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Guides



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Greenway**  
*North Carolina*



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Along the trail are benches and picnic tables where you can stop and take in the scenic river views. Canoe, kayak and tube launch stations can be found at multiple points of the riverbank. Fishing is also a great way to pass time



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**States:** North Carolina

**Counties:** Surry

Length: 2.2miles

**Trail end points:** Riverside Park to Tharrington Park

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Crushed Stone

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

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

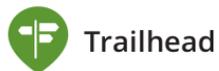
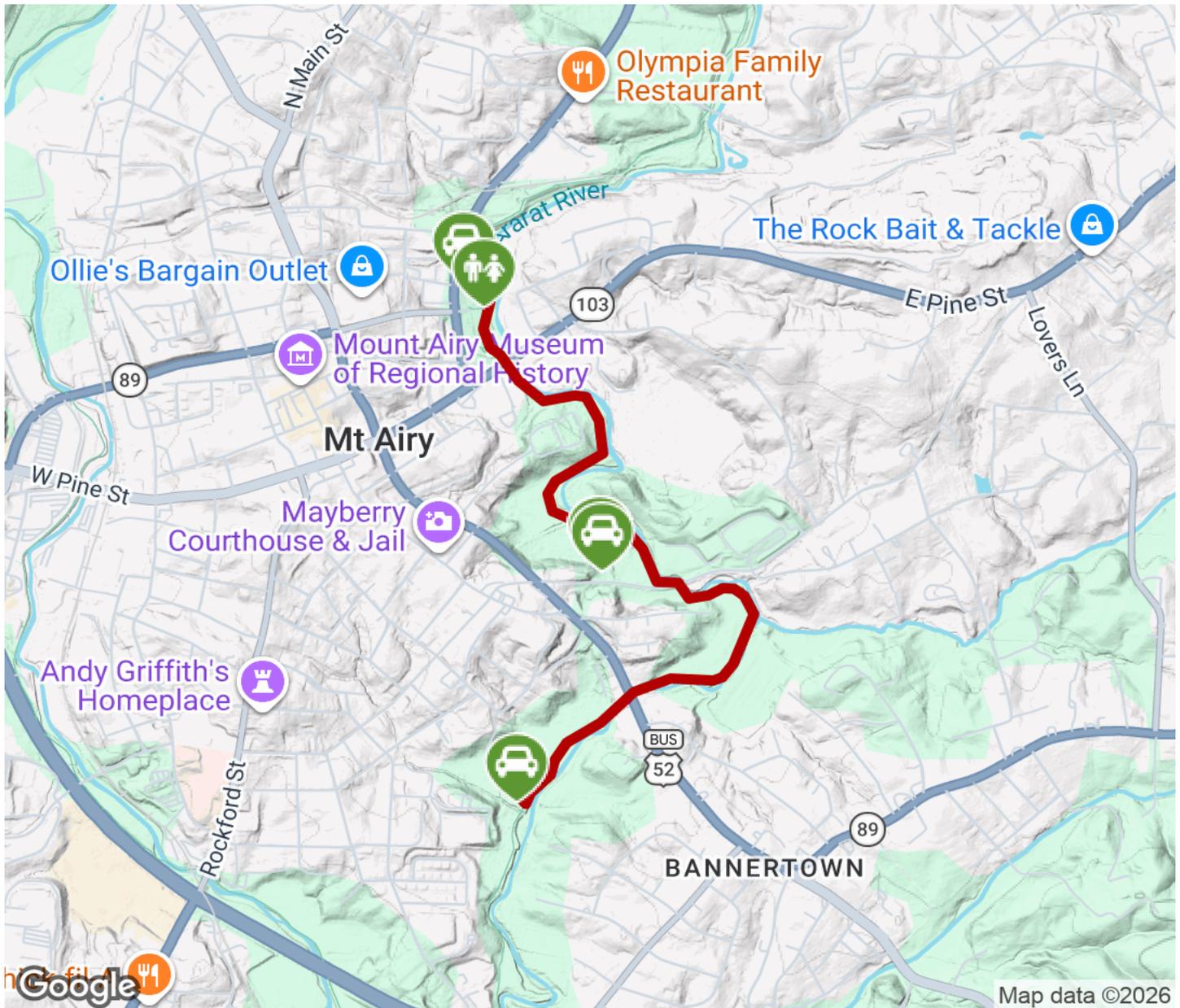
## Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at Riverside Park (350 Riverside Dr), alongside other amenities including playground, a skatepark, a soccer field, canoe launch and restrooms. You can also park at Tharrington Park (1501 W Wensley Dr).



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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