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Museum, housed in a restored 1920 depot, offers visitors the chance to explore old railcars, view railroad artifacts, and operate model trains.

Connections

The trail is part of a regional 125-mile trail network named after Fred Meijer, the grocery magnate and philanthropist who supported the development of the trails. In Ionia, the CIS Trail connects to the [Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail](#), which continues 16 miles west to Lowell.

In Lowell, the trail connects to the [Fred Meijer Flat River Valley Trail](#) to travel north 22 miles to Greenville, and, from Greenville, continue the journey north and east 41 miles to Alma on the [Fred Meijer Heartland Trail](#).

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The Fred Meijer Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee (CIS) Rail Trail stretches 41 miles between the mid-Michigan towns of Ionia and Owosso, offering a mix of pastoral and wooded landscapes. It crosses three counties and also passes through St. Johns, Ovid, Fowler, Pewamo, and Muir; the trail is paved in the towns and crushed limestone in between.

About the Route

As it traces the path of the former Central Michigan Railroad, the rail trail crosses nine trestles and has a replica train station as a trailhead in Pewamo. And, just off the trail in St. Johns, the Clinton Northern Railway



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States: Michigan

Counties: Clinton, Ionia, Shiawassee

Length: 41.3 miles

Trail end points: Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail (Ionia) to W. Main St. (Owosso)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Fred Meijer Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee Trail runs between Fred Meijer Grand River Valley Rail Trail (Ionia) and W. Main St. (Owosso).

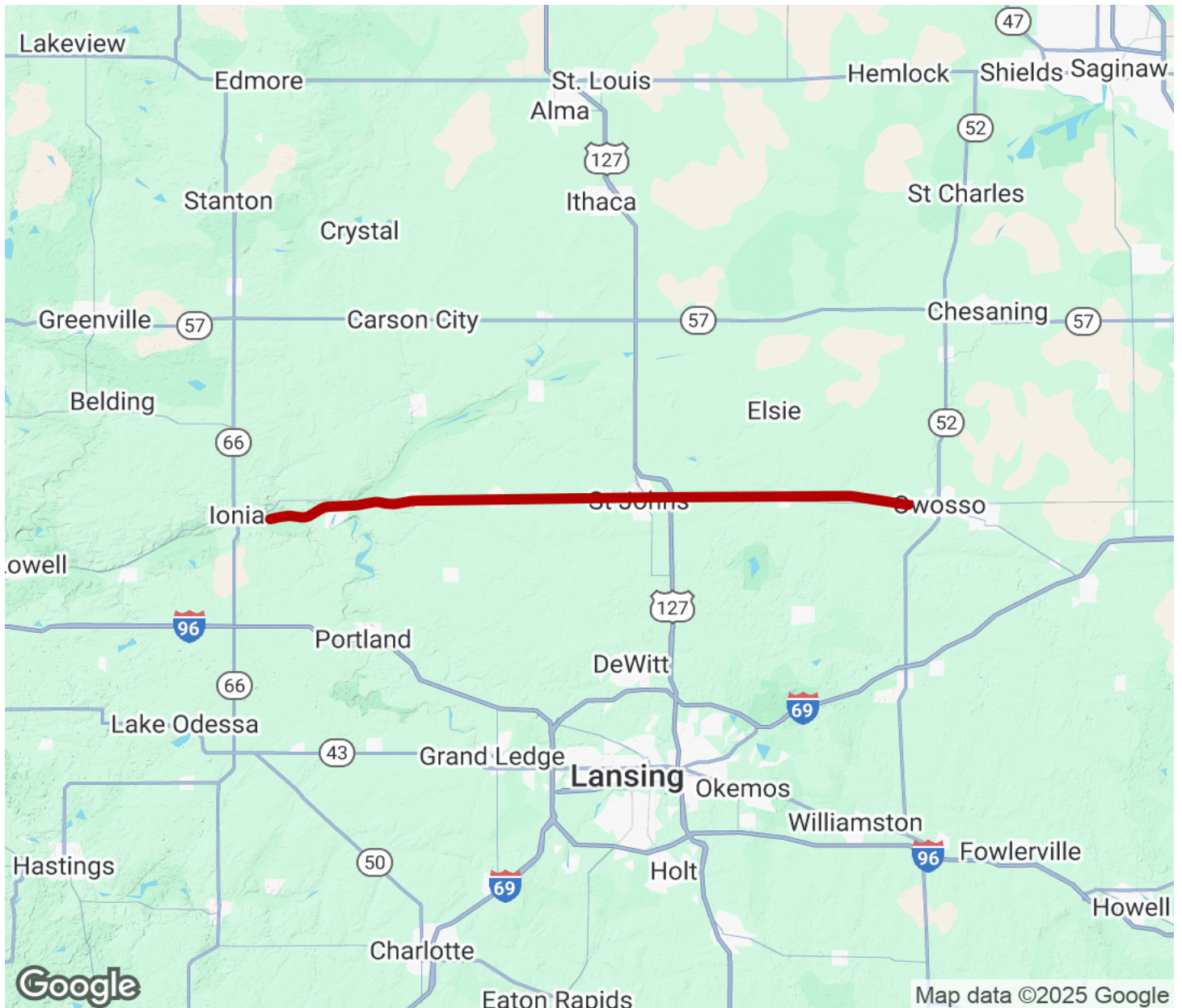
Parking is available in each major town along the route: Ionia, Muir, Pewamo, Fowler, St. Johns, and Ovid. These are not official addresses.

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



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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