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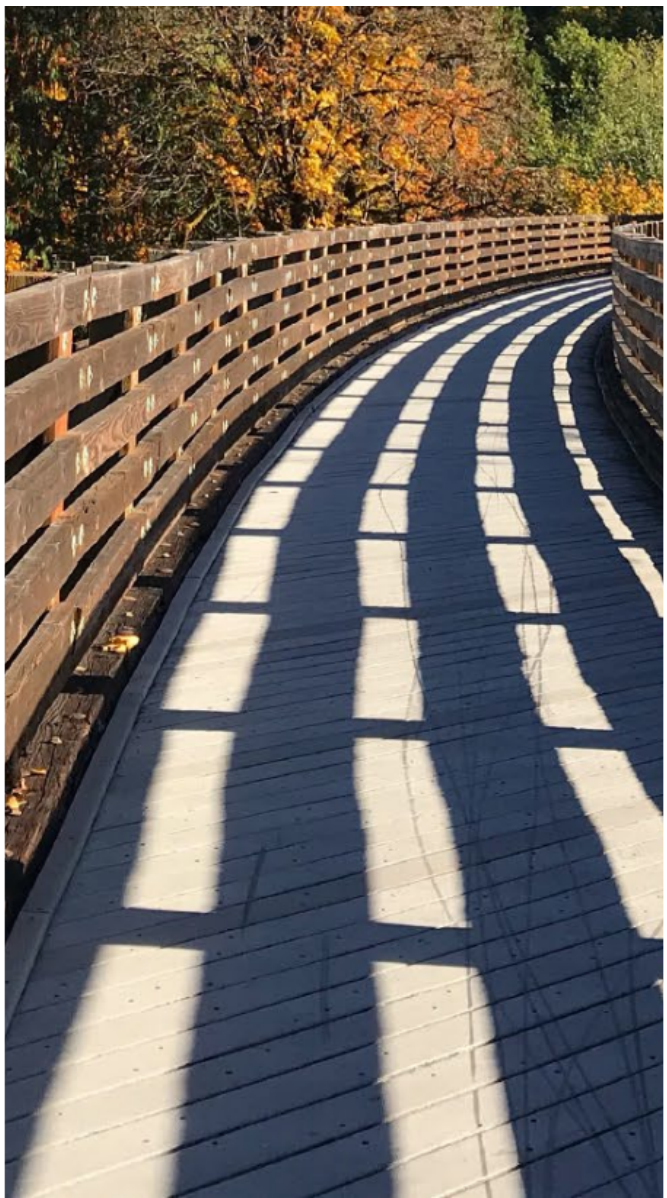
Guides



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About the Route

Along the way, the trail passes through Pease Park and Duncan Park, offering natural beauty and abundant recreational opportunities. A highlight of the journey is the passage through a small rocky canyon near the trail's northern end.

Connections

At its southern end—on the banks of the Colorado River - trail users can extend their journey another few miles on the Lance Armstrong Bikeway.

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States: Texas
Counties: Travis
Length: 3.7miles
Trail end points: W 35th St. (Austin) to 707 W Cesar Chavez St. (Austin)
Trail surfaces: Concrete,Dirt,Gravel
Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT
Trail activities: Bike,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Shoal Creek Trail runs between W 35th St. (Austin) and 707 W Cesar Chavez St. (Austin).

Abundant off-street parking opportunities can be found near the trail's northern end in downtown Austin.

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

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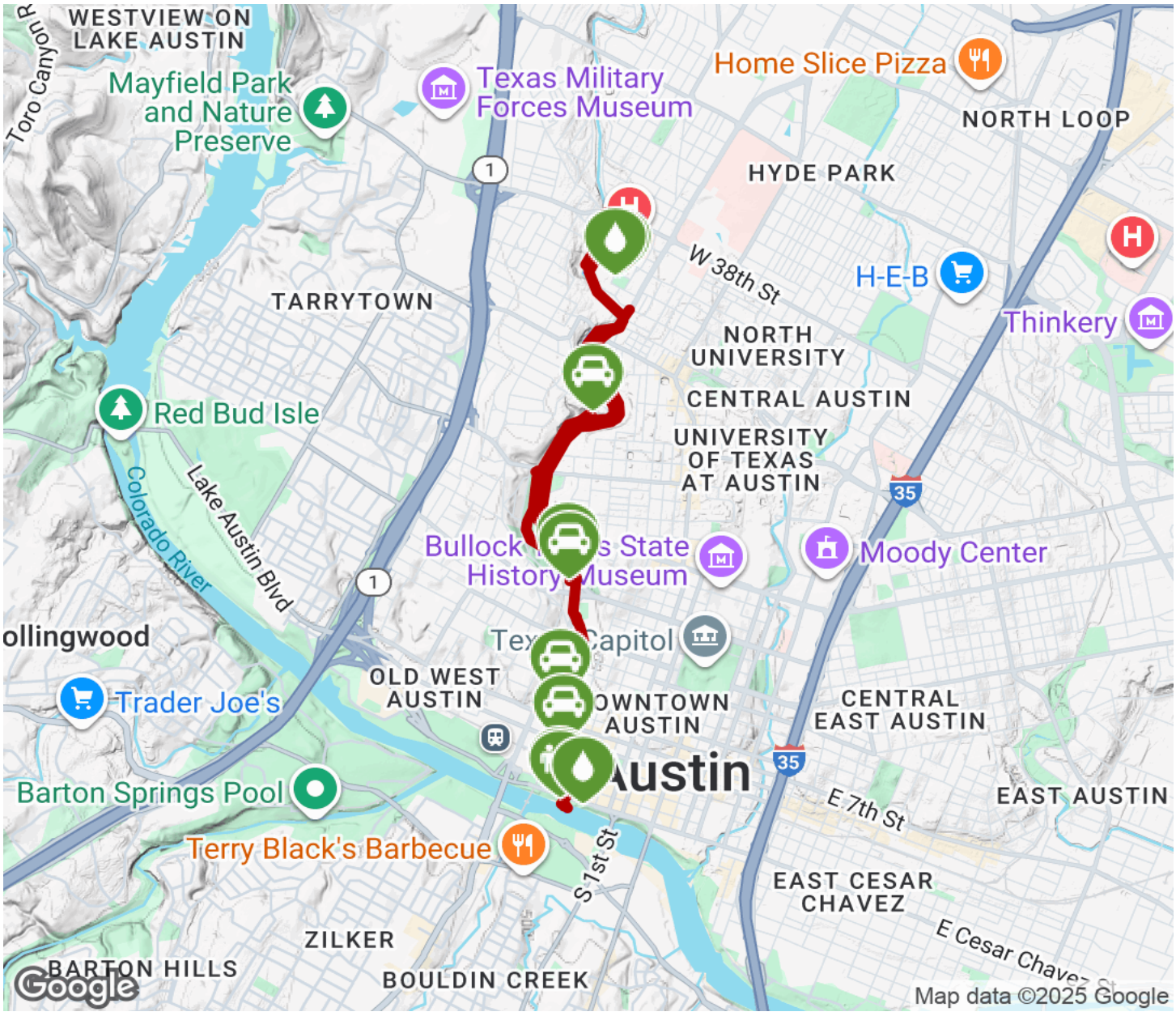

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