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## 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](#).

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 Museum, housed in a restored 1920 depot, offers visitors the chance to explore old railcars, view railroad artifacts,



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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.

