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# Milwaukee Road Path Montana



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### About the Route

On the trail's western end, the route traverses a mix of commercial, light industrial, l and residential areas. The route connects to McCormick Park and Ogren Field, which is a hub for several local trails. East of the 'hub', the trail is often called the Kim Williams Nature Trail, as it passes through a namesake nature preserve.

The trail and preserve was named in memory of Kim

Williams, a long-time Missoula resident, in 1987. With a degree in human ecology from Cornell University, she was a naturalist with a knack for writing, publishing the book Eating Wild Plants (among others), and penning a nature column in The Missoulian. For more than a decade, she also frequently appeared as a guest commentator on the popular National Public Radio program "All Things Considered." The pathway runs by the University of Montana, where she earned a master's degree and taught classes on plants; today, the school offers a fellowship in her name for journalism students interested in the environment. The section through the nature preserve is a bit rougher in quality, whereas most of the rest of the rail is paved.

The Milwaukee Road Path comes to its eastern end at Deer Creek Rd.

### Connections

At the McCormick Park hub, trail users can connect to the <u>Bitterroot Trail</u>, which heads south, and the <u>Riverfront</u> <u>Trail</u> which heads northeast.

The Milwaukee Road Path is part of the Great American Rail Trail, a developing 3,700-mile route between Washington D.C. and Washington State.



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States: Montana Counties: Missoula Length: ómiles Trail end points: N Grove St. (Missoula) to Deer Creek Rd. (Missoula) Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Dirt,Gravel Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

## **Parking & Trail Access**

The Milwaukee Road Path runs between N Grove St. (Missoula) and Deer Creek Rd. (Missoula).

Parking is available at:

- McCormick Park, 600 Cregg Ln. (Missoula)
- 905 E Broadway St. (Missoula)

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.









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