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Guides



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Tennessee, and North and South Carolina, and is marked by the OVHT blaze with the footprints inside of the logo.

Every section of the Yadkin River Greenway is color coded to aid emergency personnel and highlight the distinct characteristics of each one. The farthest western section is the W. Kerr Scott/Fish Dam Creek, which is the brown section, and starts at the parking area on the southeast side of the Yadkin River, then heads west and north, before continuing east over a bridge on Fish Dam Creek.

This trail is only 0.59 miles one-way, yet it connects with Dark Mountain trails around the reservoir and throughout the hilly and wooded area. Take the side trail to the Fish Dam Creek Overlook to access this area.

Currently made up of seven sections, the Yadkin River Greenway offers 8.2-miles of trails covering approximately 10 miles from the W. Kerr-Scott Dam through Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro, and ending at Smoot Park.

Even though it's not fully connected, yet, the route is recognized as part of the Overmountain Victory Historic Trail (OVHT) commemorating the march of the patriot militia who gathered in what is now Smoot Park and ultimately defeated the British during the campaign in 1780. The OVHT stretches 330 miles through Virginia,

The next section starts by following Old NC Hwy 268 to YMCA Boulevard to the blue section that starts at Lowe's Park at River's Edge. This 1.97 mile segment starts on the west side at the Wilkes YMCA and skirts along the north side of the multi-sport complex that includes a skate park, RC flying area, and BMX track along with restrooms and drinking fountains. There are also multiple access points to launch a kayak or fish in the river.

Where the blue section ends, the gold section, which is called Moravian Creek, follows the actual Moravian Creek for .15



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**States:** North Carolina

**Counties:** Wilkes

Length: 8.2miles

**Trail end points:** Smoot Park (106 Chestnut St, North Wilkesboro) to W Kerr Scott Trailhead (Ranger Rd & Old Hwy 268, Wilkesboro)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Crushed Stone, Dirt

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike, Fishing, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

## Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at multiple points along the route.

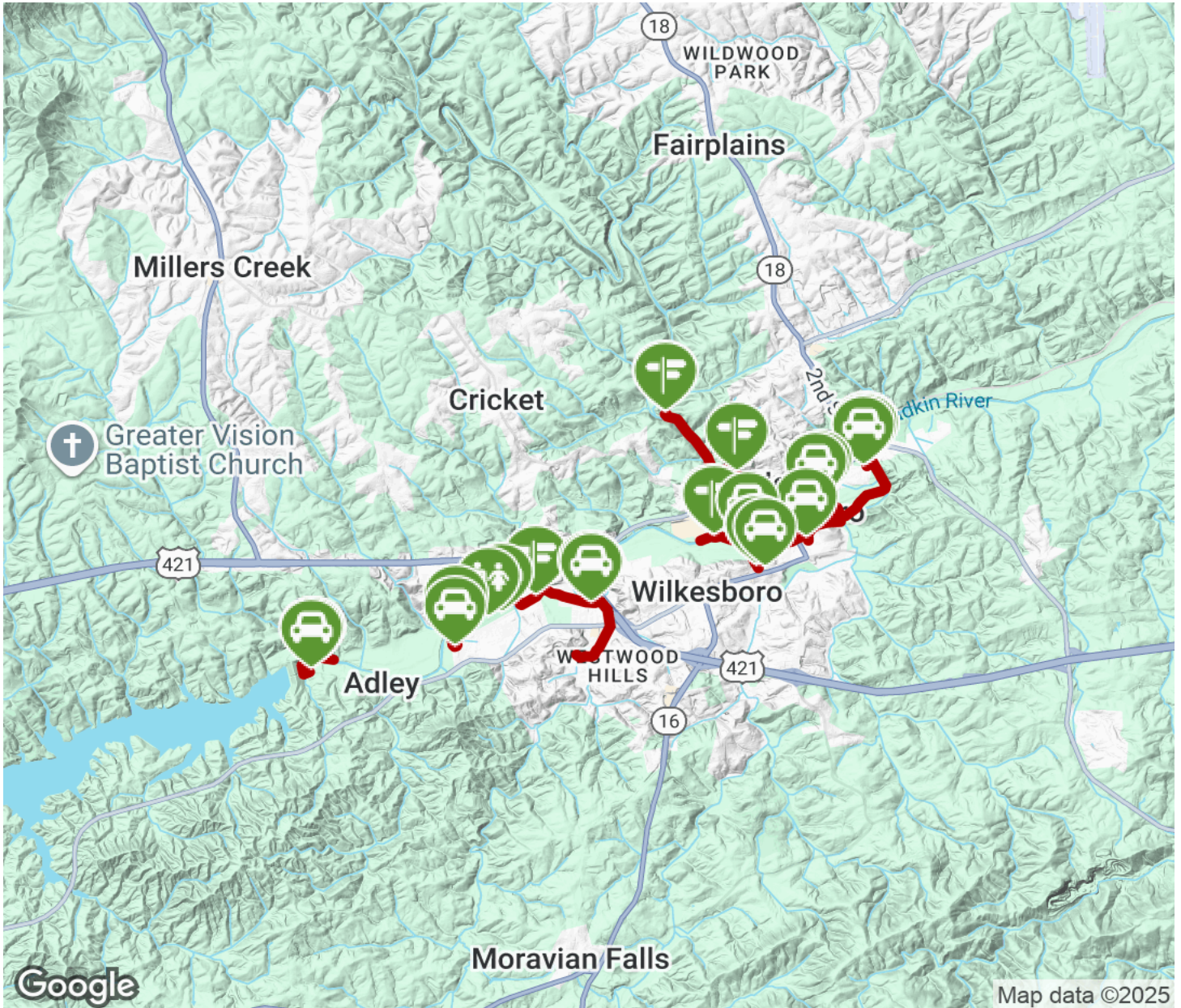
Locations include the W Kerr Scott Trailhead (Ranger Rd & Old Hwy 268, Wilkesboro), the Tyson trailhead behind Wilkes Heritage Museum in downtown Wilkesboro (Hwy 268 Business), at Lowes Rivers Edge Park, at Lowes Industrial Park (HWY 268 West), and at the Moravian Creek Trail access parking lot adjacent to the Wilkesboro Maintenance Department (just off Hwy 268 West).

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



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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