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Guides



## Park to Park Trail

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recreation opportunities, giving cyclists and joggers a quality pathway to get in some miles, and providing some lovely views of the surrounding Iowa farmland.

The trail does require a couple quick jogs along the sides of the road to connect short gaps, so exercise caution as you proceed on your journey. Within the state park, the trail leads into the trail system that spans the perimeter of Green Valley Lake - to the east of the trail's end along 140th Street, the [Green Valley Lake Trail](#) begins as a paved trail, with additional paved segments in the works.

So named because it travels between McKinley Park in Creston and Green Valley State Park to the north of town, the Park to Park Trail provides over four miles of paved, multi-use trail to help connect these fantastic recreation amenities in this rural part of Iowa. The trail is a mix of asphalt and concrete, and is mostly flat with very little shade, so be sure to bring some sunscreen or wait for a cloudy day.

McKinley Park is situated around Lake McKinley, a popular local fishing spot; the park offers a whole host of outdoor activities, with picnic areas, playgrounds, and a number of athletic facilities. At the other end of the trail, Green Valley State Park is also a popular regional destination for camping, picnicking, and fishing. And of course, the Park to Park Trail itself offers a number of



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**States:** Iowa

**Counties:** Union

Length: 4.4 miles

**Trail end points:** McKinley Park (Creston) to  
Green Valley State Park (140th Street)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Concrete

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

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline  
Skating, Fishing, Walking

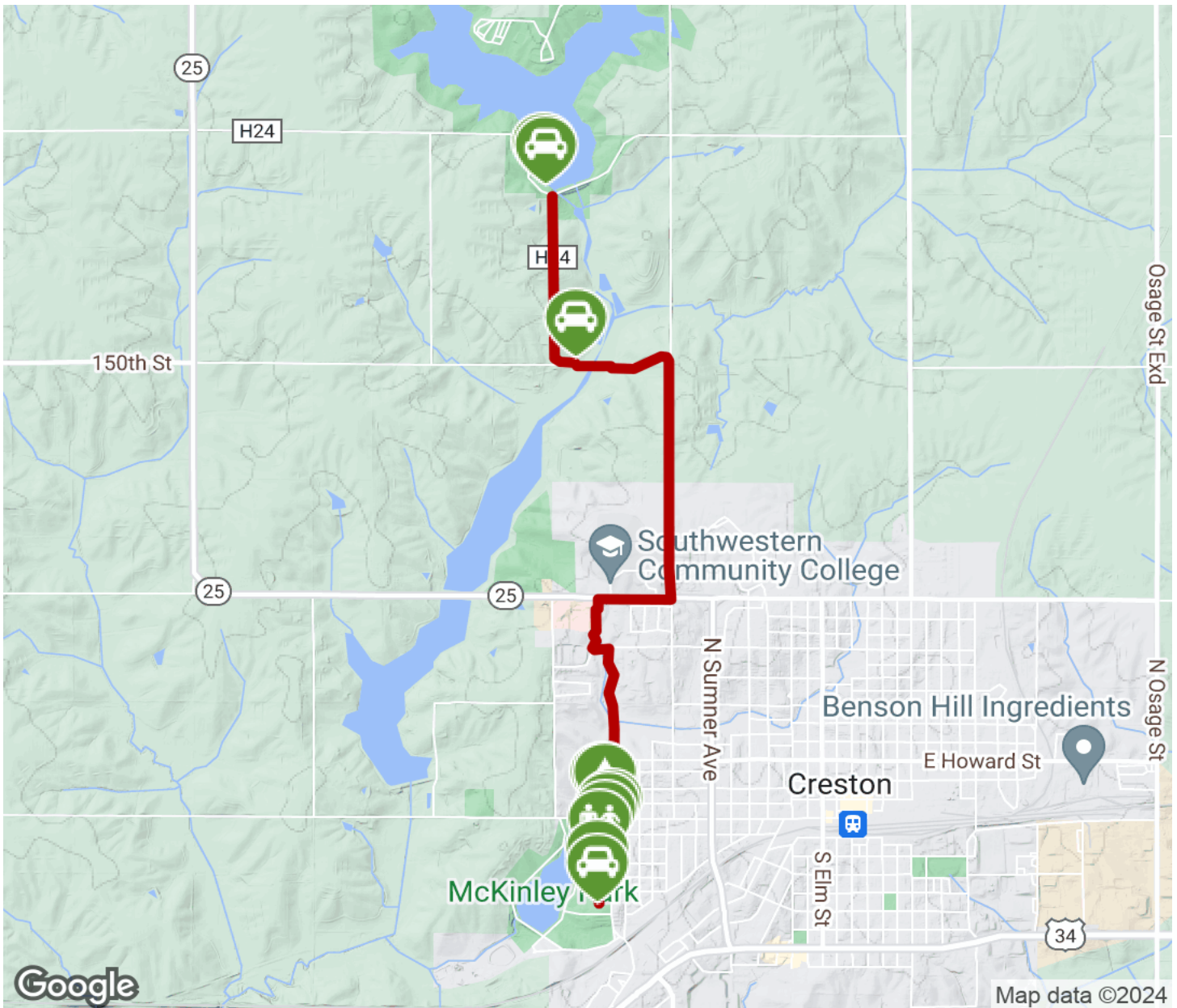
## Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the southern of the trail, at McKinley Park in Creston (located between Lake Shore Drive and McKinley Street south of W Adams Street). Trail users can also park in Green Valley State Park, although no parking is available in the immediate vicinity of the trailhead.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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