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Guides



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**States:** Minnesota

**Counties:** Hennepin

Length: 20miles

**Trail end points:** Elm Creek Park Reserve to  
Elm Creek Park Reserve

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

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

**Trail activities:** Bike, Wheelchair  
Accessible, Walking

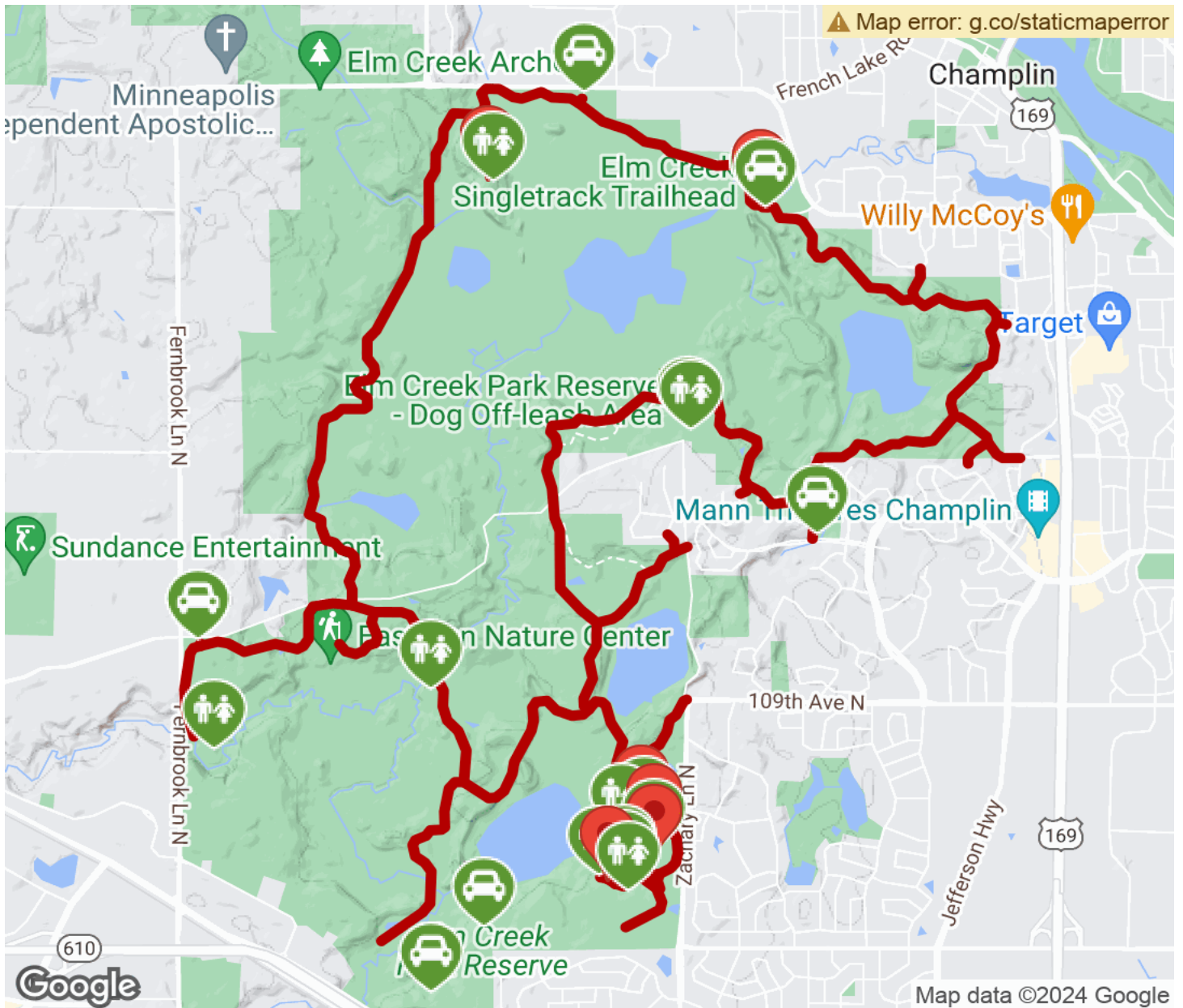
## Parking & Trail Access

The main Elm Creek park entrance (12400 James Deane Parkway, Maple Grove) is to the south. An alternative is the entrance to the Eastman Nature Center to the west, which is more popular with cyclists as an access point to the trails.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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