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Part of the [Rolling Prairie Trail](#), the Shell Rock River Trail (also known as the Butler County Nature Trail) connects the eastern edge of Clarksville with the community of Shell Rock. The trail runs through open fields and at times approaches the Shell Rock River.

The trail is part of the Rolling Prairie Tri-County Trail System, which consists of several open segments along an old railroad corridor: the [Rolling Prairie Trail](#), the [Waverly Rail Trail](#), the [Denver-Jefferson Trail](#), and the [Readlyn Grump Trail](#).

When complete, the Rolling Prairie Tri-County Trail System will connect nine communities, three counties and two state parks along its 80-mile length.



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States: Iowa

Counties: Butler

Length: 5.9miles

Trail end points: Superior Rd/C33 & Temple Ave (Clarksville) to N Public Rd & Wrangler Rd (Shell Rock)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The official trailhead is located at the southern endpoint by the intersection of N Public Road and Wrangler Road. There is a small parking lot and a kiosk with maps and information. A small picnic shelter, restrooms, and a bike repair station are located at city hall (802 N Public Rd, Shell Rock).

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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