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Guides



**Marion
Tallgrass
Trail**
Ohio



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Espyville Road to the trail's current end at Agosta-Meeker Road, this 3-mile section continues along the rail corridor through the Big Island Wildlife Area, offering even more opportunities to spot local flora and fauna. The trail stretches 12 miles west to the Hardin County line.

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From the large, east trailhead on Holland Road west to Espyville Road, this section is wooded and includes two restored railroad bridges. Near Herr Road, a large pond is immediately to the north of the trail, making it an excellent spot for bird watching. Indeed, bald eagles and trumpeter swans can often be found next to or above the trail, and there is a large beaver lodge in the center of the adjacent pond. A walking trail encircles the pond. From



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States: Ohio

Counties: Marion

Length: 12.4miles

Trail end points: 2093 Holland Rd W, Marion
to 1108-1208 Co Hwy 255, La Rue

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

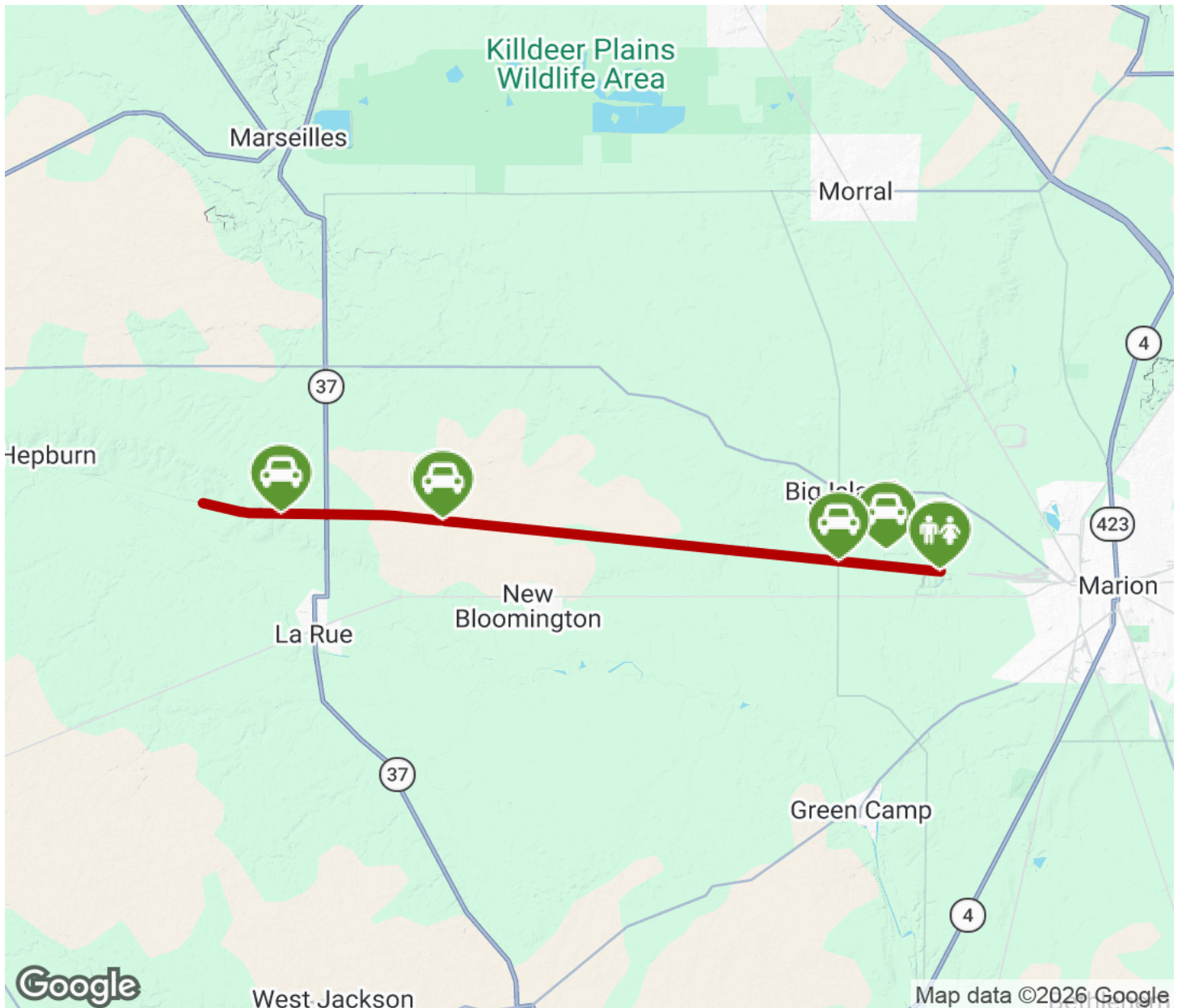
Parking can be found at several locations along the trail. Near the western end, there is a paved lot (1001 Decliff Rd N, La Rue) and a smaller one further west (774-1096 Township Hwy 16, La Rue). There is a paved parking lot at the eastern trailhead (2093 Holland Rd, Marion).

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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