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Guides



**Southern  
Links  
Trailway**  
*Michigan*



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a mixed rural landscape, including fields, wetlands, forests and farmland. Local wildlife such as rabbits, chipmunks, woodchucks, frogs and turtles all call the area home, and fleeting encounters between the animals and trail users are not uncommon.

Restaurants in the small communities of Millington, Otter Lake and Columbiaville welcome trail users with friendly service and great food. An active friends group is responsible for keeping the Southern Links Trailway in pristine condition, so be sure to thank volunteers as you encounter them on this great trail.

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Trail users will have to trek uphill whether starting at the trailhead in Columbiaville or Millington—the midpoint just north of Otter Lake is the high elevation mark. Fortunately, because the trail's corridor was once home to a railroad, the climb is gradual. Weary trail users will appreciate the downhill slope for the remainder of the one-way trip.

Most of the trail's route is tree-lined, and the colors are spectacular in the fall months. Views from the trail feature



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**States:** Michigan

**Counties:** Genesee, Lapeer, Tuscola

Length: 10.2 miles

**Trail end points:** Water St. and 1st St.  
(Columbiaville) to Millington Community  
Schools at Cardinal Dr. and Gleason St.  
(Millington)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Woodchips

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline  
Skating, Fishing, Wheelchair

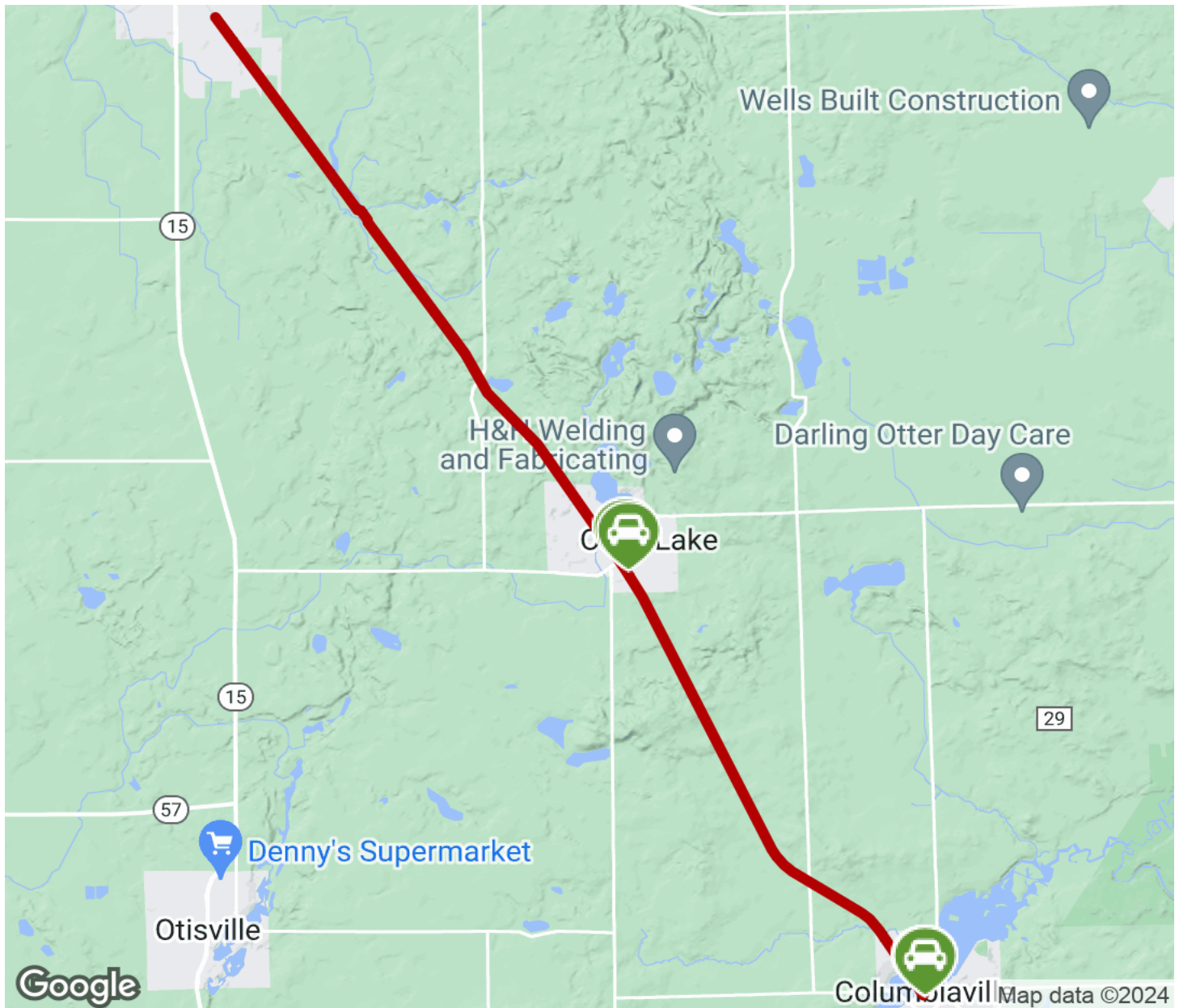
## Parking & Trail Access

Parking for the Southern Links Trailway is available at trailheads in Columbiaville on Water Street; Otter Lake on Detroit Street; and Millington at the school complex on Gleason Street.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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