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The Springwater Corridor comprises the southeast segment of the 40-mile Loop regional trail system encircling the greater Portland area. Today, the family-friendly Springwater Corridor follows the banks of the Willamette River from downtown Portland to Johnson Creek and then parallels Johnson Creek through neighborhoods, industrial districts, park refuges, and wetlands—eventually ending in the town of Boring. Portland's light rail and city buses enhance options and ease of travel along the route's length.

### About the Route

For a recreational tour, leave off from the Johnson Creek Boulevard trailhead; it provides ease of parking and avoids the on-road section, called the Sellwood Gap, between

13th and 19th Avenues. Sellwood Riverfront Park is an alternate access point and worth a visit for trail users who don't mind this bit of road section. The downtown access point at SE Fourth Avenue and SE Ivon Street is another option. To avoid an industrial section from mile 8, which is not well traveled during the week or at night, trail users may choose the trailhead east of the I-205 Multi-Use Path at Flavel Street.

The Johnson Creek Boulevard trailhead sits at mile 6. Trail users can backtrack a bit and cross the creek to find a natural area. At mile 9, trail users will cross the I-205 Multi-Use Path. Continuing east on the Springwater Corridor, trail users will go under I-205. Equestrian use is most common east of I-205, where a separate soft-surface path meanders away from the main trail where topography allows.

On the eastern half of the trail, trail users will reach the Beggars-Tick Wildlife Refuge at SE 111th Avenue. And a right onto SE 122nd Avenue leads to the 17-acre Leach Botanical Garden, which boasts more than 2,000 plant species. Just a little farther along is the 612-acre Powell Butte Nature Park, offering meadows, forests, and mammal and bird habitats enjoyed by hikers, mountain bikers, and horseback riders.

Trail users are then led through a hilly area toward the Cascade foothills, where they are encouraged to take in the grandeur of Mount Hood, which stands at 11,240 feet. The trail then crosses Johnson Creek (mile 13)—a serene spot (with covered benches) to rest your feet and relax. Farther along, trail users will reach Linnemann Station, after which they will intersect with the 3-mile Gresham Fairview Trail, which runs north and will eventually connect with Marine Drive in Portland. The path leads to Gresham's Main City Park at mile 16. Trail users may exit through the park to Powell Boulevard, where they can explore Gresham's pedestrian walkway in the shadow of Mount Hood. MAX, Portland's light rail, is accessible nearby. The trail ends 5 miles farther at State Route 212 in Boring.



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**States:** Oregon

**Counties:** Clackamas, Multnomah

Length: 21 miles

**Trail end points:** SE Ivon St (Portland) to SE Hwy 212 (Boring)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Horseback Riding, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

## Parking & Trail Access

The Springwater Corridor runs between SE Ivon St (Portland) and SE Hwy 212 (Boring).

Parking is available at:

- SE Oaks Park Way (Portland)
- SE Johnson Creek Blvd. (Portland)
- 28008 SE Dee St. (Boring)

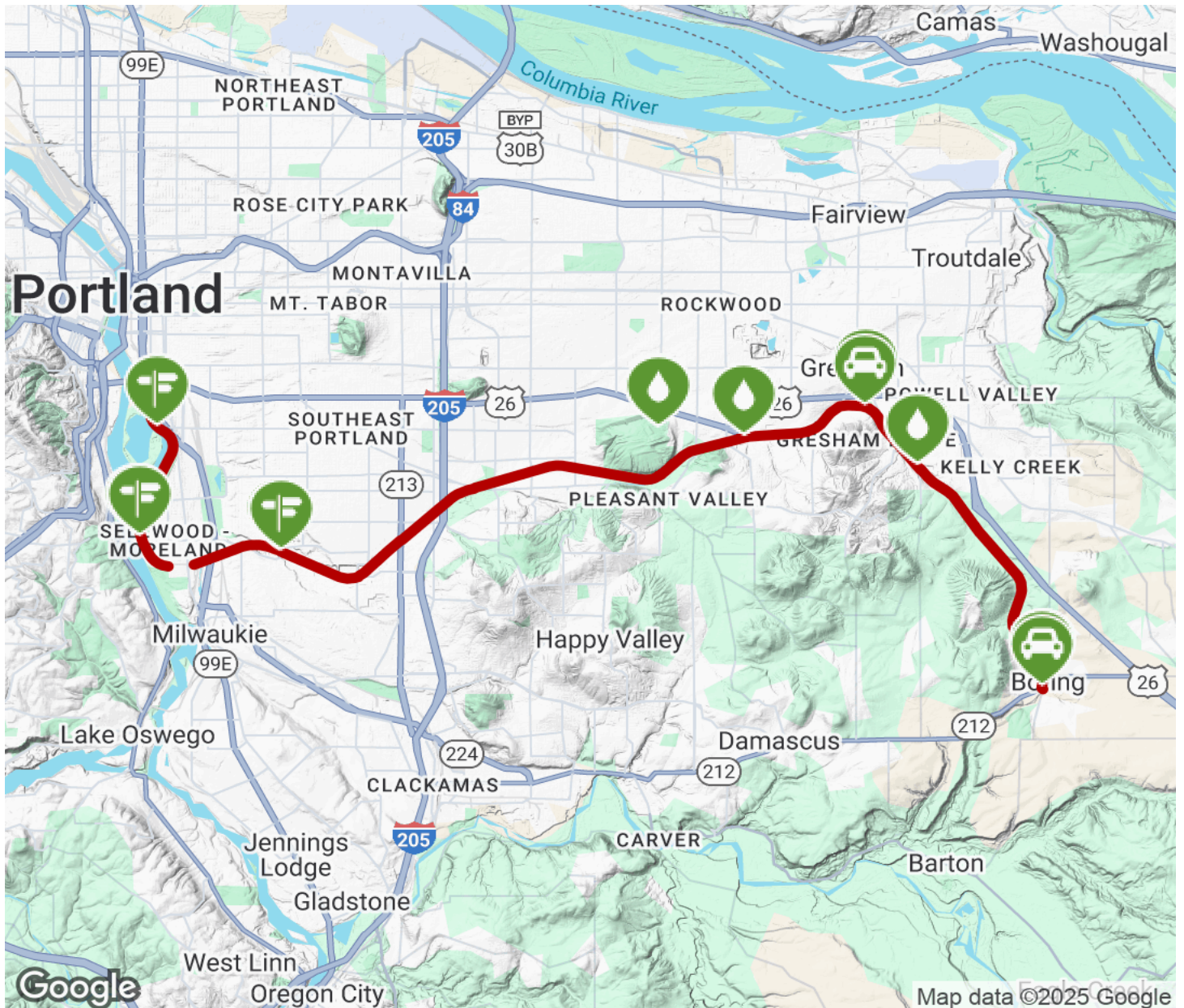
Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.





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- Trailhead
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