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Guides



**Companion to
the Santa Fe
Trail**
Kansas



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The current trail offers scenic views of the surrounding prairie in the largest tract of public land in Kansas. Check out the nearby [Turkey Trail](#) for a similar experience.



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States: Kansas

Counties: Morton

Length: 18miles

Trail end points: Cimarron National Grassland
to Cimarron National Grassland

Trail surfaces: Dirt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Horseback Riding, Mountain
Biking, Walking

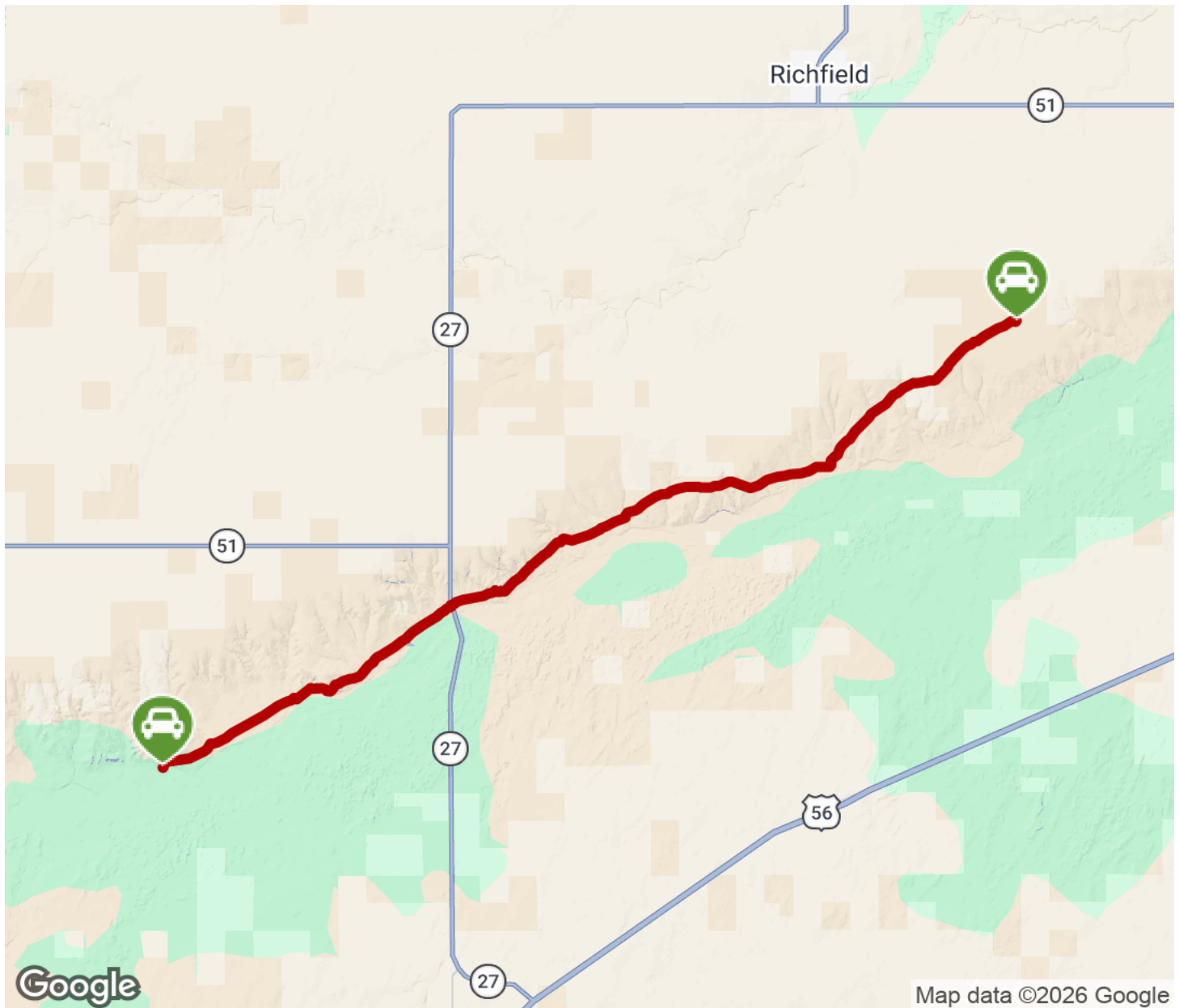
Parking & Trail Access

From Elkhart, Kansas, take State Route 27 north just a few miles to reach the Companion to the Santa Fe Trail's midpoint.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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