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Guides



John Husar
I&M Canal
Trail
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The paved trail runs through preserved forest on the southern bank of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, which replaced the older canal in 1900. At State Route 83, trail users can connect directly to the [Centennial Trail](#). That trail continues farther south to Romeoville using the opposite side of the canal, where it links with the northern portion of the nearly 70-mile [Illinois & Michigan Canal State Trail](#).



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States: Illinois

Counties: Cook

Length: 8.9miles

Trail end points: Kingery Highway S/SR 83 just north of Archer Ave/SR 171 to South La Grange Rd/US 12/US 45 northeast of I-294

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Canal

Trail activities: Bike,Inline

Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible,Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

Parking for the John Husar I&M Canal Trail can be found in a dedicated lot below Willow Springs Road in Willow Springs.



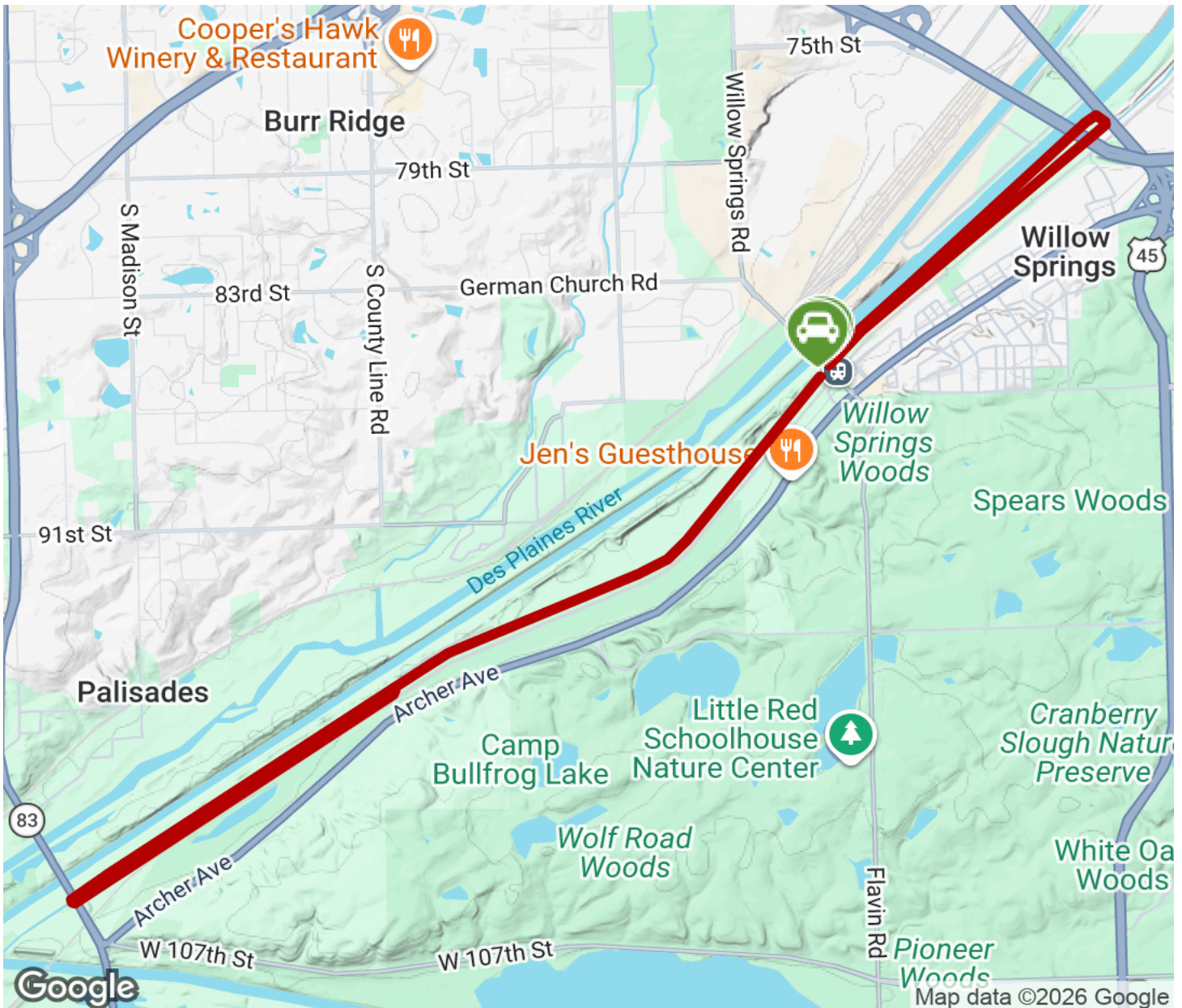
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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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