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mile multiuse path that links the Aldi/CVS plaza to Performance Drive. Running along Kocher Drive, the pathway connects to the East Road Pathway which continues north past Willow Park. The park has a playground, multiuse paths, picnic areas, sports fields, tennis courts, a disc golf course, and a BMX track. Other nearby trails include the Ninja Trail and the Orchard Village/Willowbrook Pathway, a 480-foot pathway with hard-packed gravel surface and two sections of boardwalk that offers an alternative to the busy Orchard Road.

The paved section of the Bennington Rail Trail is smooth and flat. Dogs are welcome as long as they are on a leash and their humans clean up after them. When cycling, pass pedestrians slowly and be considerate. Class 1, 2 and 3 electric bicycles are allowed on the trail.

Running between downtown Bennington and the Northside Drive neighborhoods, the Bennington Rail Trail provides new opportunities for both recreation and active transportation. Following a former railroad corridor, the trail crosses the Walloomsac River and is shaded by trees. During the warmer months, enjoy swimming or fishing in the Walloomsac River.

The trail's southern endpoint is at the western end of the Walloomsac Pathway, by the public parking area on Depot Street. Heading north from downtown Bennington, the rail-trail is paved to the intersection with Orchard Road off of Northside Drive. It continues with a packed gravel surface for about half a mile to just north of Emma Street.

The trail connects with the Kocher Drive Pathway, a 0.3-



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**States:** Vermont

**Counties:** Bennington

Length: 1.65miles

**Trail end points:** Emma St (North Bennington)  
to Depot Street & west end of the Walloomsac  
Pathway

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt,Crushed Stone,Gravel

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

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

## Parking & Trail Access

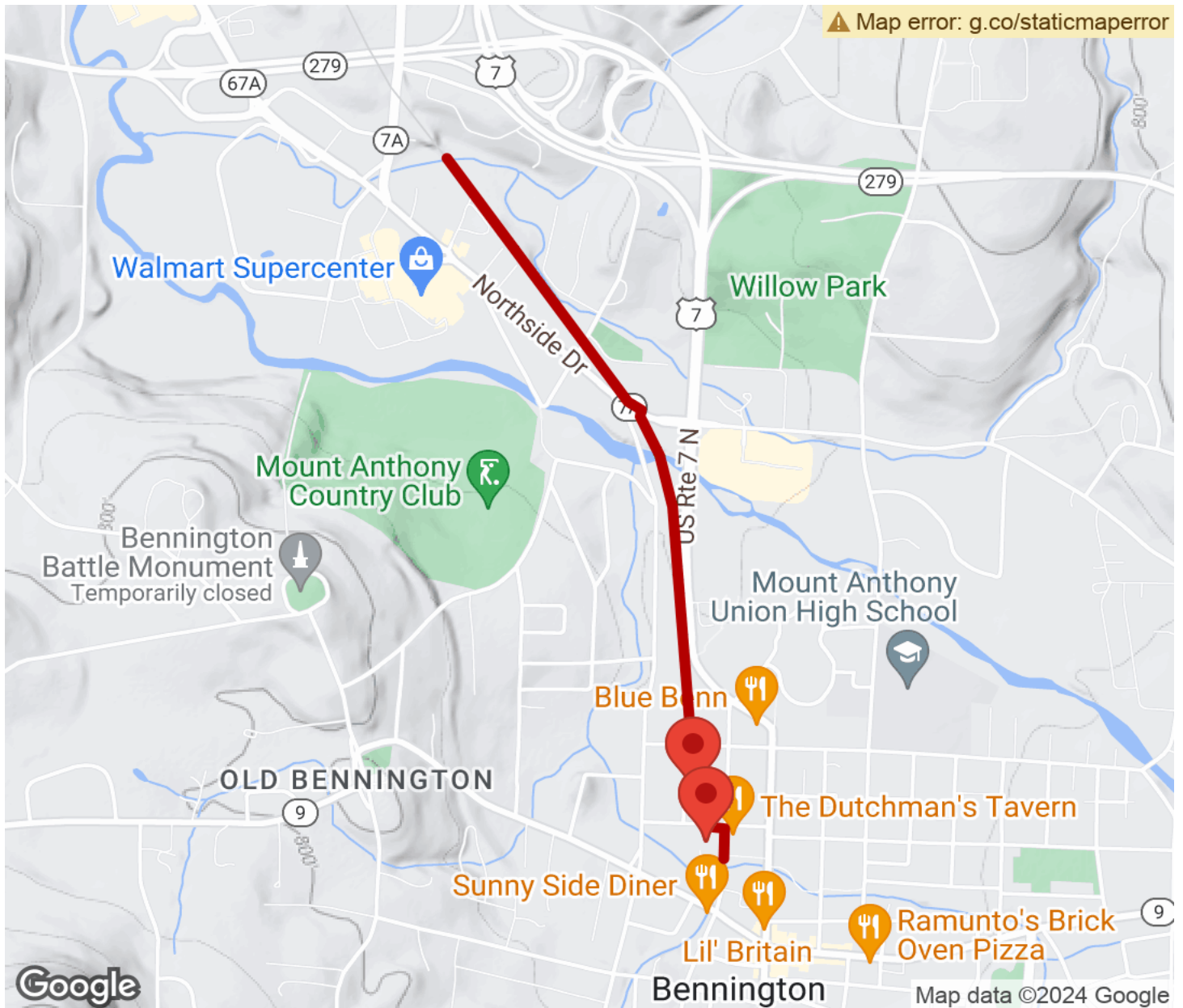
The Green Mountain Express bus system provides easy access to the trail. The River Street Fire House bus stop is located next to the trail's southern endpoint. The Walmart bus stop is about a quarter mile from the Emma Street entrance to the trail. Visit the [Green Mountain Express website](#) for more information.

Parking is available in the lot at the trail's southern end in downtown Bennington and at Willow Park. View the TrailLink map for detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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