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The trail traverses an area of one of the densest concentrations of lakes in the world. Converted railroad trestles glide across long spans of lakes covered in lily pads. During the warmer months, hikers and bikers hit the trail and take in the astounding lake vistas. Snowmobiles are permitted in winter, and many connecting trails provide endless hours of exploration.

Traveling north from Tomahawk on the Hiawatha Trail,

the trail is surrounded by glistening lakes and travel over expansive trestle bridges. At trail's end, trail users can continue for another 18 miles on the [Bearskin State Trail](#), where both trails meet at County Highway K just east of where it intersects with US 51. Cyclists and cross-country skiers over 16 years old will need a [state trail pass](#) to use the Bearskin.

The allure of these North Woods trails lies in their isolated, scenic charm. Parking and restroom facilities are located at Sara Lake Park in Tomahawk. And trail users won't have problems finding a motel or a good meal in the tourist town of Tomahawk. Continuing on the Bearskin Trail, there is only one remote restroom facility along the way and no other amenities or easy access to food and water until reaching Minocqua.



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States: Wisconsin

Counties: Lincoln

Length: 14 miles

Trail end points: Beach Rd. (Tomahawk) to SARA Park, 900 W Somo Ave. (Tomahawk)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail

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

Parking & Trail Access

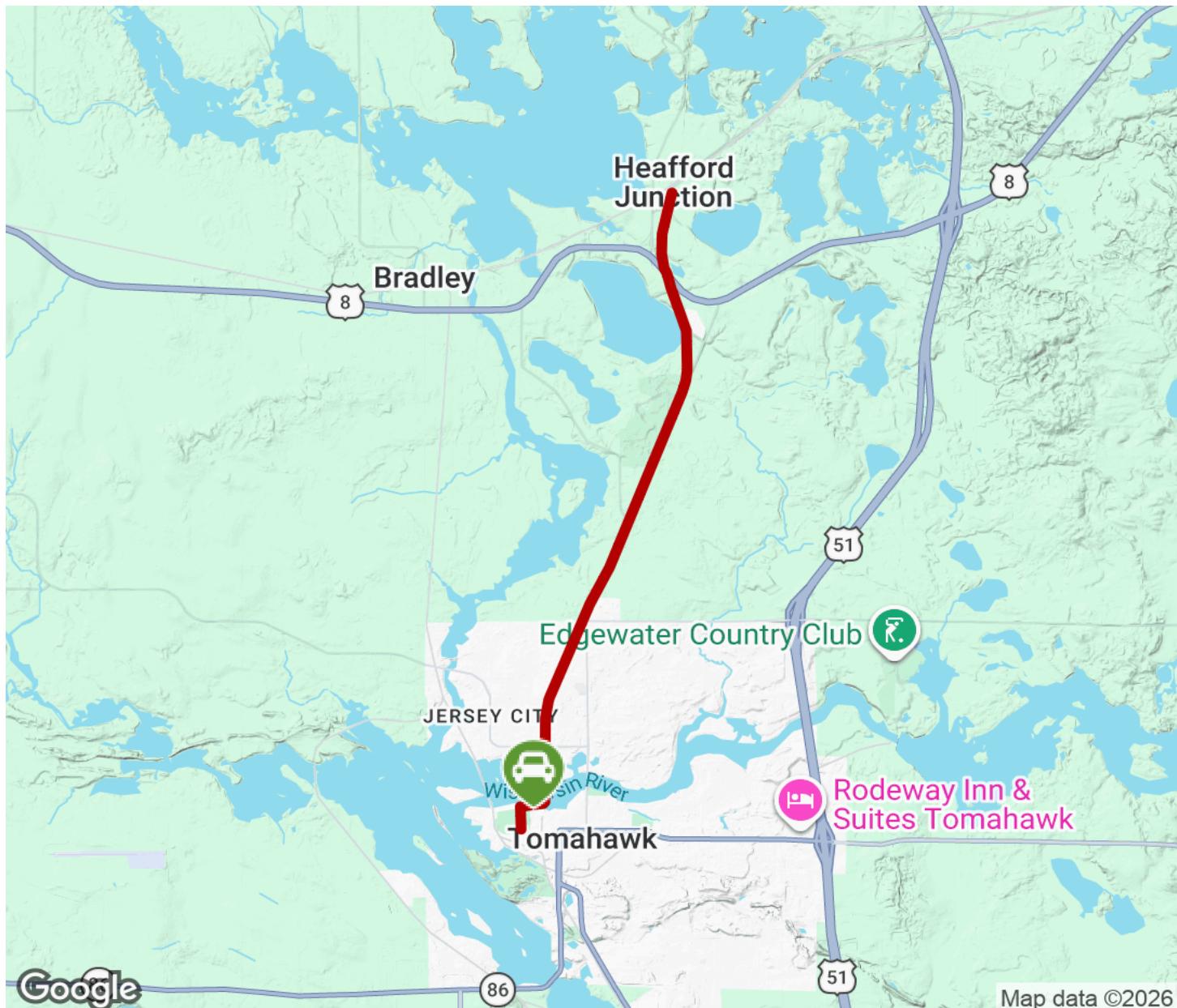
The Hiawatha Trail runs between Beach Rd. (Tomahawk) and SARA Park, 900 W Somo Ave. (Tomahawk), where parking is available.

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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