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About the Route

The Awendaw Passage is the coastal terminus of the Palmetto Trail, which reaches its endpoint at the Intracoastal Waterway. The trail offers sweeping views of the salt marsh and includes an overlook and boardwalk at Walnut Grove. A short portion of the trail's western end follows an old railroad corridor.

This section of the Palmetto Trail is rough and unimproved. Nearly the entire trail is constructed on gravel, woodchips, and even dirt. The trail is also nearly entirely wooded and rural, except for a short segment where the route crosses Rte. 17 and shares the road with Rosa Green Rd. for a short section. The rural character of the route offers a scenic trail experience for all trail users.

Connections

The trail continues west from the Steed Creek Trailhead as the [Swamp Fox Passage](#), another segment of the Palmetto Trail.



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States: South Carolina

Counties: Charleston

Length: 7.1miles

Trail end points: 7476 Hwy 17 (McClellanville) to 990 Buckhall Landing Rd (McClellanville)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone,Dirt,Gravel,Sand

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Fishing,Mountain Biking,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Awendaw Passage (Palmetto Trail) runs between 7476 Hwy 17 (McClellanville) and 990 Buckhall Landing Rd (McClellanville), with parking at either endpoint.

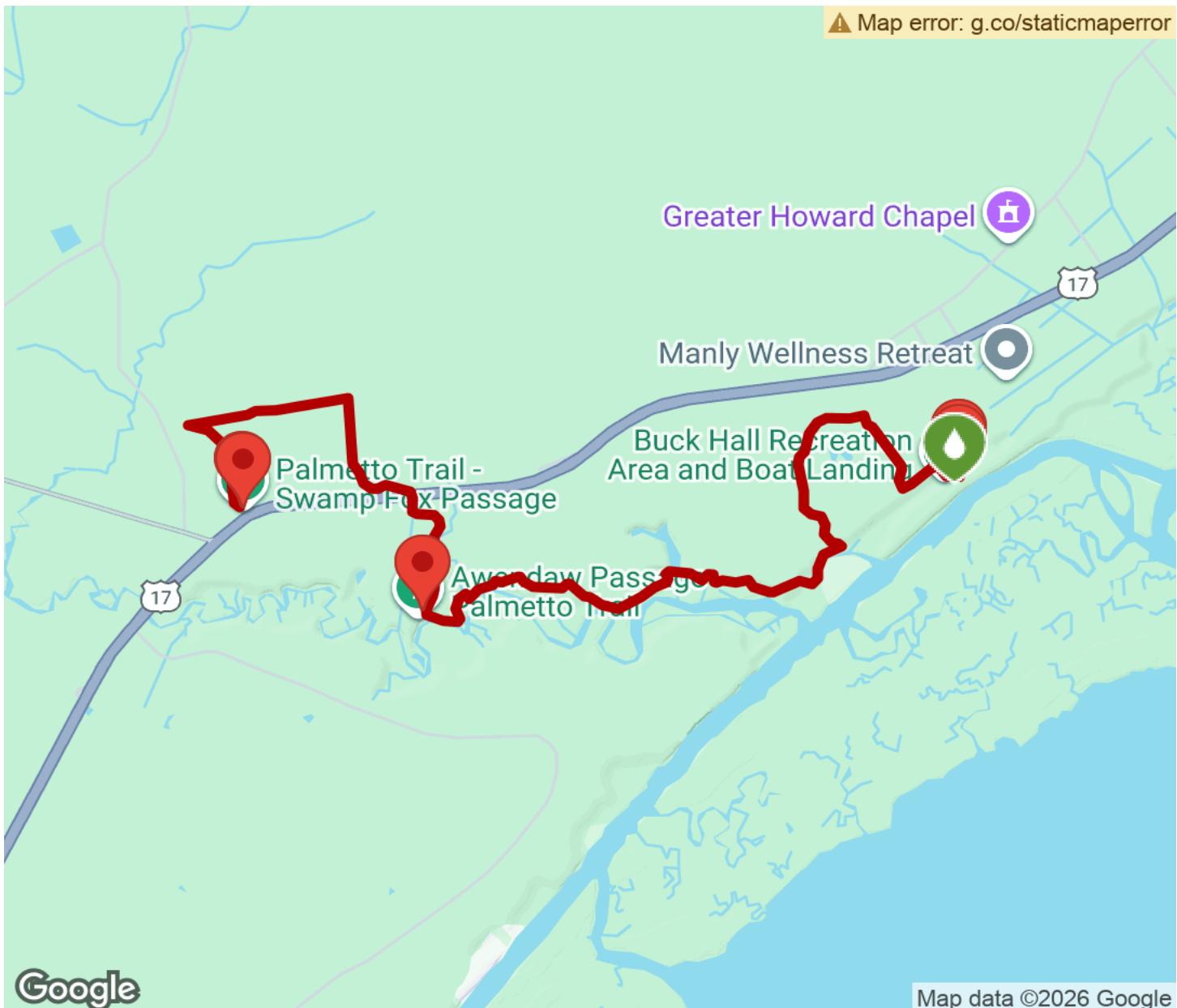
NOTE: Parking in the Buck Hall Recreation Area, where the trail is situated, costs \$5 a day.

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for more detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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