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Guides



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States: North Carolina

Counties: Johnston

Length: 2.6miles

Trail end points: Legend Park to Clayton River
Walk

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Boardwalk

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Mountain Biking, Inline
Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The trailhead offers a gravel parking lot and is located on the western end of the trail on North O'Neill Street. You can also park at Legend Park (550 City Rd, Clayton, NC).



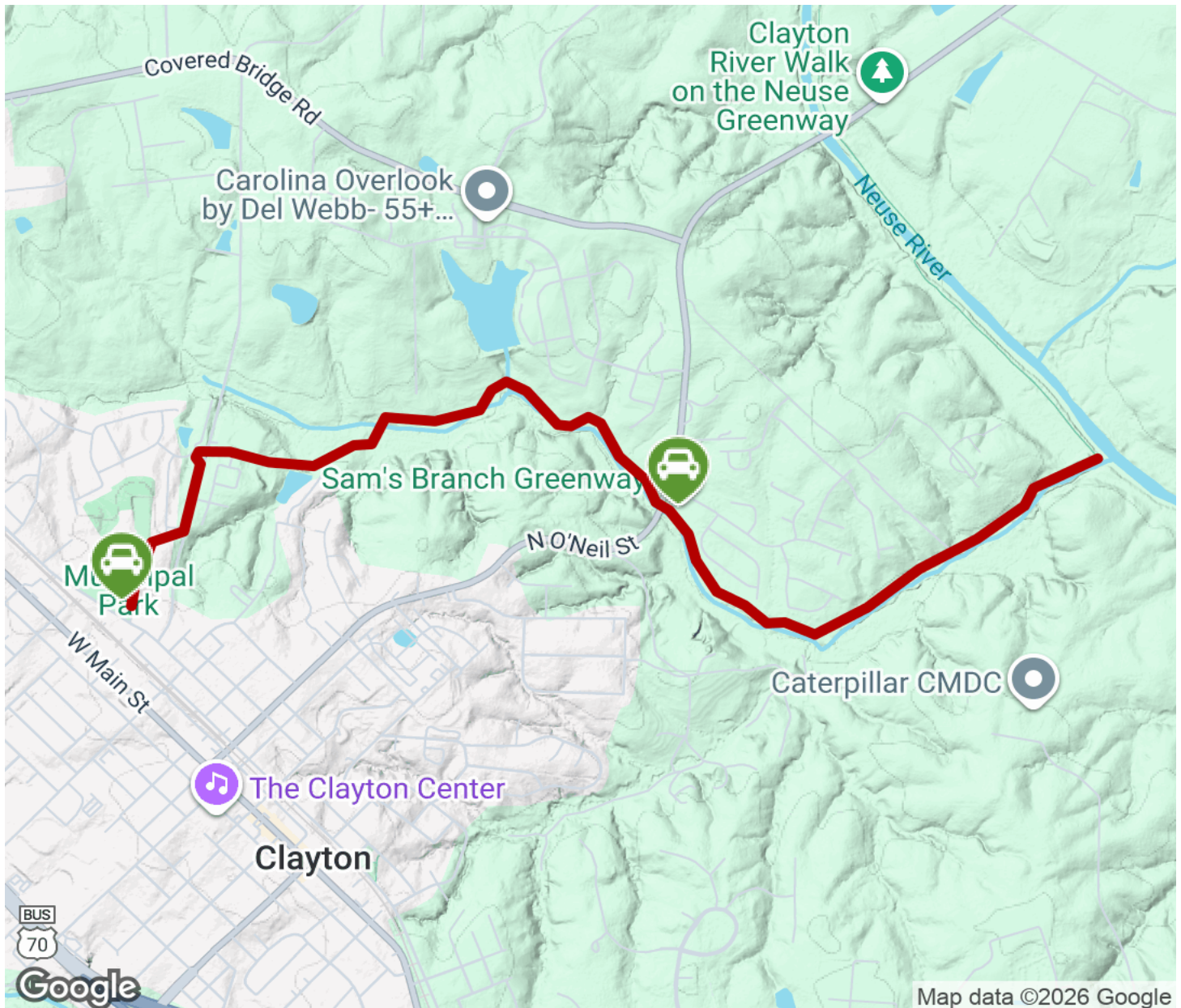
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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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