



2025

TrailLink Unlimited 

Guides



**Johnson Lake
Hike and Bike
Trail**
Nebraska



Johnson Lake Hike and Bike Trail

Nebraska

The Johnson Lake Hike and Bike Trail is a 10-mile loop around a popular recreational lake in central Nebraska located about 10



including boating, sailing, water skiing, fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing, golfing and camping.

The Johnson Lake Hike and Bike Trail is a 10-mile loop around a popular recreational lake in central Nebraska located about 10 miles south of Lexington. The project is nearly complete with 8.3 miles of paved off-road trail currently available around the shoreline. Two miles of well-marked, shared roadway connect the trail segments.

The trail is complemented with 3 gazebos, 12 rest areas, 3 trailhead signs, and 8 parking areas. A new dedicated pedestrian/bicycle bridge over the outlet canal was opened in the spring of 2016. The trail passes through wooded areas, open grasslands, and farm fields, crosses the Johnson Lake Dam, and connects eating establishments located around the lake.

A variety of activities are available on and around the lake,



TrailLink
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

TrailLink.com



Johnson Lake Hike and Bike Trail

Nebraska

States: Nebraska

Counties: Dawson, Gosper

Length: 10.3 miles

Trail end points: Johnson Lake Drive and Bullhead Expressway to State campground on Johnson Lake Drive north of Mallard Cove

Trail surfaces: Concrete

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Fishing, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross Country Skiing

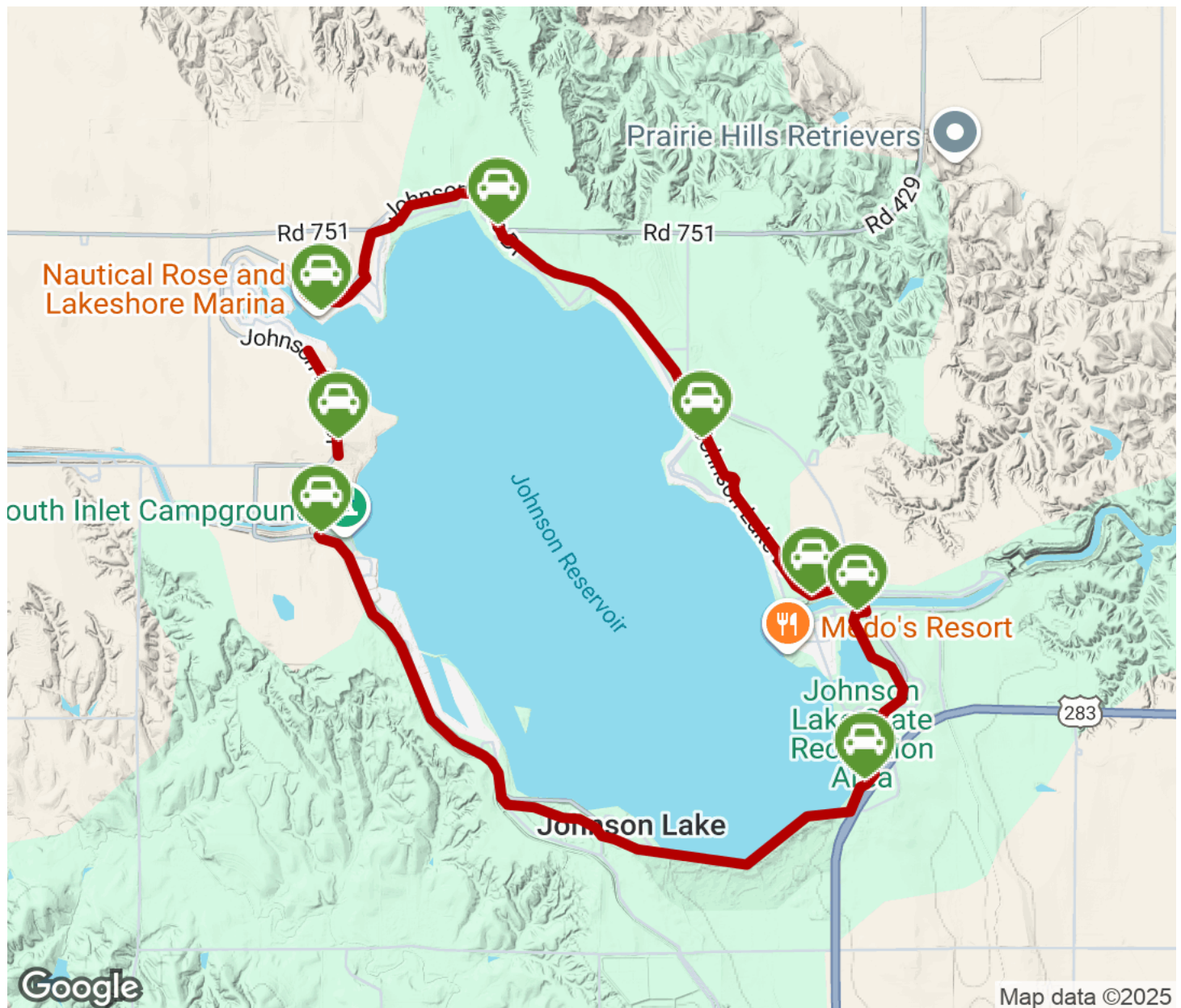
Parking & Trail Access

From I-80, exit 237 (Lexington): Follow Highway 283 (Plum Creek Parkway) south for 7 miles to Johnson Lake Drive. Johnson Lake Drive is a paved road that circles the lake and provides trail access points every few miles. Handicapped-access parking areas are located at the intersection of Johnson Lake Drive and Bullhead Expressway on the east side of the lake and at the intersection of Johnson Lake Drive and Drive 18A on the west side of the lake.



Johnson Lake Hike and Bike Trail

Nebraska



Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



TrailLink
by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

TrailLink.com