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Calumet Trail Indiana



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About the Route

The dirt and crushed limestone Calumet Trail stretches between two interesting natural features: the Cowles Bog, an 8,000-year-old marsh, and Mount Baldy, a 123-foot-tall sand dune.

The route parallels the South Shore Rail Line, which carries passengers from Chicago to South Bend and passes through residential and commercial areas, including a unique and unexpected sight: the Bailly Power Generator. The 4.5-mile section between County Line Road and Mount Baldy was newly paved in 2024, with plans to have the full 9mile trail completely paved by 2025.

Connections

At its western end, the trail connects with the <u>Porter</u> <u>Brickyard Trail</u>, a mostly on-route section that traverses the park north-south. Where the Calumet Trail passes the Dune Park station of the South Shore Line, it also connects with the <u>Dunes Kanakee Trail</u>, which takes trail users to Porter Beach.







States: Indiana Counties: Porter Length: 9.1miles Trail end points: 1050 N Mineral Springs Rd. (Dune Acres) to County Line Rd. (Town of Pines) Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Crushed Stone Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT Trail activities: Bike,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Calumet Trail runs between 1050 N Mineral Springs Rd. (Dune Acres) and County Line Rd. (Town of Pines), with parking at either end.

Parking is also available at:

• 525 S Broadway (Beverly Shores)

Trail access is available via. public transit via the South Shore Line.

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.



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