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Guides



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southeast through Mercer and east towards Manitowish Waters. A hallmark of the trail is the impressive 40-ft bridge was constructed over the Manitowish River.

The eastern end of the trail connects with the [Manitowish Waters Bike Trail](#) along two different endpoints, the first along Tower Rd. along the main strip of Manitowish Waters, which connects users to the rest of the Heart of Vilas Bike Trail and the second located near the Manitowish Waters Town Hall, where the western endpoint of the Manitowish Waters Bike Trail is located.

[Manitowish Waters Bike Trail](#) (18.6 miles)

[Crystal Lake Trail](#) (11 miles)

[Plum Lake Trail](#) (5 miles)

[St. Germain Hike & Bike Trail](#) (12 miles)

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The trail spans the towns of Mercer, Manitowish Waters, Boulder Junction, Sayner and St. Germain and is made up of five distinct trail sections, listed (west-east) below:

[Mercer Hike and Bike Trail](#) (9 miles):

Mercer, a outdoors-lovers destination famous its 378,000 acres of Public Forestland and the massive Turtle Flambeau Flowage, is a great starting point for the Heart of Vilas Bike Trail. The northernmost endpoint of the trail is located near Carow Park, where the trail then continues



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States: Wisconsin

Counties: Iron

Length: 9miles

Trail end points: Carow Park (Mercer) to 160
County Hwy W (Manitowish Waters)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Mountain Biking, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

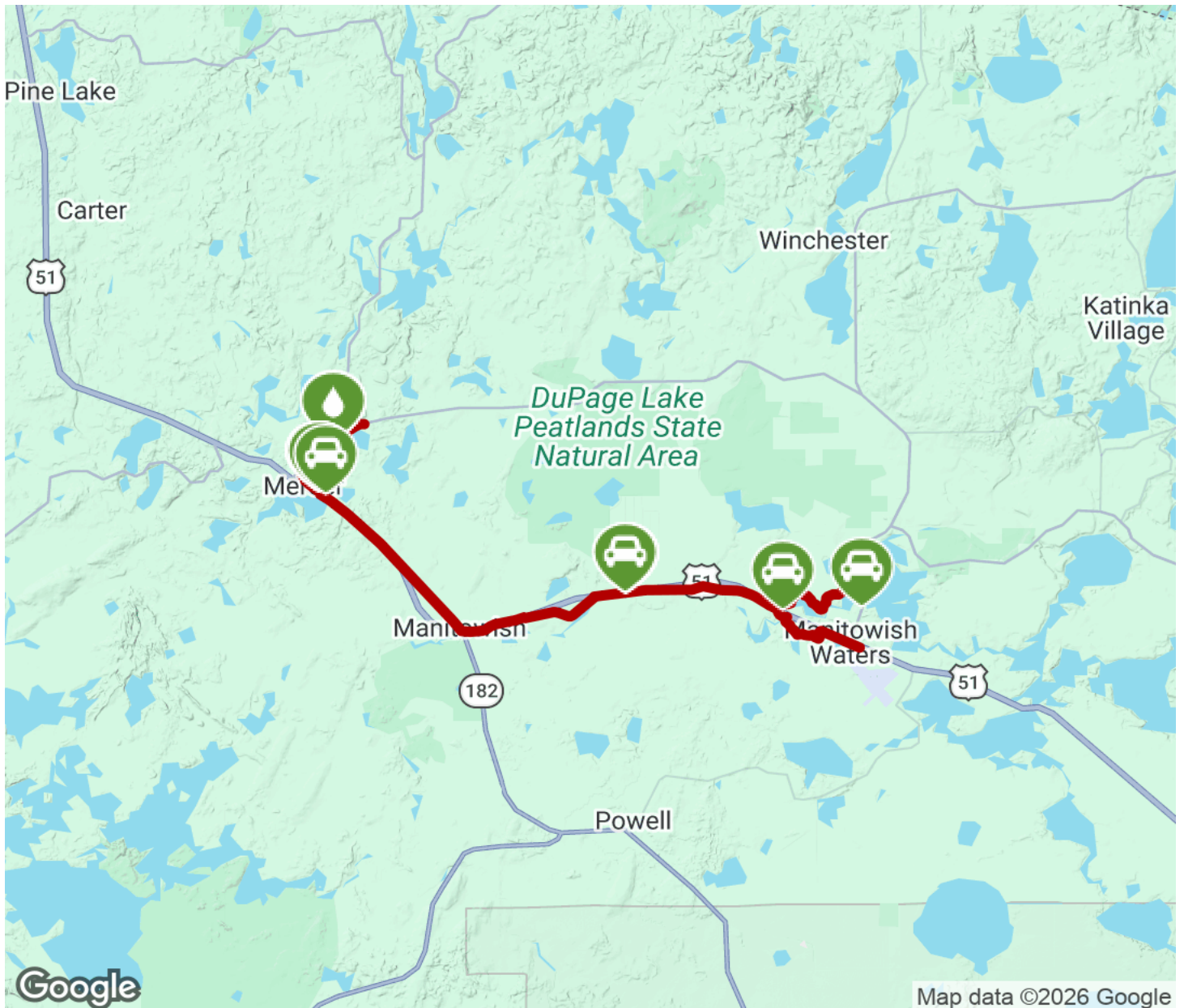
Parking is available at a number of locations including at the eastern endpoint at Koller Memorial Park, 6011 County Hwy W, and at the western endpoint at Carrow Park.

See [TrailLink Map](#) for more detailed information and all parking options.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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