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Citronelle Walking Trail *Alabama*



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The Mobile and Ohio Railroad originally provided rail service to Citronelle, and in the early 20th century, the succeeding Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad ran the popular Gulf Coast Rebel passenger train through the city. The Citronelle Depot, built in 1903, has been restored and



is now home to the Citronelle Depot Museum, which features free exhibits on the local history. The station can be found directly adjacent to the Citronelle Walking Trail on S. Center Street.

The trail itself runs on the former rail corridor between Main Street and Center Street through Citronelle. The path is lined with trees and illuminated by historically appropriate gas lights. The trail is one of several in the United States to have been designated a National Recreation Trail by the federal government.





States: Alabama Counties: Mobile Length: 2miles Trail end points: State St. between S. Main St. and Center St. to south of Emerson Dr. between 3rd St./US 45 and Celeste Rd. Trail surfaces: Asphalt Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

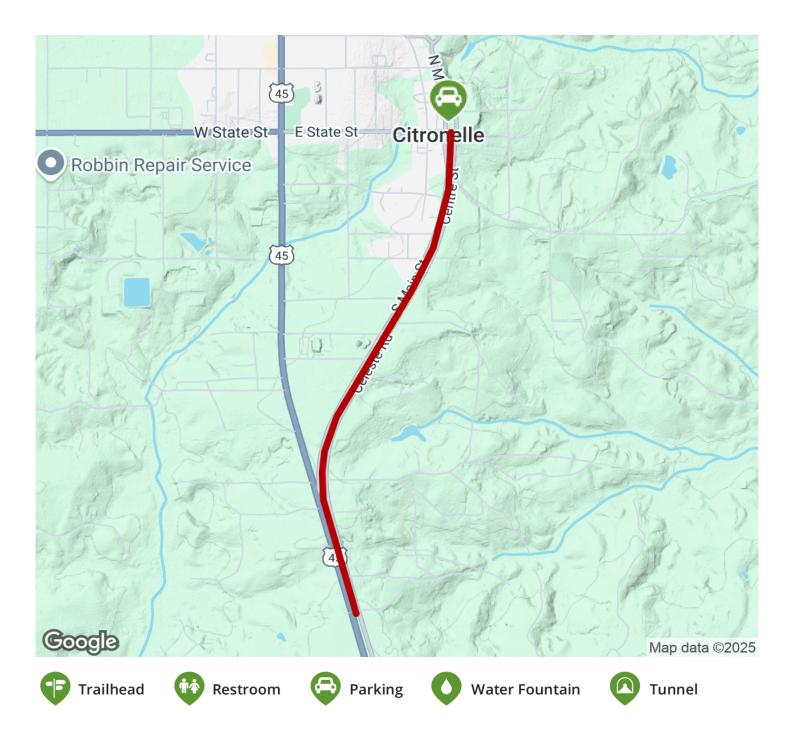
Parking & Trail Access

Parking for the Citronelle Walking Trail is available at the Citronelle Depot Museum. The former railroad station is located at the intersection of S. Center Street and Irwin Street.



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