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Guides



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Connections

In the north, the unpaved path continues along the South Canal as the [Southern Canal Path](#), in turn providing access to the massive [Arizona Canal Path](#) in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Take that trail westward to reach Scottsdale and Glendale.

At Crossroads District Park (2155 E Knox Rd, Gilbert), the trail connects to the [Baseline Road to Eastern Canal Path](#).

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About the Route

The northern end of the trail is on E McDowell Rd in Mesa. The path follows the canal as it meanders south through a mix of residential and commercial areas. The trail is paved asphalt between Old Gilbert Rd (Mesa) and E Brown St (Mesa). The southern end of the trail is on S Gilbert Rd in Chandler.



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States: Arizona

Counties: Maricopa

Length: 18.06miles

Trail end points: E McDowell Rd (Mesa) to S Gilbert Rd (Chandler)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Dirt,Gravel

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike,Inline

Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The Eastern Canal Path runs between E McDowell Rd (Mesa) and S Gilbert Rd (Chandler).

Parking is available at:

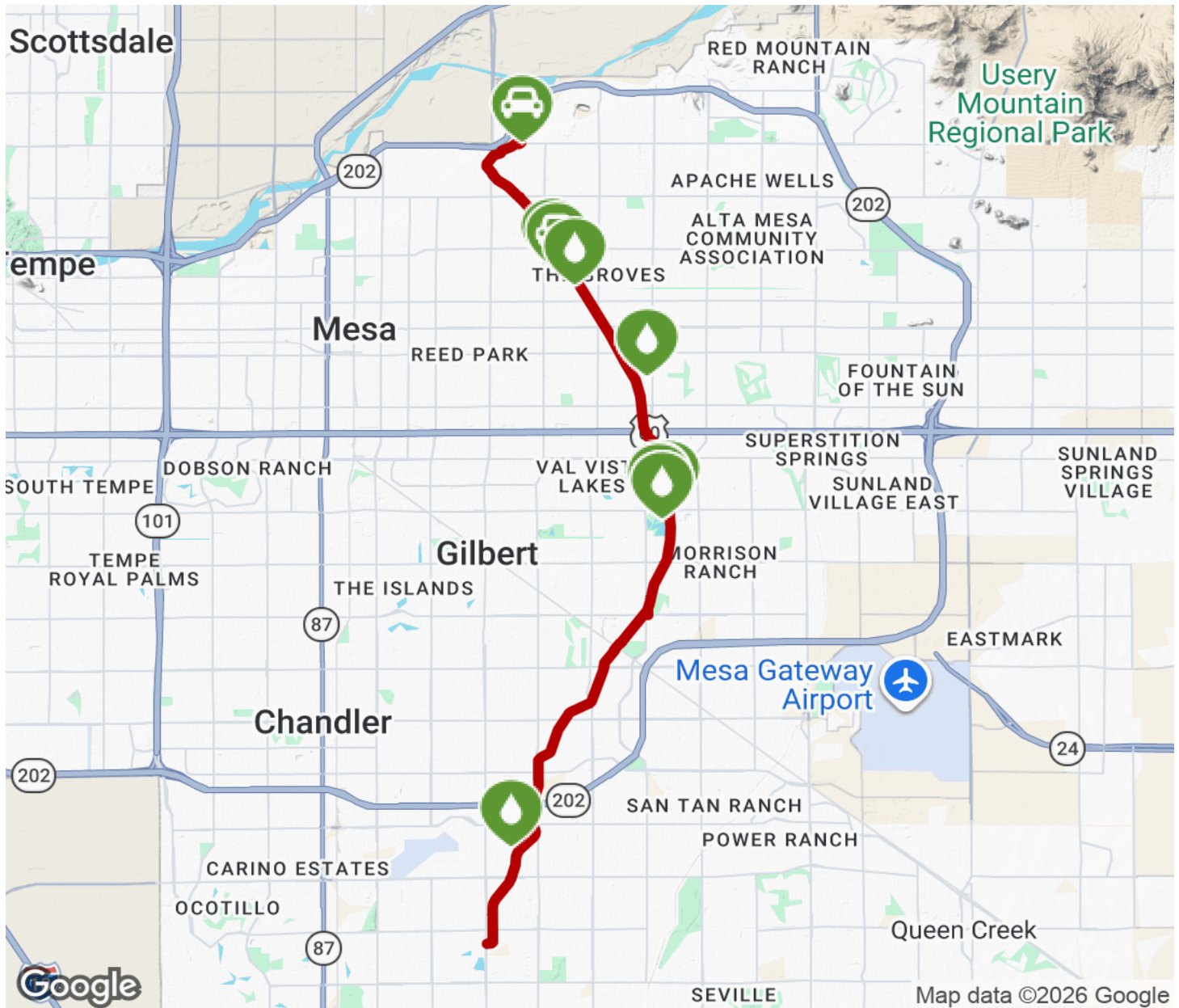
- Shepherders Park, 2455 E McDowell Rd (Mesa)
- Greenfield Park, 4105 E Diamond Ave (Mesa)
- Riparian Preserve at Water Ranch, 2757 E Guadalupe Rd (Gilbert)

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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