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Trail History

The Swing Bridge was one of the few double-decker bridges to span the Mississippi. It was used for trains until 1980, and was partially demolished in 2009 before opening as a park.

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About the Route

The trail itself is only 0.2 miles long, and while the bridge does not cross the river, it provides scenic views of the Mississippi and amenities including a restroom, picnic tables, and benches.

Connections

Swing Bridge Park connects to the [Mississippi River Regional Trail \(Dakota County\)](#).



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States: Minnesota

Counties: Dakota

Length: 0.2miles

Trail end points: Swing Bridge Park to Swing Bridge Park

Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Ballast,Boardwalk

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

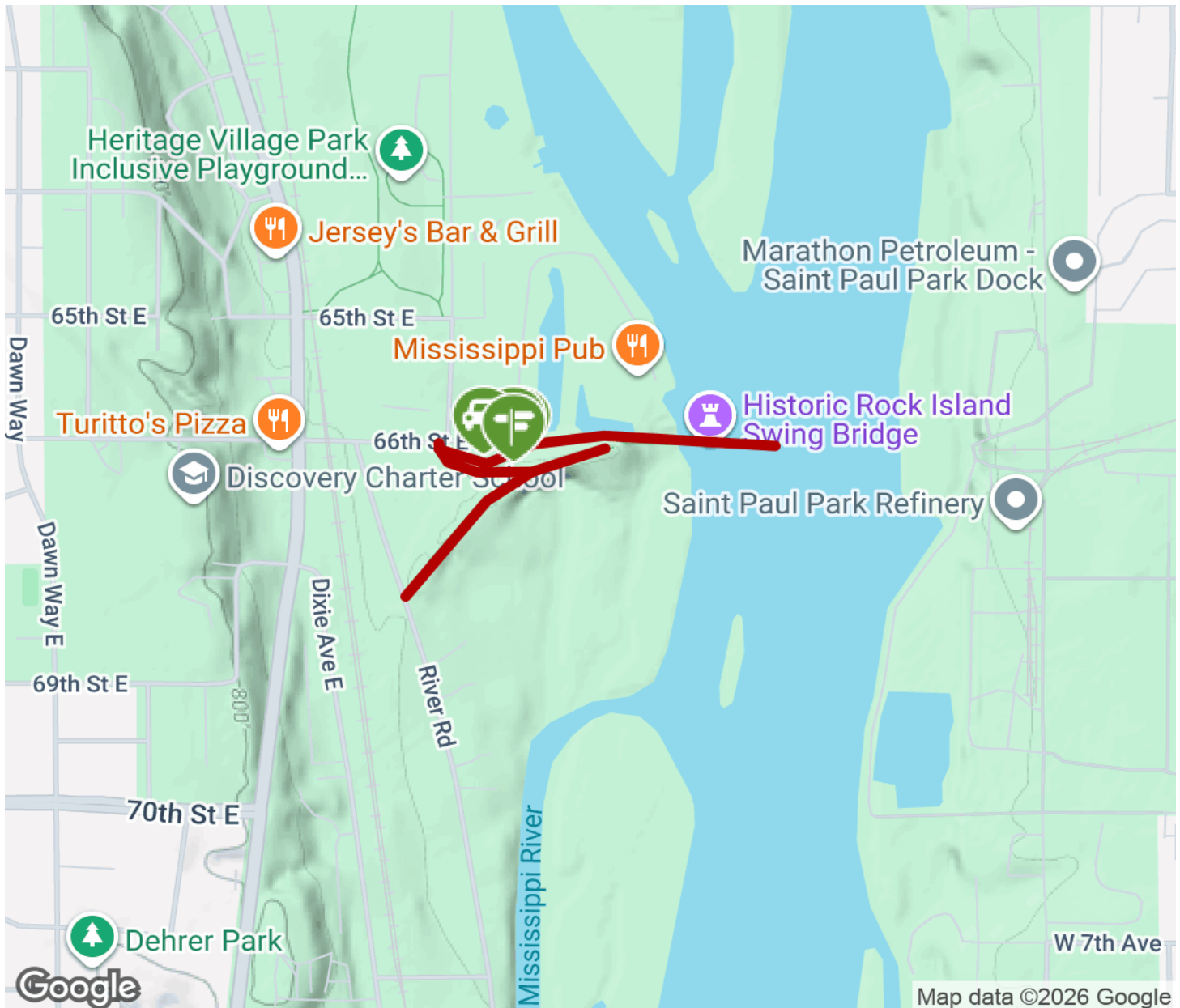
Parking & Trail Access

Parking for the Rock Island Swing Bridge is available directly at the park. Please see the TrailLink Map for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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