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Guides



**Lowell  
Parkway Trail**  
*Illinois*



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Park, you can continue heading northwest on a short piece of the [Joe Stengel Trail](#), which goes a short distance to Penrose Road through Penrose Prairie. To pick up the rest of the Joe Stengel Trail, you'll have to go by road to Woosung.

The Lowell Parkway Trail runs through the charming town of Dixon, Illinois, boyhood home of Ronald Reagan. The trail occupies the rail bed of the old Illinois Central Railroad, between Lowell Park and John C. Roe Park, on the northwest side of the Rock River.

The scenic trail passes through lovely parks and a landscape of forest and cultivated fields. The Lowell Parkway Trail is popular with walkers, cyclists, joggers, wildlife-watchers and other outdoor recreationists. Benches along the trail and a picnic shelter make for peaceful places to sit and enjoy the scenery. You'll also find additional gravel trails in both Meadows and Lowell parks, the latter of which is on the National Register of Historic Places and has a designated Illinois Nature Preserve. Where the trail makes a dogleg into Lowell



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**States:** Illinois

**Counties:** Lee

Length: 3.5miles

**Trail end points:** Washington Ave. at  
Bradshaw St. to Fawn Ridge Rd. at Lowell Park  
(Dixon)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike,Inline

Skating,Snowmobiling,Walking,Cross Country  
Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

Park at the southern end of the Lowell Parway Trail off  
Washington Avenue or at the northern end in Lowell Park  
(2114 Lowell Park Rd.).



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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