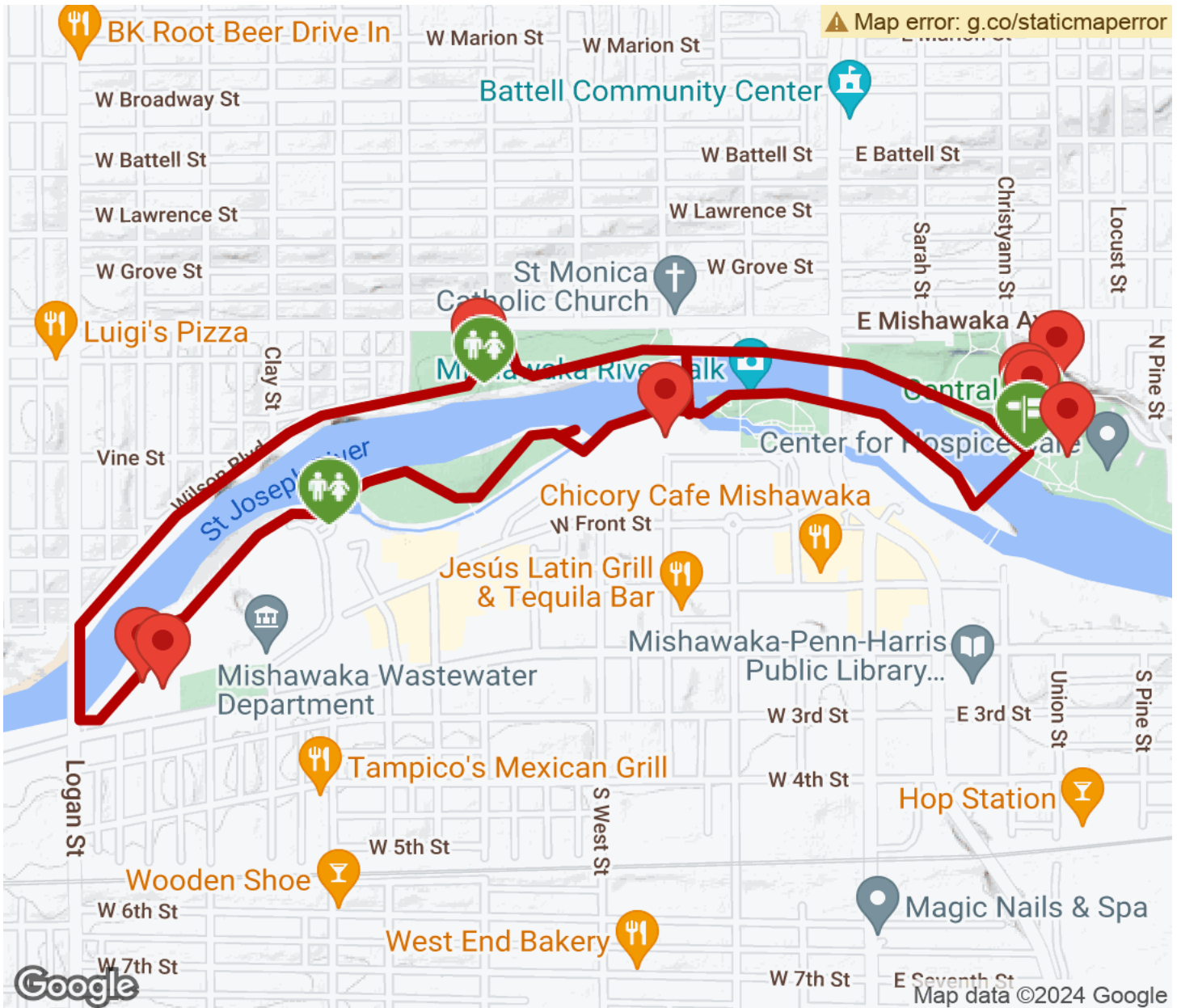
The riverwalk is easily accessible via South Bend's public transit system. Visit the [Transpo website](#) for more information.

Parking is available at Central Park (295 E Mishawaka Ave), Battell Park (301 W Mishawaka Ave), Robert C. Beutter Riverfront Park (Riverfront Park, 120 Ironworks Ave), a small trailhead (86 Schellinger Square), and Kate's Garden next to Lincoln Park (1004 Lincolnway W). Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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