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way to the Minnesota–Wisconsin state line, north of Route 3, the trail is a combination of bike routes on paved highway shoulders (mostly Wrenshall to Carlton) and off-road paved trail. The Carlton end joins with the main Hinckley–Duluth segment.

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The Alex Laveau Memorial Trail was named in honor of a county commissioner and dairy farmer who was a strong advocate for rails-to-trails projects. From Carlton all the



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States: Minnesota

Counties: Carlton

Length: 8.7miles

Trail end points: 3rd St./Co Rt. 1 (Carlton) to MN-WI State Line north of CR 4

Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Dirt,Gravel

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike,Snowmobiling,Walking,
Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

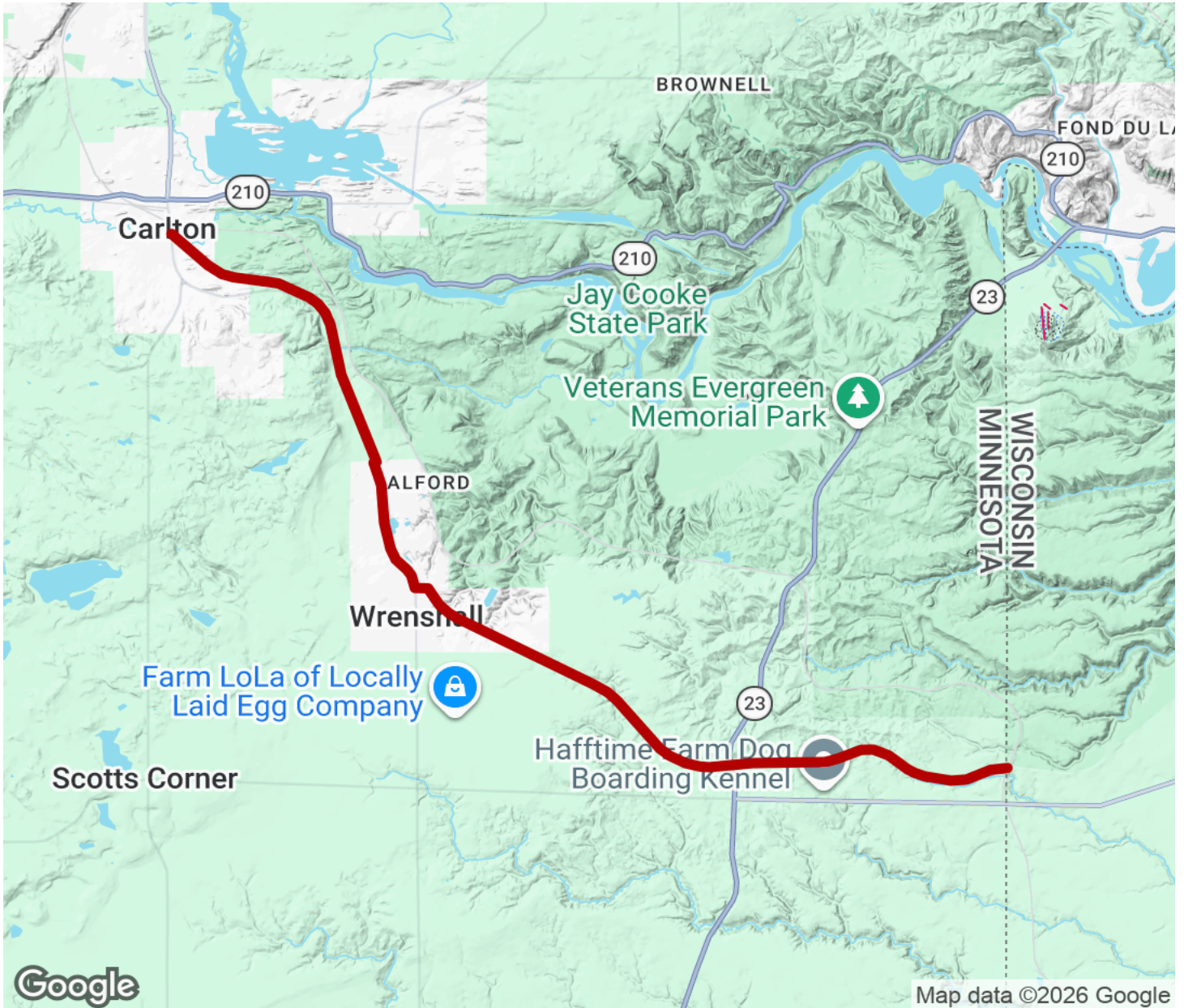
To access the Alex Laveau segment of the Willard Munger Trail in Carlton, park in the lot at the southeast corner of the intersection of North Avenue and County Route 1. Here, you can take the Hinckley–Duluth segment north and east, too. To get on the Alex Laveau segment, take 3rd St./Co Rt. 1 south, crossing the railroad tracks and the creek. The Alex Laveau Trail heads southeast, while the Hinckley–Duluth segment heads northwest (and quickly turns south again).

In Wrenshall, the trail follows Co Rt. 1 to Parkwood Dr. (left, then left again in a short distance to the off-road trail).



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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