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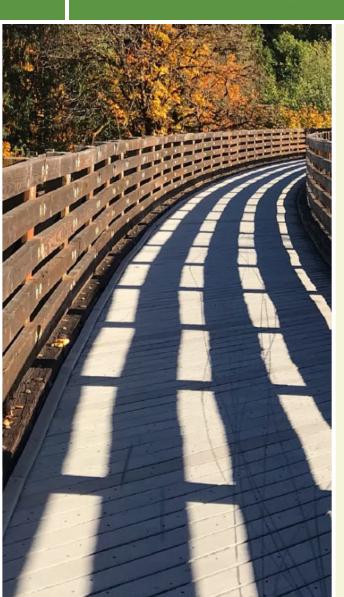


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Fish Lake Trail

Washington



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Leaving off in the north from the suburbs of Spokane, the Fish Lake Trail offers a great escape into serene, naturerich green spaces in the more rural vicinity of Cheney. Although it stops short of Fish Lake, a closer lake—Queen Lucas Lake—can be reached via the trail.

This 7.6-mile trail is perfect for anyone who wants to escape heavy vehicular traffic without venturing too far. The trail is ADA accessible, although there is a slight grade increase between Spokane and the trail's end about a mile north of Queen Lucas Lake. This scenic area was once home to the Spokane tribe, who were members of the Inland Salish Group.

About the Route

The northern Fish Lake Trailhead is located at the intersection of West Ninth Avenue and South Lindeke Street and provides ample parking with access to restrooms and drinking fountains. A few hundred feet south, the trail crosses the I-90 via a pedestrian bridge as you travel on the Union Pacific Railroad's old railbed paralleling US 195.

Soon the surrounding suburbs are largely hidden from sight, and any trailside development fades away after crossing West 16th Avenue on another bridge. Pockets of exposed rock are visible along the trail, which begins to veer away from US 195 at about mile 1.25.

At mile 2.15, there are stop signs and an at-grade crossing at South Marshall Road. The trail then crosses the road again in a mile on an overpass, and soon the trail begins to run parallel with Cheney Spokane Road through a 0.5-mile-wide rural valley carved by Marshall Creek. Expect to see a few horses grazing in pastures among the farm buildings.

This section of trail offers wide views of the surrounding countryside amid towering ponderosa pines, as well as the first glimpse over active railroad corridors along the trail. Beginning at mile 5.5, the trail passes between two railroads. The route traces them for another 2 miles through the small community of Marshall to the official end of the trail at a trailhead on South Scribner Road.

Just past that trailhead, another mile of paved trail takes trail users to Queen Lucas Lake, which has plenty of benches and is a picturesque stop for lunch before heading back to the Scribner Road or Lindeke Street Trailhead.





States: Washington **Counties:** Spokane Length: 7.6miles

Trail end points: W. Ninth Ave. (Spokane) to S

Scribner Rd. (Cheney) **Trail surfaces:** Asphalt **Trail category:** Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross

Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Fish Lake Trail runs between W. Ninth Ave. (Spokane) and S Scribner Rd. (Cheney), with parking available at either end of the trail.

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.



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