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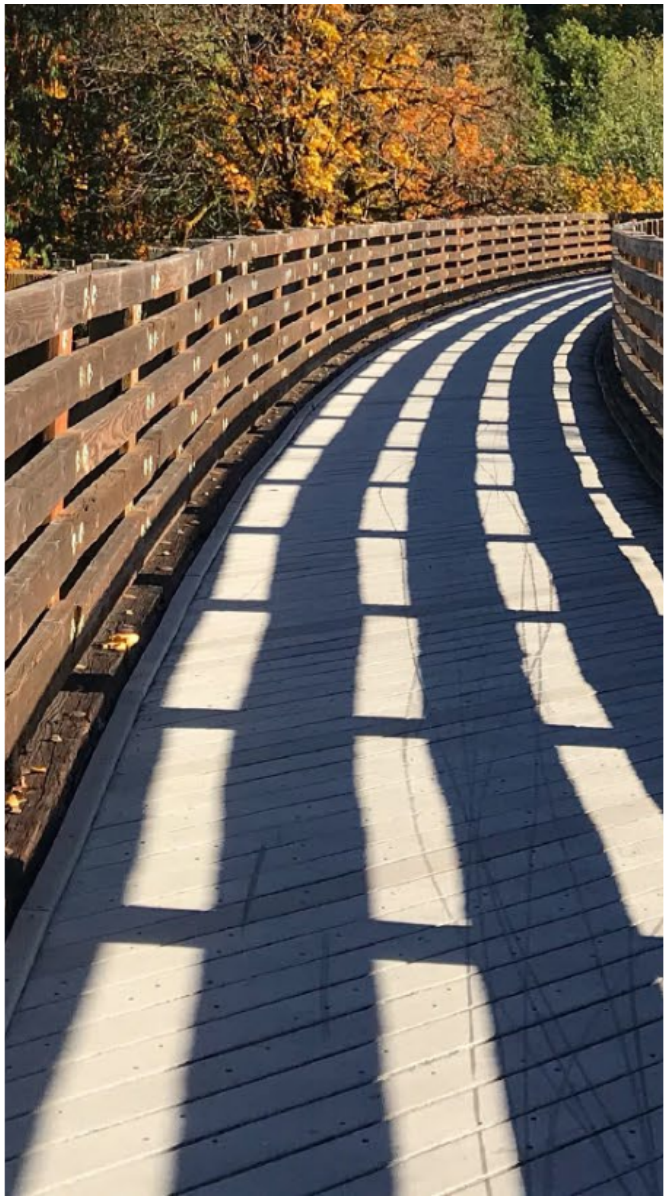

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Riverfront Trail heads over Union Street Railroad Bridge, a steel and timber trestle completed by Southern Pacific Railway in 1913. In 2004, the city of Salem bought the bridge from Union Pacific Railroad (later owners) for $1. It's now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

On the west side of the bridge is Wallace Marine Park, stretching more than 100 acres with opportunities to picnic and access the water by boat. The park also houses Star Complex, where many state, regional, and national sporting events are held.

In 2017, the Peter Courtney Minto Island Bridge opened on the south end of the Riverfront Trail, connecting it to another park, the Minto-Brown Island Park, on the other side of the Willamette Slough.

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States: Oregon

Counties: Marion

Length: 1.1miles

Trail end points: Wallace Road to Riverfront Park

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

Access the bridge from either Wallace Marine Park (200 Glen Creek Road NW) or Riverfront Park (200 Water Street NE) in Salem.

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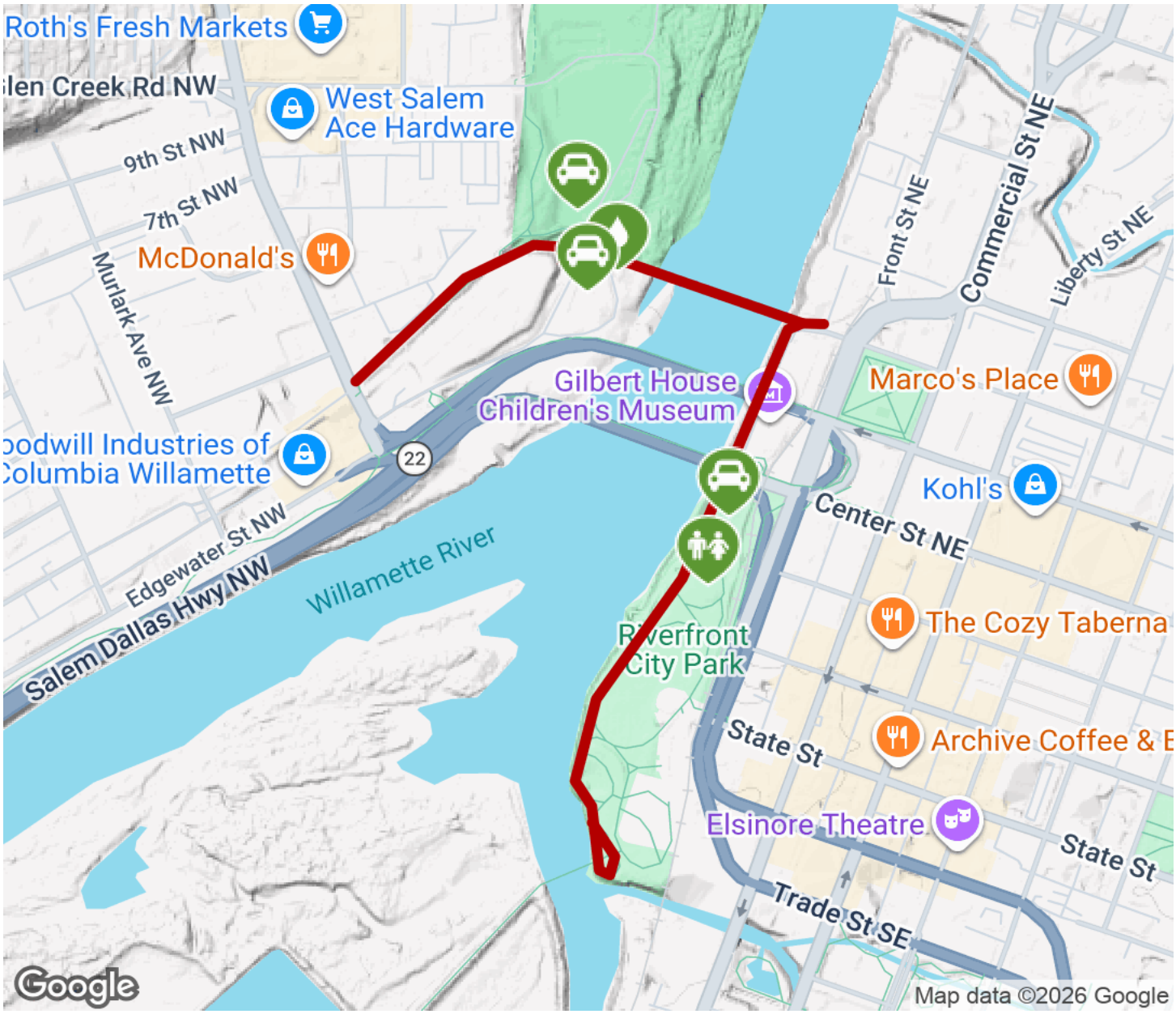

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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