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(ND)**

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The trail begins on the outskirts of Minot and travels north for 10 miles along the former Tatman Branch Line right-of-way, named for the Tatman township and constructed in 1957 to serve the Minot Air Force Base. The line was abandoned by BNSF in 1997, when it was purchased by Ward County. It remains unimproved with a gravel surface, but is open to the public. The path parallels 27th Street NE for most of its length, offering a straight, flat route through the countryside that ends at Minot Gate, the main entrance to the military base.



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**States:** North Dakota

**Counties:** Ward

Length: 10miles

**Trail end points:** 46th Avenue NE at 27th Street  
NE to US 83 at Minot Gate, Minot Air Force Base

**Trail surfaces:** Gravel

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Horseback

Riding, Snowmobiling, Walking, Cross Country

Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

There is currently no designated parking for this trail.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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