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The Trolley Trail is a nearly 7-mile multi-use path connecting Milwaukie and Gladstone in Clackamas County. It occupies the former corridor of the Portland Traction Company's Oregon City Line streetcar, which served the Portland suburbs of Milwaukie and Gladstone between 1893 and 1968. The rail trail got underway in 2001 when Metro (a regional government agency serving portions of Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties) and the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District acquired the right-of-way. The trail opened in 2012.

The Trolley Trail is part of a planned 20-mile loop connecting the Springwater Corridor (see page 97) and the I-205 Multi-Use Path (see page 81). At both ends of this trail, you'll be rewarded with scenic river views: the

Willamette River at the north end and the Clackamas River at the south end.

The best place to begin your journey is Milwaukie Bay Park on the trail's north end. The 8.5-acre waterfront park provides parking, restrooms, and scenic river views, whetting your appetite for the rest of the journey. (The trail technically begins 1.3 miles farther north at Southeast 17th Avenue and Southeast Ochoco Street, but there are no amenities there, so it's best to begin at the park. If you bike to the northernmost endpoint, you'll be able to connect to the Springwater Corridor at Southeast Ochoco Street.) There are other paths within the park, but the Trolley Trail is the one that runs adjacent to McLoughlin Boulevard, first as wide concrete pavement, then quickly transitioning to asphalt.

Not far from the park, the trail ducks under a railroad-turned-pedestrian bridge that connects McLoughlin Boulevard to Kellogg Creek Park and the Kronberg Park Multiuse Trail. You'll soon encounter the first of many road crossings along this path. On busier streets, the crossings are signalized, whereas on quieter streets, stop signs and crosswalks suffice. The trail then parallels the MAX light rail line for about half a mile, providing bike and pedestrian access to the MAX station along Park Avenue. Ample signage provides wayfinding directions and keeps you abreast of your progress.

The trail continues within a vibrant green corridor, passing through residential neighborhoods boasting historic homes across various eras and trends. It is a treasured community amenity; you will observe neighbors pouring onto the trail on their daily jogs, pushing strollers, or walking their dogs.

A 0.7-mile section of the route through downtown Oak Grove runs on-road along Southeast Arista Avenue, from Southeast Courtney Avenue almost to Southeast Creighton Avenue, but it is a low-speed street. In Oak Grove's commercial district, eateries tempt you off the trail. These establishments feature names that reflect both the area's railroad history and its



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States: Oregon

Counties: Clackamas

Length: 6.9miles

Trail end points: SE 17th Ave. (Milwaukie) to
Charles Ames Memorial Park (Gladstone)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Concrete

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The Trolley Trail runs between SE 17th Ave. (Milwaukie) and Charles Ames Memorial Park (Gladstone).

Parking is also available at:

- 11211 SE McLoughlin Blvd. (Milwaukie)
- Stringfield Family Park, 3614 SE Naef Rd. (Oak Grove)

Please see TrailLink Map for all parking options and detailed directions.



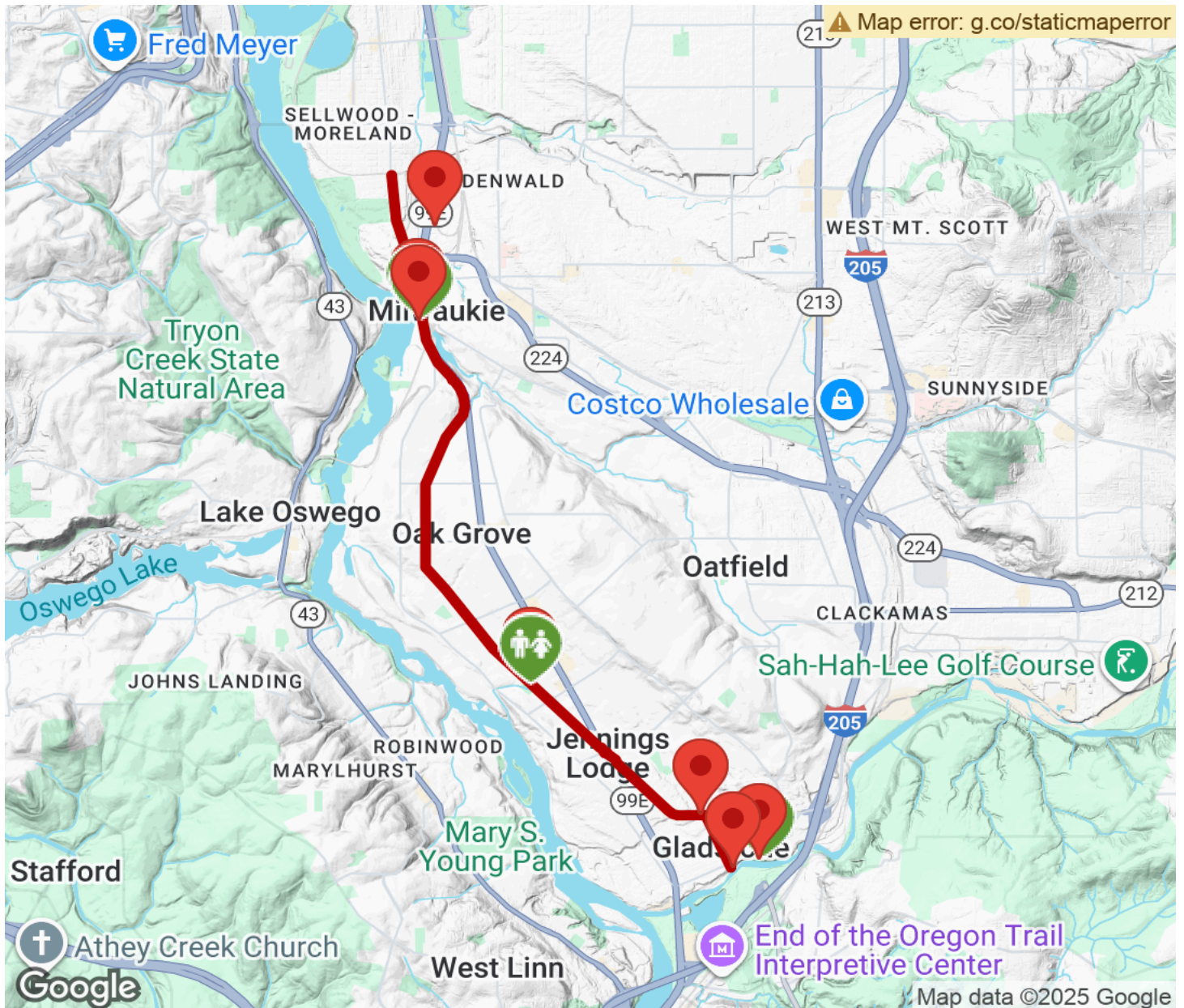
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Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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