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open fields, picnic shelters, a large pond, playgrounds and a popular zoo. Trail users can also connect to both the [Genesee Riverway Trail](#) and the [Irondequoit Lakeside Multi-Use Trail](#) within the park.

At the El Camino Trail's southern end, a new small park (located at the intersection of Conkey and Clifford Avenues) has served as a natural community space for the neighborhood since it opened in 2010.

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Part of the trail's unusual name refers to the former name (Butterhole) of the neighborhood from its time as a predominantly German enclave of Rochester. The neighborhood was supposedly named for the dairy farms that once dominated the area. At the trail's northern end, the Frederick Law Olmsted-designed Seneca Park offers



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States: New York

Counties: Monroe

Length: 2.3miles

Trail end points: Genesee Riverway Trail at St. Paul Blvd. in Seneca Park to St. Paul St. and Scrantom St.

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Walking

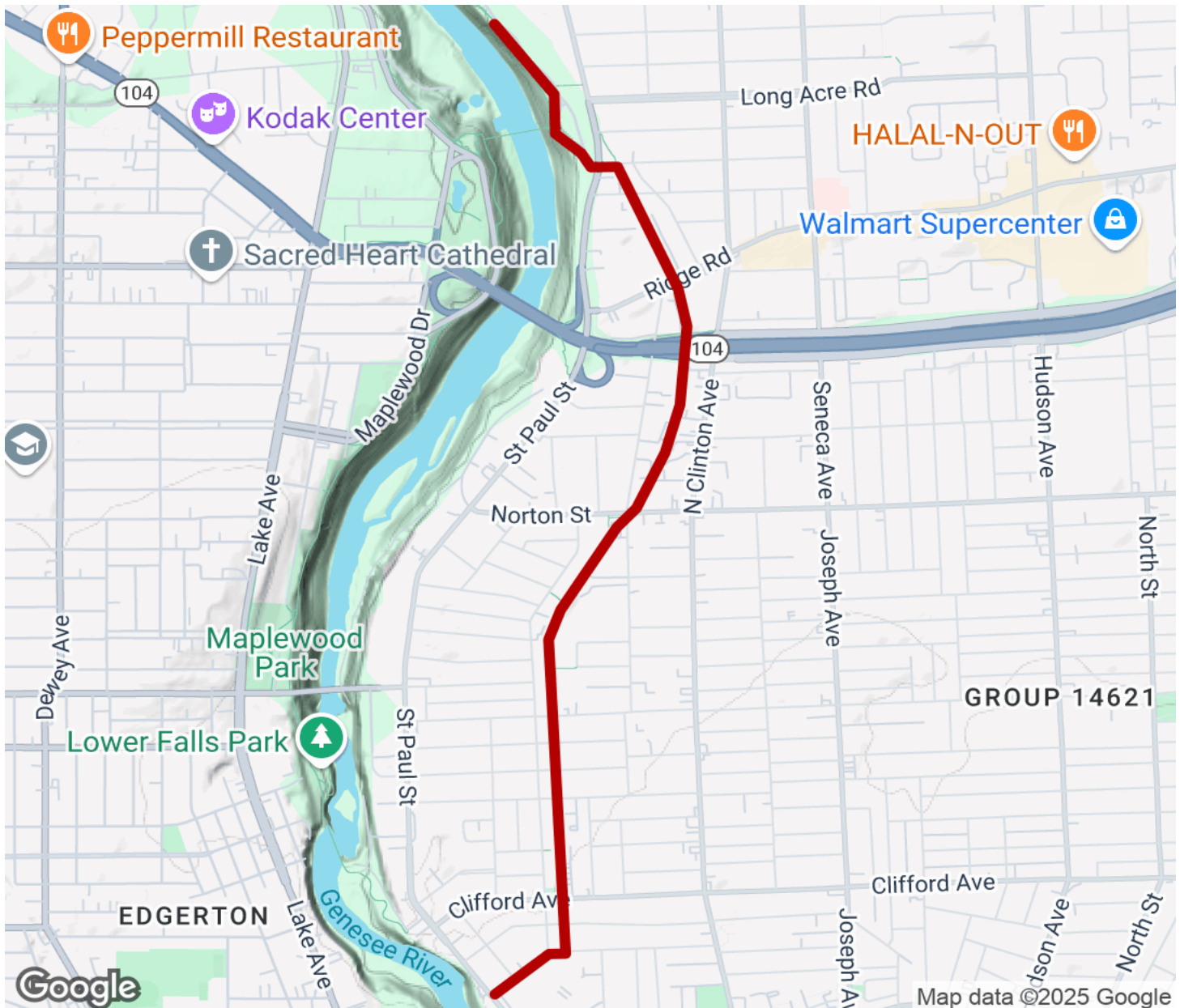
Parking & Trail Access

Parking for the El Camino Trail can be found in Seneca Park. Access the park from directly opposite the intersection of St. Paul Boulevard and Collingwood Drive; the parking lot is a short drive north. From the parking lot, take the Genesee Riverway Trail south, and do not cross the bridge. The El Camino Trail is located south of the bridge on the same bank as Seneca Park.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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