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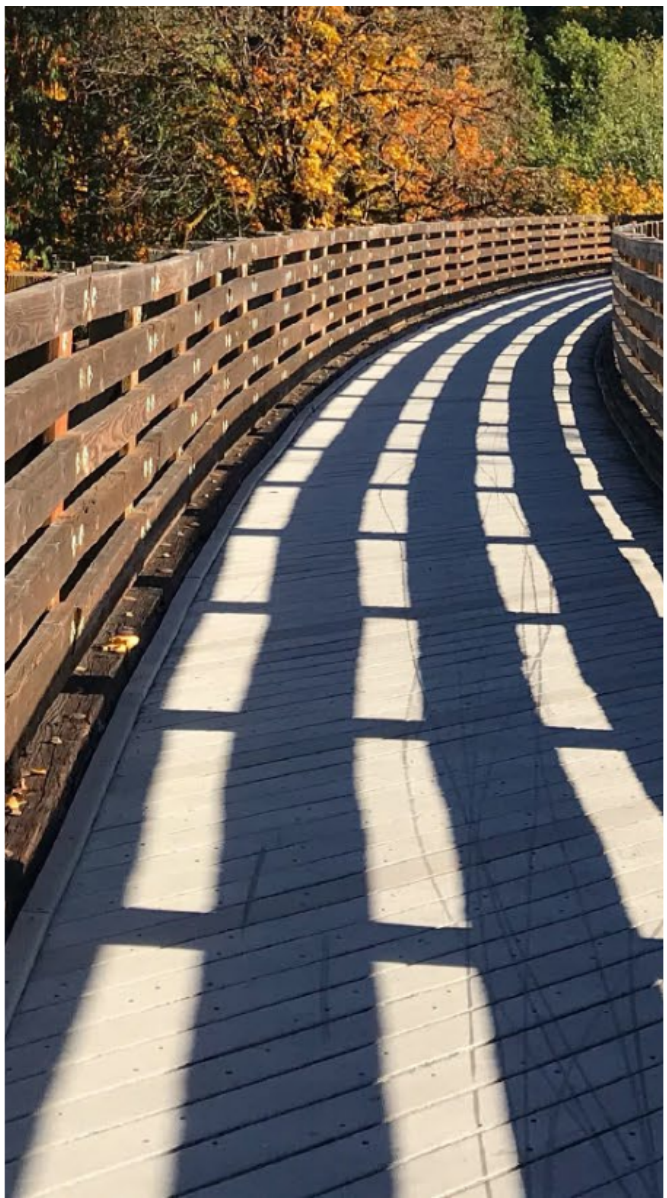

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States: Iowa
Counties: Benton,Tama
Length: 15.3miles
Trail end points: S K Ave/US 218 (Vinton) to X Ave/Market Rd (Dysart)
Trail surfaces: Cinder,Crushed Stone,Gravel
Trail category: Rail-Trail
Trail activities: Mountain Biking,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

In Dysart the trailhead is off Highway 21 and just east of Casey's. In Vinton the trailhead is off Highway 218 just north of Theisen's and ALCO. You can also access the trail in Garrison at the county trunk road V56 near Pine Street and where the trail intersect Hickory/Houston Street.

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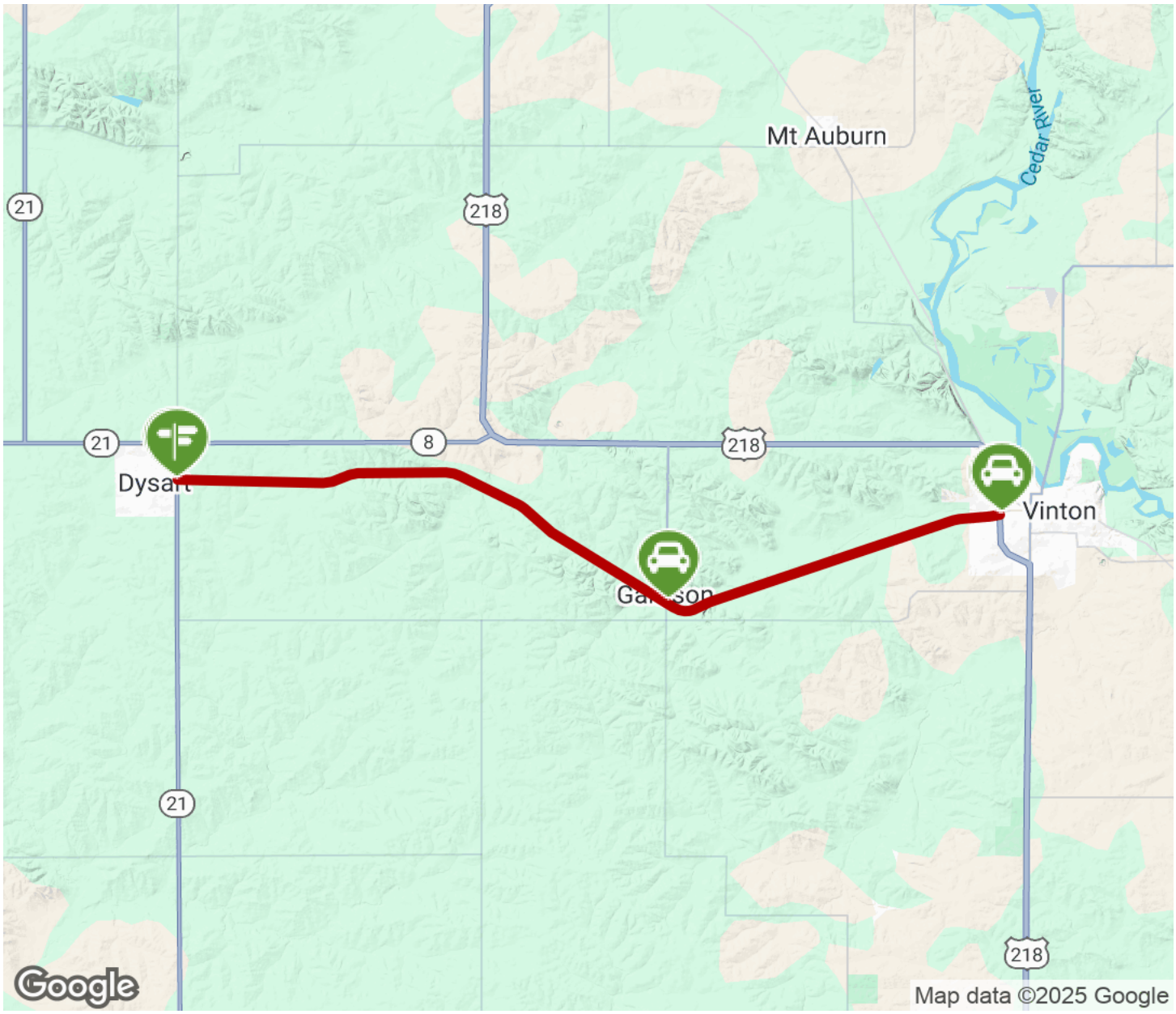

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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