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Guides



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Path**
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The route is lined with trees, though the southern-most section (east of Central Avenue) travels through a commercial and industrial area. Benches along the pathway, as well as picnic tables and benches in the parks, provide ample opportunities to rest and enjoy the scenery.



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States: Illinois

Counties: Winnebago

Length: 2.7miles

Trail end points: Safford Rd. to Lee St.

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Walking

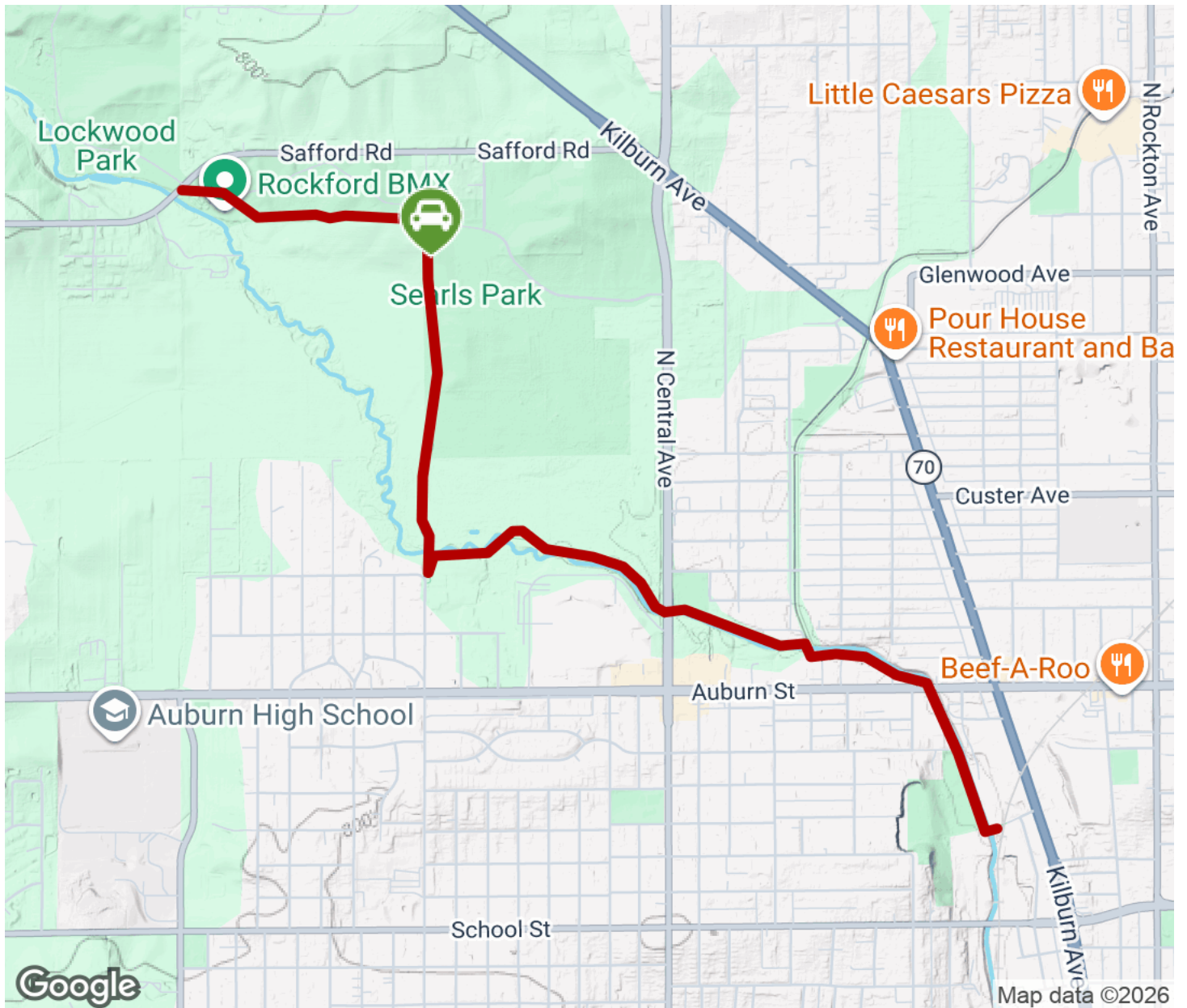
Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the trail's northern end in Searls Park, 4950 Safford Rd. and at its southern end in Talcott-Page Park, 1010 Arthur Ave. Both parks also offer drinking water and toilet facilities during the warmer months. Mid-trail, there is parking at the Northwest Community Center, 1325 N. Johnston Ave.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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