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Guides



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At the Central Canal Towpath's northern endpoint, continue along the 18-mile [Monon Trail](#).

Where the trail crosses W 30th St., the trail meets the [White River Wapahani Trail](#).

At the southern end of the trail, the towpath meets the [Fall Creek Trail](#).

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About the Route

The trail runs past a number of cultural amenities, including Butler University, Holcomb Gardens, and the Indianapolis Museum of Art.

Connections



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States: Indiana

Counties: Marion

Length: 6.4miles

Trail end points: Monon Trail (Broad Ripple) to
Burdsal Parkway (Indianapolis)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone

Trail category: Canal

Trail activities: Bike, Walking, Wheelchair
Accessible, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Central Canal Towpath runs between the Monon Trail (Broad Ripple) and Burdsal Parkway (Indianapolis).

Parking is available at:

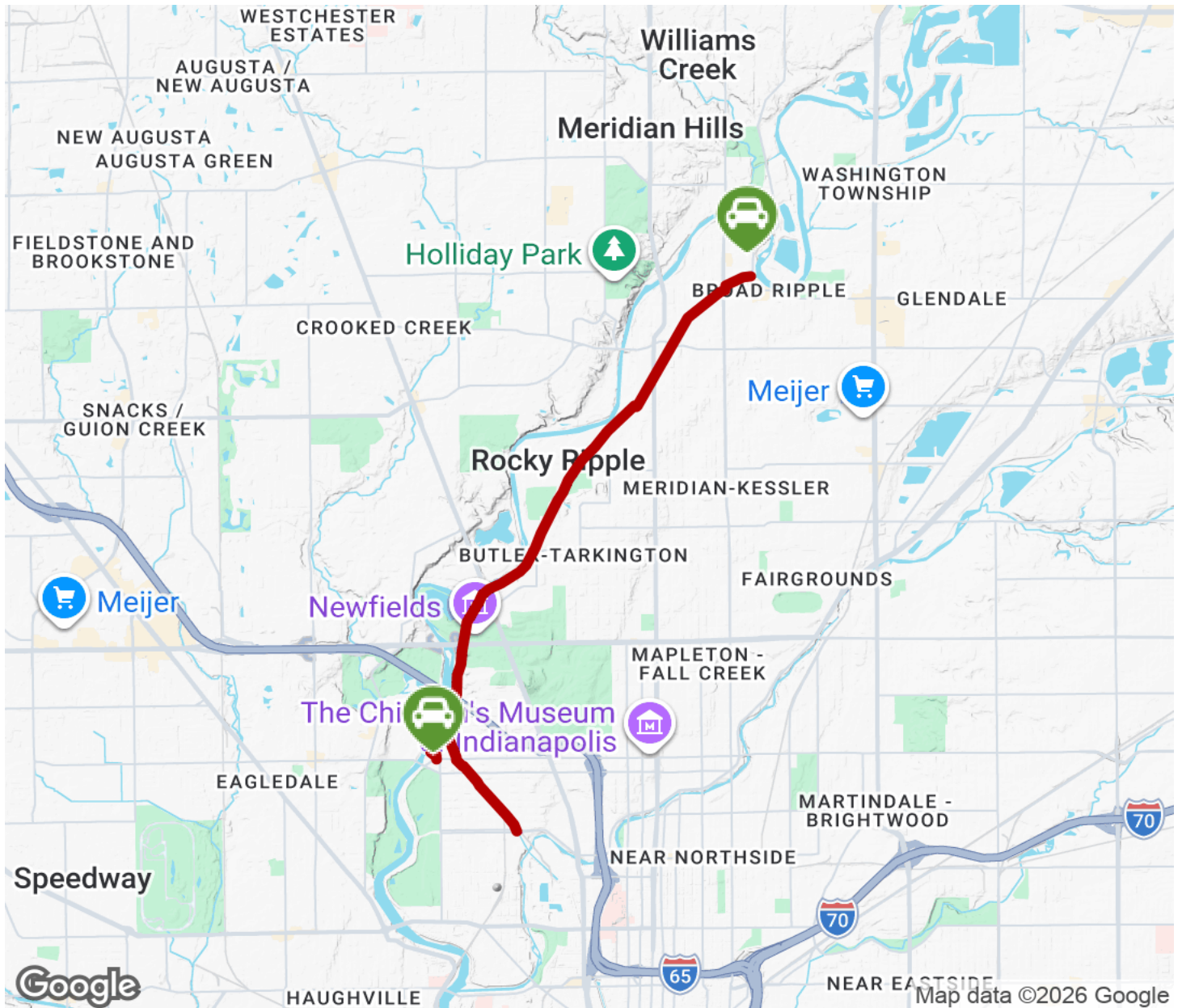
- Butler University, Bulldog Rd. (Indianapolis)

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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