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Guides



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Suitable for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding, the single-track dirt pathway connects to a trail at either end: Cottonwood Creek Trail (another natural-surface path) to the north and the 40-mile, Denver-bound [Cherry Creek Regional Trail](#) to the south. The [Piney Creek Trail](#), a paved 10-mile route, is also close to the rail-trail's southern end.



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States: Colorado

Counties: Arapahoe

Length: 2.1miles

Trail end points: Cottonwood Creek Trail to
Cherry Creek Regional Trail

Trail surfaces: Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Horseback Riding, Mountain
Biking, Walking

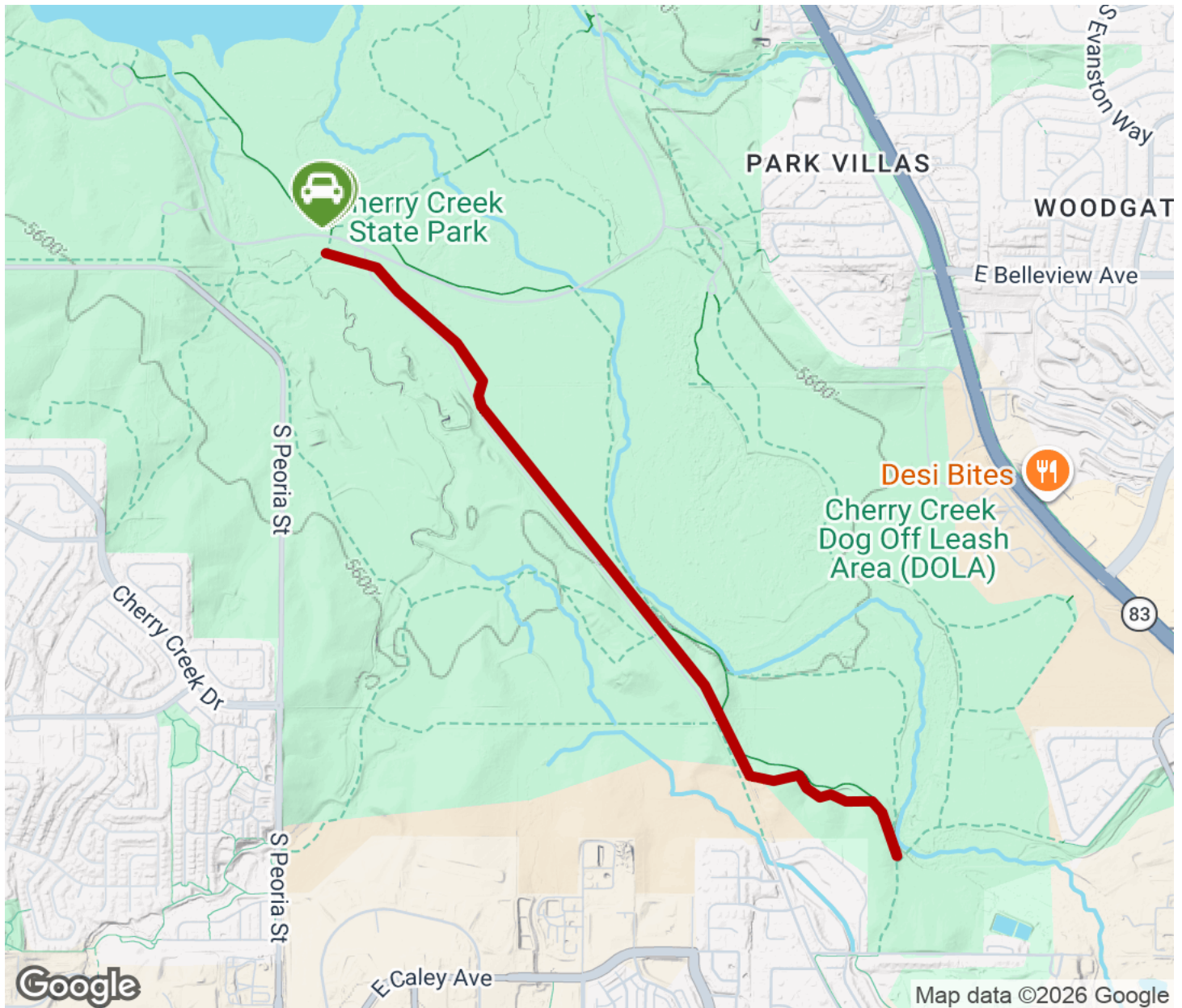
Parking & Trail Access

Parking can be found within Cherry Creek State Park (4201 S. Parker Rd., Aurora). The closet parking lot is at the trailhead for the Cottonwood Creek Trail, off W. Lake View Road. Cross the street and head south a short distance to reach the start of the Railroad Bed Trail on your left.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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