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Guides



**Shooting Star  
State Trail**  
*Minnesota*



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the form of a Norwegian church has been erected as a rest stop in honor of Margie Meier, a staunch supporter of the trail. The scenic trail includes bike racks and rest benches in key places along the route.

After the church, the trail continues north and then west until reaching its northern terminus in Nicolville.

Restrooms and picnic areas are available in LeRoy, Lake Louise State Park, Taopi, and the Adam City Park and Campground on the west side of town.

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The eastern end of the trail begins in Le Roy, just 0.25 mile beyond Lake Louise State Park. The trail winds through open meadows and hardwood groves before emerging onto the agricultural fields to the west. The trail then skirts both the Mower County Natural and Scenic Area and the Shooting Star Prairie Scientific and Natural Area as it heads west through the communities of Taopi and Adams and, finally, to the western trailhead at Rose Creek.

Midway between Adams and Rose Creek, a memorial in



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**States:** Minnesota

**Counties:** Mower

Length: 24.3miles

**Trail end points:** 215st St. (Nicolville to W  
Lowell St. (Le Roy)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking, Cross

Country Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

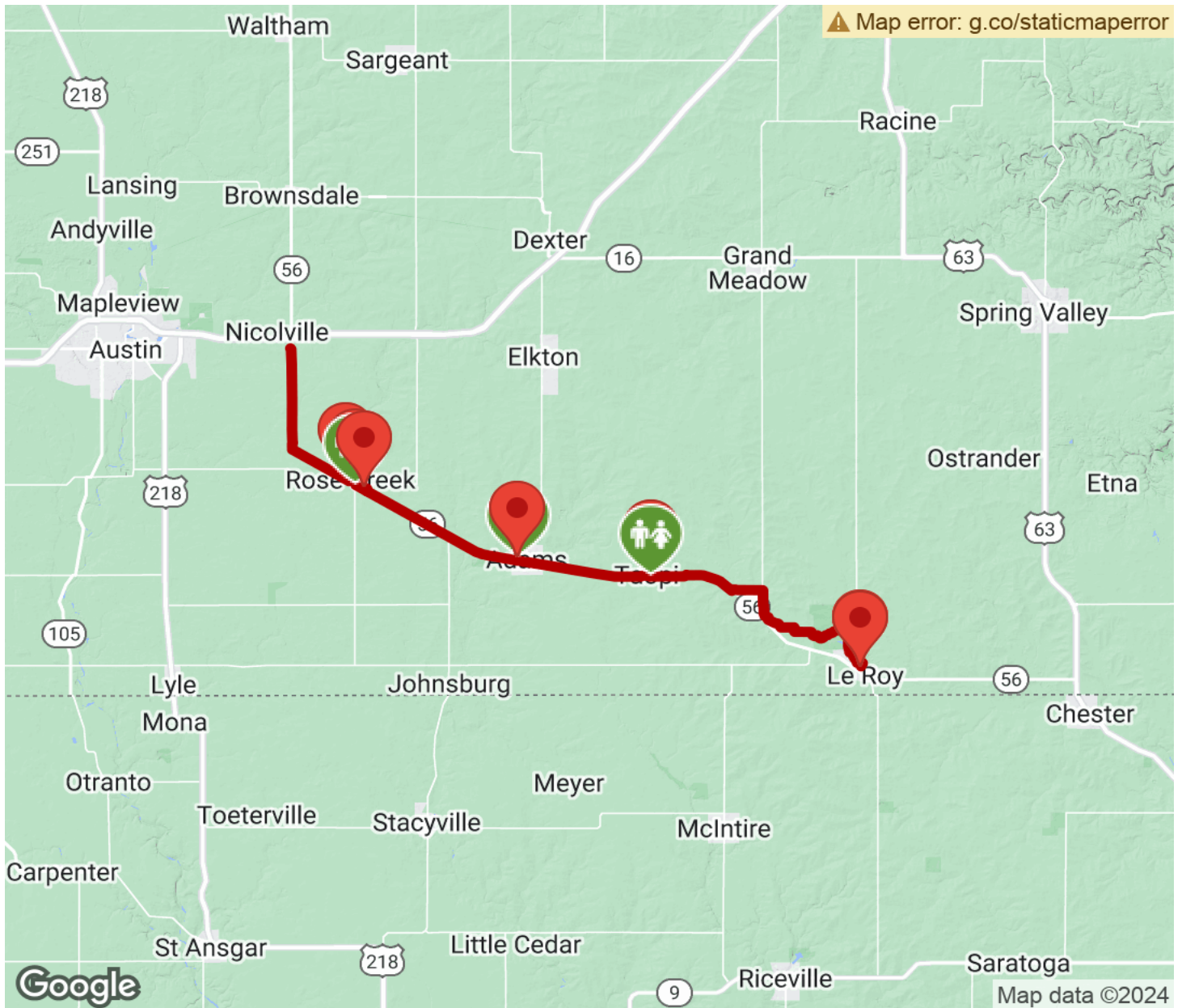
There are several parking options along the trailhead including in Le Roy, at the southern terminus along W Lowell St., Taopi between Main and Maple St, at the Adams Swimming Pool at 704 W Main St, and in Rose Creek along the Shooting Star Byway just south of 170th St.

See [TrailLink Map](#) for more options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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