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Guides



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Trail**  
*Minnesota*



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**States:** Minnesota

**Counties:** Blue Earth

Length: 8.3miles

**Trail end points:** County Road 69 (Gadwall Road) to State Route 22 and County Road 90

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Inline

Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

## Parking & Trail Access

Parking can be found within Minneopa State Park (54497 Gadwall Road) on the western end of the trail.



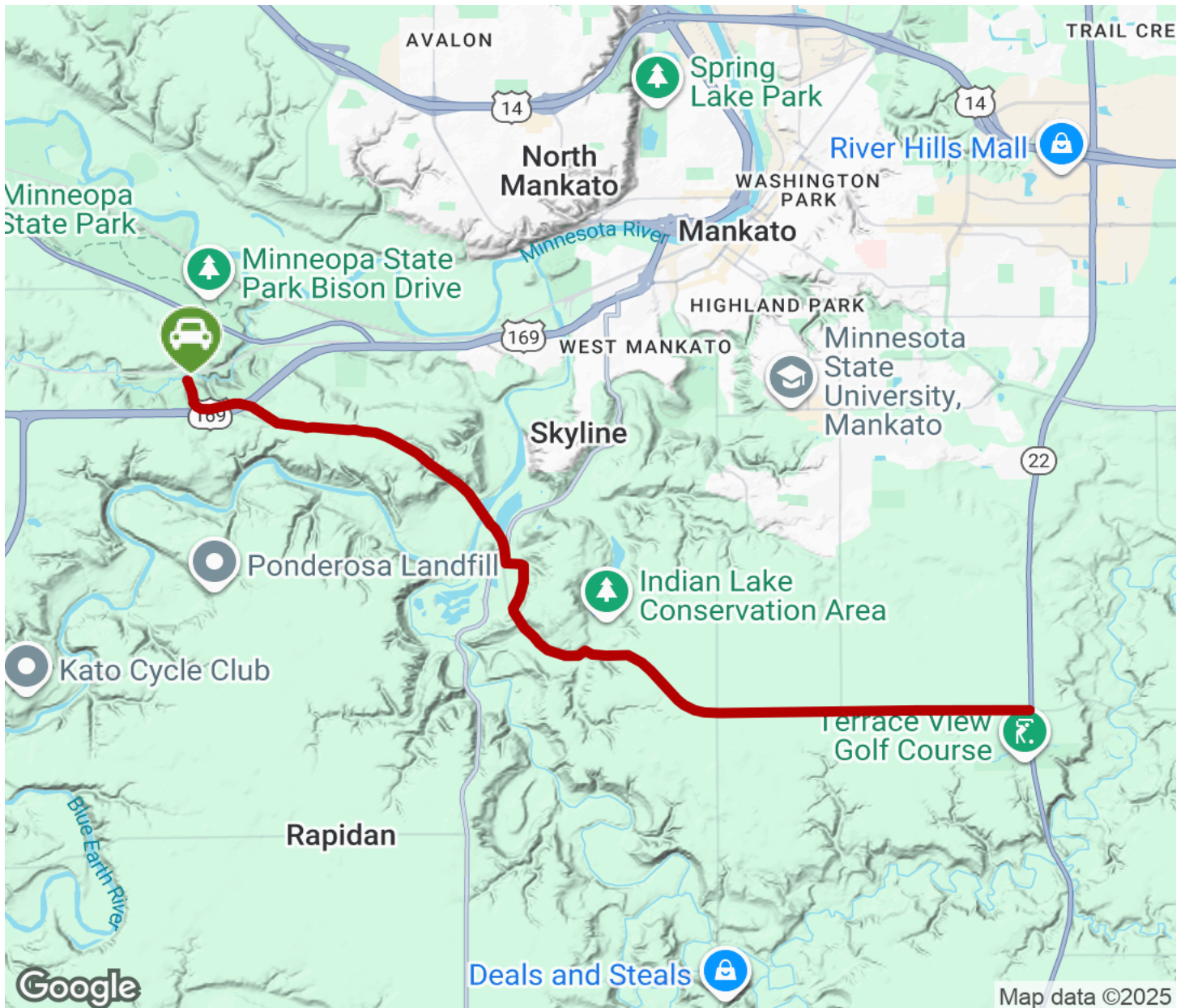
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# South Route Trail

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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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