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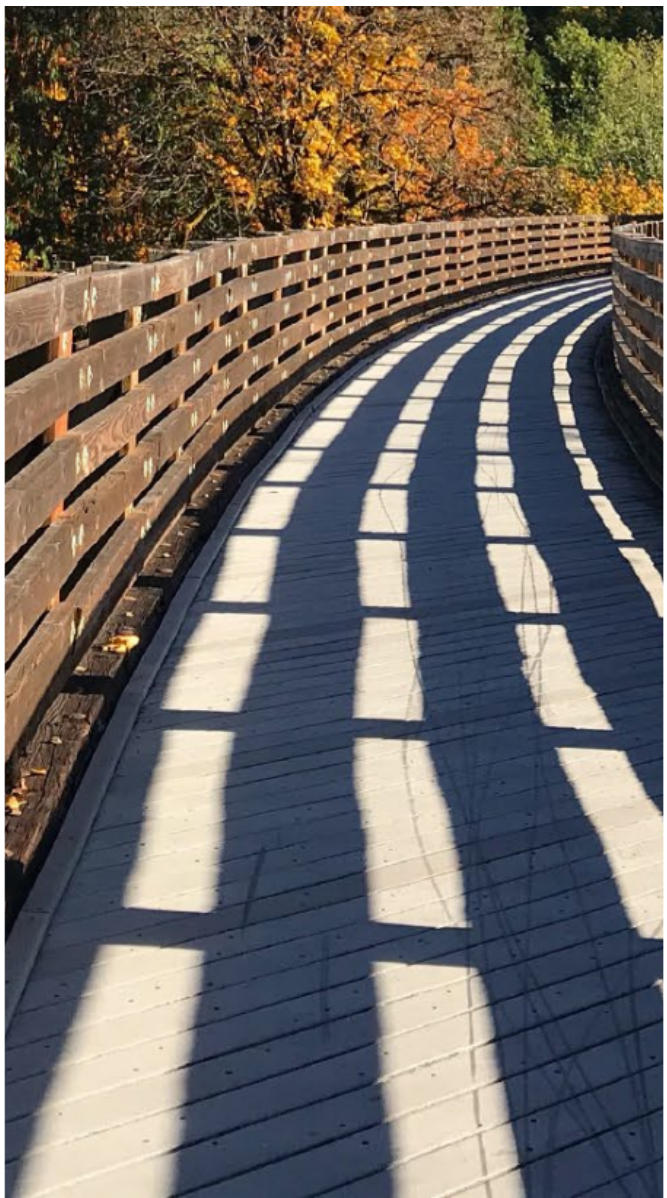

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On the northern end, a short on-road connection provides a useful link with the MetroBikeLink Trail, a 14-mile rail-with-trail pathway that spans the heart of the county from Scott Air Force Base to Fairview Heights. For those looking for a quieter, more scenic option, however, the Orchard Loop Trail and its farmland views can't be beat.

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States: Illinois
Counties: St. Clair
Length: 4miles
Trail end points: MetroBikeLink Trail (Fox Valley Lane) to Golf Course Dr. (Orchards Pool)
Trail surfaces: Asphalt
Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT
Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

A trailhead with parking is available at the Eckert's lot, located at 951 S Green Mount Road outside Belleville. Additional parking is available off the eastern end of the trail at the Orchards Golf Course, located at 1499 Golf Course Drive.

Trail access is also available from the connecting MetroBikeLink Trail and the adjacent MetroLink Red Line, with the Orchard Loop Trail junction located halfway between the Belleville and College MetroLink Stations.

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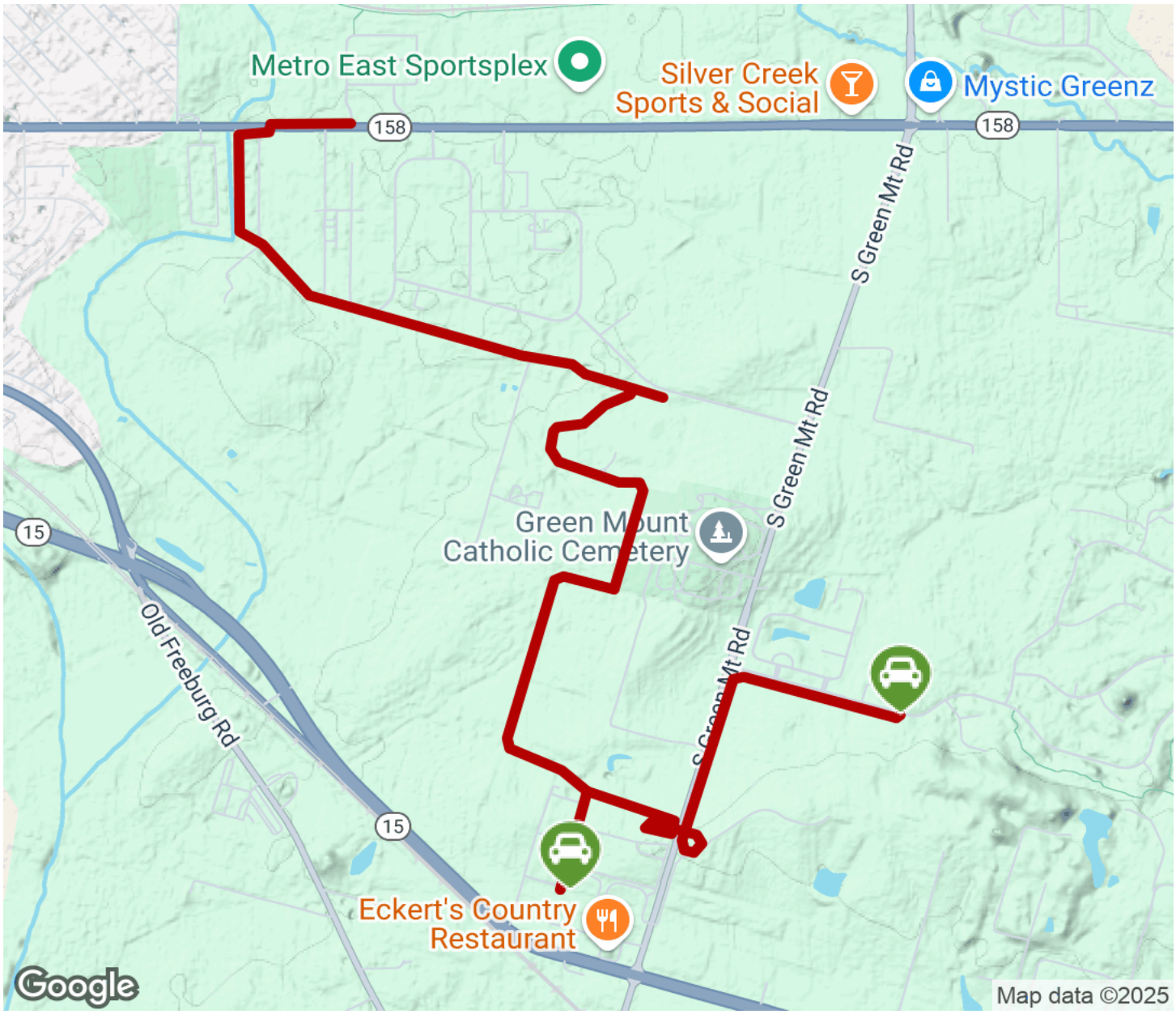

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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